

## EXERCISE 1.1

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1. Using appropriate properties, find:

(i)  $-2/3 \times 3/5 + 5/2 - 3/5 \times 1/6$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} & -2/3 \times 3/5 + 5/2 - 3/5 \times 1/6 \\ & = -2/3 \times 3/5 - 3/5 \times 1/6 + 5/2 \text{ (by commutativity)} \\ & = 3/5 (-2/3 - 1/6) + 5/2 \\ & = 3/5 ((-4 - 1)/6) + 5/2 \\ & = 3/5 ((-5)/6) + 5/2 \text{ (by distributivity)} \\ & = -15/30 + 5/2 \\ & = -1/2 + 5/2 \\ & = 4/2 \\ & = 2 \end{aligned}$$

(ii)  $2/5 \times (-3/7) - 1/6 \times 3/2 + 1/14 \times 2/5$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} & 2/5 \times (-3/7) - 1/6 \times 3/2 + 1/14 \times 2/5 \\ & = 2/5 \times (-3/7) + 1/14 \times 2/5 - (1/6 \times 3/2) \text{ (by commutativity)} \\ & = 2/5 \times (-3/7 + 1/14) - 3/12 \\ & = 2/5 \times ((-6 + 1)/14) - 3/12 \\ & = 2/5 \times ((-5)/14) - 1/4 \\ & = (-10/70) - 1/4 \\ & = -1/7 - 1/4 \\ & = (-4 - 7)/28 \\ & = -11/28 \end{aligned}$$

2. Write the additive inverse of each of the following:

**Solution:**

(i)  $\frac{2}{8}$

The Additive inverse of  $\frac{2}{8}$  is  $-\frac{2}{8}$

(ii)  $-\frac{5}{9}$

The additive inverse of  $-\frac{5}{9}$  is  $\frac{5}{9}$

(iii)  $-\frac{6}{-5} = \frac{6}{5}$

The additive inverse of  $\frac{6}{5}$  is  $-\frac{6}{5}$

(iv)  $\frac{2}{-9} = -\frac{2}{9}$

The additive inverse of  $-\frac{2}{9}$  is  $\frac{2}{9}$

(v)  $\frac{19}{-16} = -\frac{19}{16}$

The additive inverse of  $-\frac{19}{16}$  is  $\frac{19}{16}$

**3. Verify that:  $-(-x) = x$  for:**

(i)  $x = \frac{11}{15}$

(ii)  $x = -\frac{13}{17}$

Solution:

(i)  $x = \frac{11}{15}$

We have,  $x = \frac{11}{15}$

The additive inverse of  $x$  is  $-x$  (as  $x + (-x) = 0$ ).

Then, the additive inverse of  $\frac{11}{15}$  is  $-\frac{11}{15}$  (as  $\frac{11}{15} + (-\frac{11}{15}) = 0$ ).

The same equality,  $\frac{11}{15} + (-\frac{11}{15}) = 0$ , shows that the additive inverse of  $-\frac{11}{15}$  is  $\frac{11}{15}$ .

Or,  $-(-\frac{11}{15}) = \frac{11}{15}$

i.e.,  $-(-x) = x$

(ii)  $-\frac{13}{17}$

We have,  $x = -\frac{13}{17}$

The additive inverse of  $x$  is  $-x$  (as  $x + (-x) = 0$ ).

Then, the additive inverse of  $-\frac{13}{17}$  is  $\frac{13}{17}$  (as  $-\frac{13}{17} + \frac{13}{17} = 0$ ).

The same equality  $(-\frac{13}{17} + \frac{13}{17}) = 0$ , shows that the additive inverse of  $\frac{13}{17}$  is  $-\frac{13}{17}$ .

Or,  $-(\frac{13}{17}) = -\frac{13}{17}$ ,

i.e.,  $-(-x) = x$

**4. Find the multiplicative inverse of the following:**

(i) -13 (ii)  $-13/19$  (iii)  $1/5$  (iv)  $-5/8 \times (-3/7)$  (v)  $-1 \times (-2/5)$  (vi) -1

Solution:

(i) -13

Multiplicative inverse of -13 is  $-1/13$ .

(ii)  $-13/19$

Multiplicative inverse of  $-13/19$  is  $-19/13$ .

(iii)  $1/5$

Multiplicative inverse of  $1/5$  is 5.

(iv)  $-5/8 \times (-3/7) = 15/56$

Multiplicative inverse of  $15/56$  is  $56/15$ .

(v)  $-1 \times (-2/5) = 2/5$

Multiplicative inverse of  $2/5$  is  $5/2$ .

(vi) -1

Multiplicative inverse of -1 is -1.

**5. Name the property under multiplication used in each of the following:**

(i)  $-4/5 \times 1 = 1 \times (-4/5) = -4/5$

(ii)  $-13/17 \times (-2/7) = -2/7 \times (-13/17)$

(iii)  $-19/29 \times 29/-19 = 1$

Solution:

(i)  $-4/5 \times 1 = 1 \times (-4/5) = -4/5$

Here 1 is the multiplicative identity.

(ii)  $-13/17 \times (-2/7) = -2/7 \times (-13/17)$

The property of commutativity is used in the equation.

(iii)  $-19/29 \times 29/-19 = 1$

The multiplicative inverse is the property used in this equation.

**6. Multiply  $6/13$  by the reciprocal of  $-7/16$ .**

Solution:

$$\text{Reciprocal of } -7/16 = 16/-7 = -16/7$$

According to the question,

$$6/13 \times (\text{Reciprocal of } -7/16)$$

$$6/13 \times (-16/7) = -96/91$$

**7. Tell what property allows you to compute  $1/3 \times (6 \times 4/3)$  as  $(1/3 \times 6) \times 4/3$ .**

Solution:

$$1/3 \times (6 \times 4/3) = (1/3 \times 6) \times 4/3$$

Here, the way in which factors are grouped in a multiplication problem supposedly does not change the product. Hence, the Associativity Property is used here.

**8. Is  $8/9$  the multiplication inverse of  $-1\frac{1}{8}$ ? Why or why not?**

Solution:

$$-1\frac{1}{8} = -9/8$$

[Multiplicative inverse  $\Rightarrow$  product should be 1]

According to the question,

$$8/9 \times (-9/8) = -1 \neq 1$$

Therefore,  $8/9$  is not the multiplicative inverse of  $-1\frac{1}{8}$ .

**9. If  $0.3$  is the multiplicative inverse of  $3\frac{1}{3}$ ? Why or why not?**

Solution:

$$3\frac{1}{3} = 10/3$$

$$0.3 = 3/10$$

[Multiplicative inverse  $\Rightarrow$  product should be 1]

According to the question,

$$3/10 \times 10/3 = 1$$

Therefore, 0.3 is the multiplicative inverse of  $3\frac{1}{3}$ .

**10. Write:**

- (i) The rational number that does not have a reciprocal.
- (ii) The rational numbers that are equal to their reciprocals.
- (iii) The rational number that is equal to its negative.

Solution:

(I) The rational number that does not have a reciprocal is 0.

Reason:

$$0 = 0/1$$

Reciprocal of  $0 = 1/0$ , which is not defined.

(ii) The rational numbers that are equal to their reciprocals are 1 and -1.

Reason:

$$1 = 1/1$$

Reciprocal of  $1 = 1/1 = 1$ , similarly, reciprocal of  $-1 = -1$

(iii) The rational number that is equal to its negative is 0.

Reason:

$$\text{Negative of } 0 = -0 = 0$$

**11. Fill in the blanks.**

- (i) Zero has \_\_\_\_\_ reciprocal.
- (ii) The numbers \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ are their own reciprocals
- (iii) The reciprocal of - 5 is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (iv) Reciprocal of  $1/x$ , where  $x \neq 0$  is \_\_\_\_\_.
- (v) The product of two rational numbers is always a \_\_\_\_\_.
- (vi) The reciprocal of a positive rational number is \_\_\_\_\_.

Solution:

(i) Zero has no reciprocal.

- (ii) The numbers  $-\underline{1}$  and  $\underline{1}$  are their own reciprocals
- (iii) The reciprocal of  $-5$  is  $-\underline{1/5}$ .
- (iv) Reciprocal of  $1/x$ , where  $x \neq 0$  is  $\underline{x}$ .
- (v) The product of two rational numbers is always a rational number.
- (vi) The reciprocal of a positive rational number is positive.