

Stuff you should already know

by ninth grade

Everything you learn in math you will use again and again.

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Almost everything the brain does is done subconsciously.

You just need to practice until you no longer have to think about it.

Counting

All of mathematics is based on counting.

$$\begin{aligned}2 &= 1 + 1 \\3 &= 2 + 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 \\4 &= 3 + 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\5 &= 4 + 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\6 &= 5 + 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\7 &= 6 + 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\8 &= 7 + 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\9 &= 8 + 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\10 &= 9 + 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1\end{aligned}$$

therefore

$$\begin{aligned}2 + 2 &= (1 + 1) + (1 + 1) \\&= 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 \\&= 4\end{aligned}$$

The order by which numbers are counted **defines** the numbers.

Addition and Subtraction

+	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18

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Multiplication and Division

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1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18
3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27
4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72
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The product of two negatives is positive.

$$(-a)(-b) = ab$$

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When subtracting a large number from a small number, you can pull the sign outside and reverse the subtraction.

$$a - b = -(b - a)$$

Reciprocals

Dividing is the same as multiplying by a reciprocal.

$$x \div \left(\frac{a}{b}\right) = x \left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$

$$a/b = a \left(\frac{1}{b}\right)$$

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$$\frac{a}{c} + \frac{b}{d} = \frac{ad+bc}{cd}$$

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Scientific Notation:

$$a \times 10^n \quad \text{where} \quad 1 \leq a < 10$$

Squares and Square Roots

$1^2 = 1$	$\sqrt{1} = 1$
$2^2 = 4$	$\sqrt{4} = 2$
$3^2 = 9$	$\sqrt{9} = 3$
$4^2 = 16$	$\sqrt{16} = 4$
$5^2 = 25$	$\sqrt{25} = 5$
$6^2 = 36$	$\sqrt{36} = 6$
$7^2 = 49$	$\sqrt{49} = 7$
$8^2 = 64$	$\sqrt{64} = 8$
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$$(ab)^n = a^n b^n$$

$$x^n x^m = x^{(n+m)}$$

$$(x^n)^m = x^{nm}$$

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Prime Factorization

Any whole number > 1 can be represented as the product of prime numbers. Simply work through the list of prime numbers, seeing which ones divide evenly.

$$60/2 = 30$$

$$30/2 = 15$$

$$15/3 = 5$$

$$60 = 2^2 \times 3 \times 5$$

Sets

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Irrational numbers are everything left in \mathfrak{R} after removing rational numbers. They include things such as π and $\sqrt{2}$.

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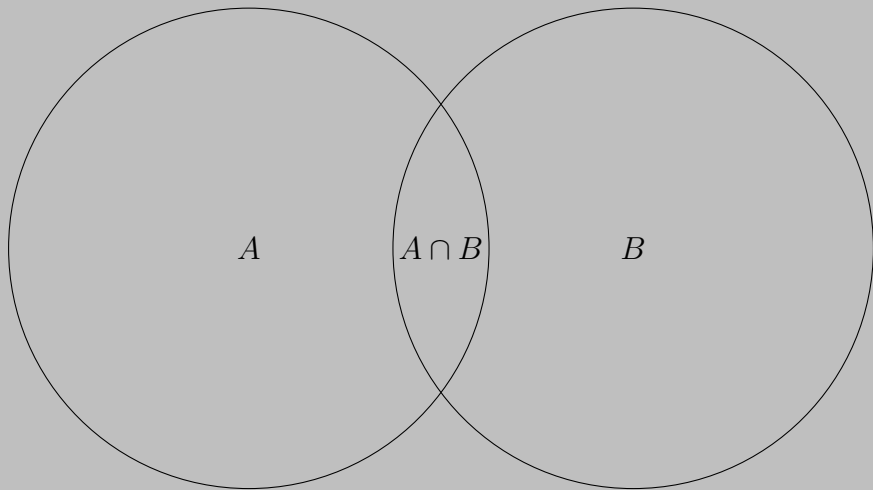
$$2 \in \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$\{1, 2\} \subset \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$\{1, 2\} \cup \{2, 3\} = \{1, 2, 3\}$$

$$\{1, 2\} \cap \{2, 3\} = \{2\}$$

Venn Diagrams



The entire diagram represents $A \cup B$

Graphing

The horizontal line is the x axis.

The vertical line is the y axis.

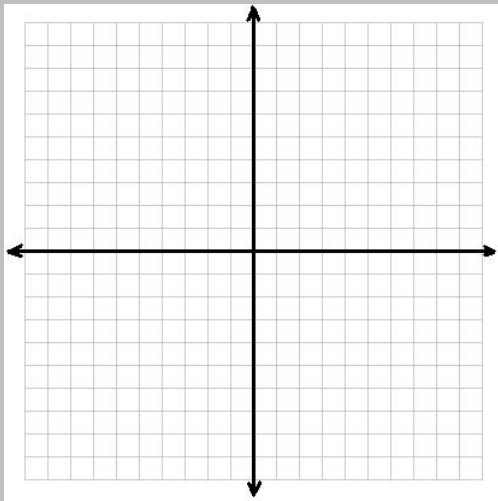
Where the axes cross is called the **origin**.

Every point on the grid corresponds to an (x, y) **coordinate pair**.

The coordinate pair for the origin is $(0, 0)$.

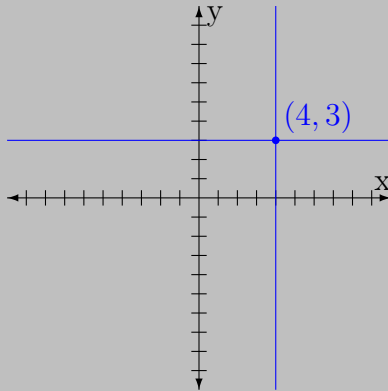
Positive x values are to the right of the origin.

Positive y values are above the origin.



Graphing a Point

To graph the point $(4, 3)$ one traces a vertical line at $x = 4$ and a horizontal line at $y = 3$. The point is located where the two lines cross.



Graphing a Line

Do **not** freehand a line on graph paper which looks “sort of” like the line shown on the calculator.

Use the **TABLE** feature to locate (x, y) coordinate pairs.

Choose 2 points and place them on the grid.

List the (x, y) coordinates used.

Draw a line through the 2 points using a straight edge.

x	y
-4	-8
4	4

