

ORDER OF OPERATIONS

FACT 1: Higher order operations are “grouping” of lower operations.

Order 0: COUNTING

Counting is the fundamental operation.

Order 1: ADDITION

Addition is *counting together*.

Order 1A: SUBTRACTION

Subtraction is *opposite of addition*. It is of the same order as addition, but subtracting before adding makes computation easier.

Order 2: MULTIPLICATION

Multiplication is *repeated addition*.

Order 2A: DIVISION

Division is *opposite of multiplication*. It is of the same order as multiplication, but dividing before multiplying makes computation easier.

Order 3: PARENTHESES

Parentheses are used to group operations to be executed first.

FACT 2: In mixed operations, higher order operations are carried out first.

$7 + 2 \times 3 = 6$, because it is actually $7 + \underline{2 + 2 + 2}$ (multiplication is repeated addition)

$(7 + 2) \times 3 = 27$, because $(7 + 2)$ is treated as a single number 9 due to parenthesis

1. Solve the following using correct order of operation.

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| (a) $8 + 2 \times 4$ | (d) $(3 + 8) \times 5$ | (g) $4 \times 3 + 2 \times 5$ |
| (b) $8 \times 2 + 4$ | (e) $6 + 5 \times 3$ | (h) $4 + 3 \times 2 + 5$ |
| (c) $3 + 8 \times 5$ | (f) $6 \times (5 + 3)$ | (i) $4 + 3 \times (2 + 5)$ |

Check your answers:

(a) 16 (b) 20 (c) 43 (d) 55 (e) 21 (f) 48 (g) 22 (h) 15 (i) 25

End of Lesson