

POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE INTEGERS

What Are Positive and Negative Integers?

- Positive integers are all the whole numbers greater than zero:
 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.
- Negative integers are all the opposites of these whole numbers, numbers that are less than zero: -1, -2, -3, -4, -5.
- Zero is considered neither positive nor negative.

How to add with positive and negative integers:

• If one of the integers is negative, subtract the absolute value of it from the other number.

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How to sub

To subtract integers, change the sign on the integer that is to be subtracted.

• If both signs are positive, the answer will be positive.

Example:
$$14 - (-6) = 14 + 6 = 20$$

• If both signs are negative, the answer will be negative.

Example:
$$-14 - (+6) = -14 - 6 = -20$$

• If the signs are different subtract the smaller absolute value from the larger absolute value. The sign will be the sign of the integer that produced the larger absolute value.

Example:
$$14 - (+6) = 14 - 6 = 8$$

Example: $-14 - (-6) = -14 + 6 = -8$



Try this!



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