

Topic	Helpful Information	Example
<b>Absolute Value</b>	Absolute value = the distance a number is from 0 on a number line	The absolute value of 5 and -5 equals 5 because they are both 5 units from 0
<b>Axiom-Additive axiom</b>	If $a > b$ , then $a + c > b + c$ .	
<b>Axiom-Positive multiplication axiom:</b>	If $c > 0$ , then $a > b$ if, and only if, $ac > bc$ .	
<b>Axiom-Transitive axiom</b>	If $a > b$ and $b > c$ , then $a > c$	
<b>Binomials-Multiplying two binomials</b>	Formula = $(a+b)(c+d) = ac + ad + bc + bd$ Use the FOIL method <b>First</b> <b>Outside</b> <b>Inside</b> <b>Last</b>	<b>(b+2) ( b +3)</b> <b>First</b> $b*b = b^2$ <b>Outside</b> $b*3 = 3b$ <b>Inside</b> $2*b = 2b$ <b>Last</b> $3*2 = 6$ Combine: $b^2 + 5b + 6$
<b>Combining like terms</b>	In order to combine they must have like variables and exponents. 1. Place like terms together. 2. Combine each set 3. Put the answers to each combine set together	$2a + 4b + 5a - 2b - 2c + 4c$ <b>Step 1.</b> $2a + 5a + 4b - 2b - 2c + 4c$ <b>Step 2.</b> $2a + 5a = 7a$ $4b - 2b = 2b$ $4c - 2c = 2c$ <b>Step 3.</b> Combine $7a + 2b + 2c$
<b>Equations-Linear equations</b>	Slope-intercept form $y = mx + b$ Standard form $ax + by = c$	$Y = 3x + 9$ where $m=3$ and $b=9$ $4x + y = 20$ , $a=4$ and $b=1$ and $c = 20$
<b>Equations-Solving Equations</b>	<b>Step 1</b> All variables can be moved to the left of the equal sign and the numbers can be on the right.  Move integers by adding the opposite sign of the integer.  <b>Step 2.</b> Divide both sides by the coefficient.	Step 1. $2b + 3 = 7$ $-3 -3$ Step 2 $2b = 4$ $b = 2$

<b>Equations-Solving literal equations</b>	<p><b>Step 1</b> The desired variable should be on the left Place all other variables on the right of the equal sign by adding opposites</p> <p><b>Step 2</b> Divide both sides by the value of any other variable on the left to “isolate” the desired variable.</p>	<p>Solve for <b>a</b></p> $x = aw$ $aw = x$ $a = x/w$
<b>Equations-Writing Equations</b>	<p>Look for key words, for example “<b>the product of</b>” means you should place the constant before a variable “<b>less than</b>” and “<b>more than</b>” means you should flip the order Substitute equal when you see “<b>is</b>” If there are not any key words create an equation in the order that the words are written.</p>	<p>The product of 5 and x is 14    <b><math>5x = 14</math></b> y more than three is 15        <b><math>3 + y = 15</math></b> Ten less than x is 5            <b><math>x - 10 = 5</math></b> The sum of 11 and y is 13      <b><math>11 + y = 13</math></b></p>
<b>Exponents And Rules for Exponents</b>	<p>Exponents tell you how many times to use the number in multiplication</p> <p><b>The Rules</b>  <math>x^m * x^n = x^{(m+n)}</math>  <math>(x^n)^m = x^{(nm)}</math>  <math>(xy)^m = x^m y^m</math></p>	$3^2 = 3 * 3 = 9$ $3^3 = 3 * 3 * 3 = 27$ $3^4 = 3 * 3 * 3 * 3 = 81$  $2^2 * 2^3 = 2^{(2+3)} = 2^5$ $(2^3)^2 = 2^{(2*3)} = 2^6$ $(2*3)^3 = 2^3 * 3^3 = 8 * 27 = 216$
<b>Exponents-Negative exponents</b>	<p>Move the term to the denominator, make the exponent positive then apply the power.</p>	$3^{-2} = 1/3 * 3 = 1/9$  $3^{-3} = 1/3 * 3 * 3 = 1/27$

<b>Expression-Evaluating Expressions</b>	Replace the variable with parentheses Inside the parentheses place the value Simplify and solve.	Step 1: $5(x) + 6$ for $x = 2$ Step 2: $5(2) + 6$ Step 3: $10 + 6 = 16$
<b>Expression-Writing Expressions</b>	Look for <b>key words</b> of algebraic expressions. Combine these written expressions with variables for unknown values into an algebraic expression.	Six less than twice the value: $2x-6$ Five less than a number: $x-5$
<b>Find slope from two points</b>	Make a function table using the x and y values of two points	Subtract $y_1 - y_2$ equals <b>Rise</b> Subtract $x_1 - x_2$ equals <b>Run</b> Write as: <b>Rise/Run</b>
<b>Function</b>	$f(x) = x^2$	
<b>Greatest common factor</b>	The greatest number that is the largest factor of two or more given numbers	GCF of 6 and 3 is 3 GCF of 6,12,36 is 6 GCF of 8, 12, 16 is 4

<b>Integers -Adding Integers</b>	If the signs are the same, then add and keep same sign. If signs are different subtract, keep sign of the largest number.	$9 + 5 = 14$ (same sign) $-9 + -5 = -14$ (same sign) $-9 + 5 = -4$ (opposite signs) $9 + -5 = 4$ (opposite signs)
<b>Integers-Dividing Integers</b>	Divide the integers and apply the sign rules. Same signs = positive answer Different signs = negative answer	$8 \div 2 = 4$ $8 \div -2 = -4$ $-8 \div -2 = 4$ $-8 \div 2 = -4$
<b>Integers-Multiplying Integers</b>	Multiply the integers and apply the sign rules. Same signs =positive product Different signs = negative product	$8 * 4 = 32$ $(-5) * (-2) = 10$ $5 * (-2) = -10$ $(-8) * (4) = -32$
<b>Inequalities-Solving Inequalities</b>	<p><b>Step 1</b> All variables should be on the left of the equal sign and the numbers should be on the right. Do this by adding opposites</p> <p><b>Step 2.</b> Divide by the positive value of the variables coefficient</p> <p><b>Step 3.</b> If the <b>coefficient to the variable is negative</b>, reverse the inequality and when dividing by -1 (or any negative).</p>	<p><b>Step 1</b> <math>-4b + 6 &lt; -14</math></p> <p><b>Step 2</b>     <math>-6 \quad -6</math>               <math>-4b &lt; -20</math></p> <p><b>Step 3</b>     <math>-b &lt; -5</math>               <math>b &gt; 5</math></p>

<b>Integers-Subtracting Integers</b>	<p>To subtract an integer add it's opposite Apply these rules:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Two like signs become positive</li> <li>2. Two unlike signs become negative</li> </ol>	$9 - (-4) = 9 + (+4) = 13$ Two like signs $-9 - (+4) = -9 + -4 = -13$ Two unlike signs $-9 - (-4) = -9 + (+4) = -5$ Two like signs
<b>Inequalities-Writing Inequalities</b>	<p>Use the same rules as writing equations The &lt; is used instead of "is less than" The &gt; is used instead of "is greater than"</p>	<p>The product of 6 and y is greater than 14 <b><math>6y &gt; 14</math></b> Y more than 6 is less than 11 <b><math>6 + y &lt; 11</math></b></p>
<b>Missing factors</b>	<p>These can be set up as a multiplication problem or a division problem</p>	
<b>Monomials-Dividing by a monomials</b>	<p>Separate the expression into two fractions and then divide coefficient but subtract exponents.</p>	$(6x^2 - 4x)/2x$ $(6x^2)/2x + (-4x)/2x$ $3x - 2$
<b>Monomials-Dividing monomials</b>	<p>When dividing monomials you subtract the exponents of like variables</p>	$(a^3 b^6)/(a^2 b^3)$ Divide a's and b's $a^3/a^2 = a^{(3-2)} = a$ $b^6/b^3 = b^{(6-3)} = b^3$ Combine together <b><math>ab^3</math></b>
<b>Monomials-Multiplying monomials</b>	<p>When multiplying monomials, add exponents with the same variables</p>	$(a^2 b^4 c^3)(a^3 b^4 c^3)$ $a^2 \times a^3 = a^{(2+3)} = a^5$ $b^4 \times b^4 = b^{(4+4)} = b^8$ $c^3 \times c^3 = c^{(3+3)} = c^6$ combine after adding exponents <b><math>a^5 * b^8 * c^6</math></b>
<b>Monomials-Negative powers of a monomials</b>	<p>When dividing or multiplying monomials with negative powers use the rules of integers</p>	$a^5 \times a^{(-3)} = a^{(5-3)} = a^2$  $b^4 \times b^{(-2)} = b^{(4-2)} = b^2$

	and add the signed numbers.	
<b>Monomials-Raising monomials to a power</b>	Multiply the exponent in the parentheses by the power.	$(a^2 b^4 c^3)^2$ $(a^2)^2 = a^4$ $(b^4)^2 = b^8$ $(c^3)^2 = c^6$ <i>Combine after multiplying by the power</i> $a^4 b^8 c^6$
<b>Multiplying signed numbers</b>  <b>The Rules</b>	$(+) \cdot (+) = (+)$ $(+) \cdot (-) = (-)$ $(-) \cdot (+) = (-)$ $(-) \cdot (-) = (+)$	
<b>Order of Operations</b>	PEMDAS Parentheses Exponents Multiply/Divide(left to right) Add Subtract (left to right)	
<b>Plotting points on the coordinate plane</b>	Step 1 Start at the origin. Find the x-axis, count right for positive and left for negative x value Step 2 Find the y-axis, count up for positive and down for negative y value. Step 3 Write the location of this point	<b>Plot (6 -4)</b> <b>Step 1</b> Begin at (0,0) move 6 to the right If it was negative you would move to the left <b>Step 2.</b> Move down since it is negative <b>Step 3</b> Plot the point
<b>Polynomial multiplied by -1</b>	When you multiply by -1 you simply change the sign of every term listed.	$-1(4a + 3b - 3c) = -4a - 3b + 3a$

<b>Polynomial multiplied by a monomial</b>	Multiply each term by the monomial Combine terms	$2x(3x^2 + 2x - 3)$ $2x(3x^2) = 6x^3$ $2x(2x) = 4x^2$ $2x(-3) = -6x$ Combine any like and list from largest exponent in order: $6x^3 + 4x^2 - 6x$
<b>Polynomial multiplied by a variable</b>	<b>Step 1</b> Multiply each term by the variable remember to add the exponents.  <b>Step 2</b> Combine.	$x(3x^2 + 2x - 3)$  $x(3x^2) = 3x^3$ $x(2x) = 2x^2$ $x(-3) = -3x$ <b>Combine</b> $3x^3 + 2x^2 - 3x$
<b>Polynomial multiplied by an integer</b>	<b>Step 1:</b> Multiply each term by the integer changing only the coefficients.  <b>Step 2:</b> Combine terms	$2(3x^2 + 2x - 3)$ $2(3x^2) = 6x^2$ $2(2x) = 4x$ $2(-3) = -6$ <b>Combine</b> $6x^2 + 4x - 6$
<b>Polynomials-Adding Polynomials</b>	<b>Step 1</b> Arrange in descending order of exponents <b>Step 2</b> Combine terms with like variables and exponents	Combine $-3x^8 - 6x^9 - 4x^9 + 8x + 7x^8 - 2x$ <b>Step 1</b> $6x^9 - 4x^9 + 3x^8 - 7x^8 + 8x - 2x$ <b>Step 2</b> $2x^9 + 4x^8 + 6x$
<b>Polynomials-Degree of a polynomial</b>	The highest exponent after being simplified	$2^4 - 5^3 - 10x + 7$ is a fourth degree polynomial $2^7 - 5^3 - 10^2 + 7$ is a seventh degree polynomial
<b>Polynomials-Subtracting Polynomials</b>	Set up the problem vertically in descending order Change the bottom signs and add	$15x^3 - 10x^2 + 3 - (10x^3 + 30x^2 + 2)$ $\dots\dots\dots$ $15x^3 - 10x^2 + 3$ $-(10x^3 + 30x^2 + 2)$ $\dots\dots\dots$ $15x^3 - 10x^2 + 3$ $-10x^3 - 30x^2 - 2$ <hr/> $5x^3 - 40x^2 + 1$

<b>Property-Associative property</b>	$a + (b + c) = (a + b) + c$ Changing groupings	Ex. $2 + (5 + 3) = (2 + 5) + 3$
<b>Property-Commutative property</b>	$a + b = b + a$	Ex. $7 + 3 = 3 + 7$
<b>Property-Distributive property</b>	Multiply the terms inside the parenthesis by the term on the outside of the parenthesis	$c(a + b) = ca + cb$ $3(c - b) = 3c - 3b$
<b>Quadratic Equation</b>	$ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ a, b, and c are known values x =variable	$3x^2 + 4x + 3 = 0$

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