## 7-2: Accentuate the Negative

Unit Goals, Focus Questions, and Mathematical Reflections

## Unit Goals

Rational Numbers Develop an understanding that rational numbers consist of positive numbers, negative numbers, and zero

- Explore relationships between positive and negative numbers by modeling them on a number line
- Use appropriate notation to indicate positive and negative numbers
- Compare and order positive and negative rational numbers (integers, fractions, decimals, and zero) and locate them on a number line
- Recognize and use the relationship between a number and its opposite (additive inverse) to solve problems
- Relate direction and distance to the number line
- Use models and rational numbers to represent and solve problems


## Operations With Rational Numbers Develop understanding of operations with rational numbers and their properties

- Develop and use different models (number line, chip model) for representing addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division
- Develop algorithms for adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing integers
- Recognize situations in which one or more operations of rational numbers are needed
- Interpret and write mathematical sentences to show relationships and solve problems
- Write and use related fact families for addition/subtraction and multiplication/division to solve simple equations
- Use parentheses and the Order of Operations in computations
- Understand and use the Commutative Property for addition and multiplication
- Apply the Distributive Property to simplify expressions and solve problems


## 7-2 Accentuate the Negative: Focus Questions (FQ) and Mathematical Reflections

## Investigation 1 <br> Extending the Number System

## Problem 1.1

Playing Math Fever: Using Positive and Negative Numbers
FQ: How can you find the total value of a combination of positive and negative integers?

## Problem 1.2

Extending the Number Line
FQ: How can you use a number line to compare two numbers?

## Problem 1.3

From Sauna to Snowbank: Using a Number Line
FQ: How can you write a number sentence to represent a change on a number line, and how can you use a number line to represent a number sentence?

## Problem 1.4

In the Chips: Using a Chip Model
FQ: How can you use a chip model to represent addition and subtraction?

## Mathematical Reflections

1. How do decide which of two numbers is
greater when
1a. both numbers are positive?
1 b . both numbers are negative?
1c. one number is positive and one number is negative?
2. How does a number line help you compare numbers?
3. When you add a positive number and a negative number, how do you determine the sign of the answer?
4. If you are doing a subtraction problem on a chip board, and the board does not have enough chips of the color you wish to subtract, what can you do to make the subtraction possible?

## Investigation 2

Adding and Subtracting Rational Numbers

## Problem 2.1

Extending Addition to Rational Numbers
FQ: How can you predict whether the result of addition of two numbers will be positive, negative, or zero?

## Problem 2.2

Extending Subtraction to Rational Numbers FQ: How is a chip model or number line useful in determining an algorithm for subtraction?

## Problem 2.3

The "+/." Connection
FQ: How are the algorithms for addition and subtraction of integers related?

## Problem 2.4

## Fact Families

FQ: What related sentence is equivalent to $4+n=$ 43 and makes it easier to find the value of $n$ ?

## Mathematical Reflections

1a. What algorithm(s) will produce the correct result for the sum " $a+b$," where $a$ and $b$ each represent any rational number? Show, using a number line or chip board, why your algorithm works.

1b. What algorithm(s) will produce the correct result for the difference " $a-b$," where $a$ and $b$ each represent any rational number? Show, using a number line or chip board, why your algorithm works.
2. How can any difference " $a-b$ " be restated as an equivalent addition statement, where $a$ and $b$ each represent any rational number?

3a. What does it mean to say that an operation is commutative?

3b. Describe some ways that the additive inverse of a number is important.

## Investigation 3

Multiplying and Dividing Rational Numbers

## Problem 3.1

Multiplication Patterns With Integers
FQ: How is multiplication of two integers represented on a number line and chip board?

## Problem 3.2

## Multiplication of Rational Integers

FQ: What algorithm can you use for multiplying integers?

## Problem 3.3

Division of Rational Numbers
FQ: What algorithm can you use for dividing integers? How are multiplication and division related?

Problem 3.4
Playing the Integer Product Game: Applying Multiplication and Division of Integers FQ: What patterns do you notice on the game board for the Integer Product Game that can help you?

| Mathematical Reflections |
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1b. greater than 0 .
1c. equal to 0 .
1d. In general, describe the signs of the factors for each product in parts (a)-(c).
2. Give an example of a division problem, involving two integers, in which the quotient is 2a. less than 0 .
2b. Greater than 0 .
2c. Equal to 0.
2d. In general, describe the signs of the dividend and divisor for each quotient in parts (a)-(c).
3a. Suppose three numbers are related by an equation of the form $a \cdot b=c$, where $a, b$, and $c$ are not equal to 0 . Write two related number sentences using multiplication.
$3 b$. Suppose three numbers are related by an equation of the form $a \div b=c$, where $a, b$, and $c$ are not equal to 0 . Write two related number sentences using multiplication.
3. Which operations on integers are commutative? Give numerical examples to support your answer.

## Investigation 4

Properties of
Operations
Problem 4.1
Order of Operations
FQ: Does the Order of
Operations work for integers?
Explain.

## Problem 4.2

## The Distributive Property

FQ: How can you use the
Distributive Property to expand an expression or factor an expression that involves integers?

## Problem 4.3

What Operations are
Needed?
FQ: What information in a problem is useful to help you decide which operation to use to solve the problem?

Mathematical Reflections
1a. What is the Order of Operations? Why is the Order of Operations important?

1b. Give an example of a numerical expression in which the use of parentheses changes the result of the computation.
2. Describe how the Distributive Property relates addition and multiplication. Give numerical examples.

