Lesson 1: Opposite Quantities Combine to Make Zero

Classwork

Exercise 1: Positive and Negative Numbers Review

With your partner, use the graphic organizer below to record what you know about positive and negative numbers.

**Negative Numbers**

**Positive Numbers**

Example 2: Counting Up and Counting Down on the Number Line

Use the number line below to practice counting up and counting down.

* *Counting up* starting at $0$ corresponds to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ numbers.
* *Counting down* starting at $0$ corresponds to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ numbers.



* 1. Where do you begin when locating a number on the number line? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	2. What do you call the distance between a number and $0$ on a number line?

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* 1. What is the relationship between $7$ and $-7$?

Example 3: Using the Integer Game and the Number Line

What is the sum of the card values shown? Use the counting on method on the provided number line to justify your answer.

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| $$5$$ | $$-5$$ | $$-4$$ | $$8$$ |



* 1. What is the final position on the number line? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	2. What card or combination of cards would you need to get back to $0$? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Exercise 2: The Additive Inverse

Use the number line to answer each of the following questions.



* 1. How far is $7$ from $0$ and in which direction? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	2. What is the opposite of $7$? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	3. How far is $-7$ from $0$ and in which direction? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
	4. Thinking back to our previous work, explain how you would use the counting on method to represent the following: While playing the Integer Game, the first card selected is $7$, and the second card selected is $-7$.
	5. What does this tell us about the sum of $7$ and its opposite, $-7$?
	6. Look at the curved arrows you drew for $7$ and $-7$. What relationship exists between these two arrows that would support your claim about the sum of $7$ and $-7$?
	7. Do you think this will hold true for the sum of any number and its opposite? Why?

Property: For every number $a$, there is a number $-a$ so that $a+\left(-a\right)=0$ and $\left(-a\right)+a=0$.

The *additive inverse of a number* is a number such that the sum of the two numbers is $0$. The opposite of a number satisfies this definition: For example, the opposite of $3$ is $-3$, and $3+\left(-3\right)=0$. Hence $-3$ is the additive inverse of $3$.

The property above is usually called the existence of additive inverses.

Exercise 3: Playing the Integer Game

Play the Integer Game with your group. Use a number line to practice counting on.