

Study Guide and Intervention

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Comparing and Ordering Rational Numbers

When comparing two or more rational numbers, either write the numbers as fractions with the same denominator or write the numbers as decimals.

Example 1 Replace \bullet with $<$, $>$, or $=$ to make $\frac{4}{5} \bullet \frac{7}{10}$ a true sentence.

Write as fractions with the same denominator. The least common denominator is 10.

$$\frac{4}{5} = \frac{4 \cdot 2}{5 \cdot 2} \text{ or } \frac{8}{10}$$

$$\frac{7}{10} = \frac{7 \cdot 1}{10 \cdot 1} \text{ or } \frac{7}{10}$$

$$\text{Since } \frac{8}{10} > \frac{7}{10}, \frac{4}{5} > \frac{7}{10}.$$

Example 2 Order the set of rational numbers -3.25 , $-3\frac{1}{3}$, $-3\frac{2}{5}$, and $-3.2\bar{5}$ from least to greatest.

Write $-3\frac{1}{3}$ and $-3\frac{2}{5}$ as decimals.

$$\frac{1}{3} = 0.\bar{3}, \text{ so } -3\frac{1}{3} = -3.\bar{3}.$$

$$\frac{2}{5} = 0.4, \text{ so } -3\frac{2}{5} = -3.4.$$

Since $-3.4 < -3.\bar{3} < -3.2\bar{5} < -3.25$, the numbers from least to greatest are $-3\frac{2}{5}$, $-3\frac{1}{3}$, $-3.2\bar{5}$, and -3.25 .

Exercises

Replace each \bullet with $<$, $>$, or $=$ to make a true sentence.

$$1. \frac{5}{6} \bullet \frac{2}{3} >$$

$$2. \frac{4}{5} \bullet \frac{13}{15} <$$

$$3. \frac{1}{9} \bullet \frac{1}{8} <$$

$$4. -\frac{2}{3} \bullet -\frac{7}{10} >$$

$$5. 3\frac{7}{10} \bullet 3\frac{4}{5} <$$

$$6. -2\frac{3}{7} \bullet -2\frac{4}{9} >$$

$$7. 2.6 \bullet 2\frac{5}{8} <$$

$$8. 4\frac{1}{6} \bullet 4.1\bar{6} =$$

$$9. -4.5\bar{8} \bullet -4.5\bar{8} <$$

Order each set of rational numbers from least to greatest.

$$10. 0.5, 0.1, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{2}{3}$$

$$0.1, \frac{1}{4}, 0.5, \frac{2}{3}$$

$$12. \frac{1}{5}, -0.7, 0.25, -\frac{3}{5}$$

$$-0.7, -\frac{3}{5}, \frac{1}{5}, 0.25$$

$$14. -2\frac{1}{4}, -2.28, -2.7, -2\frac{4}{5}$$

$$-2\frac{4}{5}, -2.7, -2.28, -2\frac{1}{4}$$

$$11. 2.4, 2\frac{4}{7}, 2.13, 1\frac{9}{10}$$

$$1\frac{9}{10}, 2.13, 2.4, 2\frac{4}{7}$$

$$13. 1\frac{2}{9}, 1\frac{2}{3}, 1.45, 1.67$$

$$1\frac{2}{9}, 1.45, 1\frac{2}{3}, 1.67$$

$$15. 4\frac{2}{3}, 4\frac{5}{6}, 4.6, 5.3$$

$$4.6, 4\frac{2}{3}, 4\frac{5}{6}, 5.3$$

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Scientific Notation

A number in scientific notation is written as the product of a factor and a power of ten.

Example 1 Write 8.65×10^7 in standard form.

$$8.65 \times 10^7 = 8.65 \times 10,000,000 \quad 10^7 = 10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 \cdot 10 \text{ or } 10,000,000$$

$$= \underline{86,500,000} \quad \text{Move the decimal point 7 places to the right.}$$

Example 2 Write 9.2×10^{-3} in standard form.

$$9.2 \times 10^{-3} = 9.2 \times \frac{1}{10^3} \quad 10^{-3} = \frac{1}{10^3}$$

$$= 9.2 \times 0.001 \quad \frac{1}{10^3} = \frac{1}{1,000} \text{ or } 0.001$$

$$= \underline{0.0092} \quad \text{Move the decimal point 3 places to the left.}$$

Example 3 Write 76,250 in scientific notation.

$$\underline{76,250} = 76.25 \times 10,000 \quad \text{The decimal point moves 4 places.}$$

$$= 7.625 \times 10^4 \quad \text{The exponent is positive.}$$

Example 4 Write 0.00157 in scientific notation.

$$\underline{0.00157} = 1.57 \times 0.001 \quad \text{The decimal point moves 3 places.}$$

$$= 1.57 \times 10^{-3} \quad \text{The exponent is negative.}$$

Exercises

Write each number in standard form.

1. 5.3×10^1 **53**

2. 9.4×10^3 **9,400**

3. 7.07×10^5 **707,000**

4. 2.6×10^{-3} **0.0026**

5. 8.651×10^{-2} **0.08651**

6. 6.7×10^{-6} **0.0000067**

Write each number in scientific notation.

7. 561 **5.61×10^2**

8. 14 **1.4×10^1**

9. 56,400,000 **5.64×10^7**

10. 0.752 **7.52×10^{-1}**

11. 0.0064 **6.4×10^{-3}**

12. 0.000581 **5.81×10^{-4}**

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Comparing Fractions, Decimals, and Percents

- To write a percent as a decimal, divide by 100 and remove the percent symbol.
- To write a decimal as a percent, multiply by 100 and add the percent symbol.
- To express a fraction as a percent, you can use a proportion. Alternatively, you can write the fraction as a decimal, and then express the decimal as a percent.

Example 1 Write 56% as a decimal.

$$56\% = \underbrace{56}_{100} \% \text{ Divide by 100 and remove the percent symbol.}$$

$$= 0.56$$

Example 2 Write 0.17 as a percent.

$$0.17 = \underbrace{0.17}_{100} \text{ Multiply by 100 and add the percent symbol.}$$

$$= 17\%$$

Example 3 Write $\frac{7}{20}$ as a percent.**Method 1** Use a proportion.

$$\frac{7}{20} = \frac{x}{100} \quad \text{Write the proportion.}$$

$$7 \cdot 100 = 20 \cdot x \quad \text{Find cross products.}$$

$$700 = 20x \quad \text{Multiply.}$$

$$\frac{700}{20} = \frac{20x}{20} \quad \text{Divide each side by 20.}$$

$$35 = x \quad \text{Simplify.}$$

Method 2 Write as a decimal.

$$\frac{7}{20} = \underbrace{0.35}_{100} \quad \text{Convert to a decimal by dividing.}$$

$$= 35\% \quad \text{Multiply by 100 and add the percent symbol.}$$

So, $\frac{7}{20}$ can be written as 35%.**Exercises****Write each percent as a decimal.**

1. 10% **0.1**

2. 36% **0.36**

3. 82% **0.82**

4. 49.1% **0.491**

Write each decimal as a percent.

5. 0.14 **14%**

6. 0.59 **59%**

7. 0.932 **93.2%**

8. 1.07 **107%**

Write each fraction as a percent.

9. $\frac{3}{4}$ **75%**

10. $\frac{7}{10}$ **70%**

11. $\frac{9}{16}$ **56.25%**

12. $\frac{1}{40}$ **2.5%**