

# NCERT SOLUTIONS OF Rational Numbers

## Exercise 1

---

### Question 1:

Using appropriate properties find:

$$(i) \quad -\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{5} + \frac{5}{2} - \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{1}{6}$$

$$(ii) \quad \frac{2}{5} \times \left(-\frac{3}{7}\right) - \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{14} \times \frac{2}{5}$$

### Answer

(i) Using commutativity property of rational numbers

$$-\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{5} + \frac{5}{2} - \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{1}{6} = -\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{5} - \frac{3}{5} \times \frac{1}{6} + \frac{5}{2}$$

Now using Distributivity property

$$= \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) \times \left(\frac{2}{3} + \frac{1}{6}\right) + \frac{5}{2}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) \times \left(\frac{2 \times 2 + 1}{6}\right) + \frac{5}{2} = \left(-\frac{3}{5}\right) \times \left(\frac{5}{6}\right) + \frac{5}{2}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{3}{6}\right) + \frac{5}{2} = \left(\frac{-3 + 5 \times 3}{6}\right) = \left(\frac{-3 + 15}{6}\right)$$

$$= \frac{12}{6} = 2$$

(ii) Using commutativity property of rational numbers

$$\frac{2}{5} \times \left(-\frac{3}{7}\right) - \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{3}{2} + \frac{1}{14} \times \frac{2}{5} = \frac{2}{5} \times \left(-\frac{3}{7}\right) + \frac{1}{14} \times \frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{6} \times \frac{3}{2}$$

Now using Distributivity property

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{2}{5} \times \left( -\frac{3}{7} + \frac{1}{14} \right) - \frac{1}{4} \\
 &= \frac{2}{5} \times \left( \frac{-3 \times 2 + 1}{14} \right) - \frac{1}{4} \\
 &= \frac{2}{5} \times \left( \frac{-5}{14} \right) - \frac{1}{4} \\
 &= -\frac{1}{7} - \frac{1}{4} \\
 &= \frac{-4 - 7}{28} = \frac{-11}{28}
 \end{aligned}$$

### Question 2

Write the additive inverse of each of the following:

- i)  $2/8$
- ii)  $-5/9$
- iii)  $-6/-5$
- (iv)  $2/-9$
- (v)  $19/-6$

**Answer:**

(i)  $2/8$

Additive inverse =  $-2/8$

(ii)  $-5/9$

Additive inverse =  $5/9$

(iii)  $-6/-5 = 6/5$

Additive inverse =  $-6/5$

(iv)  $2/-9 = -2/9$

Additive inverse =  $2/9$

(v)  $19/-6 = -19/6$

Additive inverse =  $19/6$

**Question 3**

Verify that  $-(-x) = x$  for.

(i)  $x = 11/15$  (ii)  $x = -13/17$

**Answer:**

**i)**  $x = 11/15$

Additive inverse

$$-x = -11/15$$

As  $(11/15) + (-11/15) = 0$

The above also represent that additive inverse of  $(-11/15)$  is  $(11/15)$  or we can say that

$$-(-11/15) = 11/15$$

Or  $x = -(-x)$

**ii)**  $x = -13/17$

Additive inverse

$$-x = -(-13/17)$$

As  $(-13/17) + (13/17) = 0$

The above also represent that additive inverse of  $(13/17)$  is  $(-13/17)$  or we can say that

$$-(13/17) = -13/17$$

Or  $x = -(-x)$

**Question 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)  $-1$

**Answer**

i)  $-13$

Multiplicative inverse  $= -1/13$

ii)  $-13/19$

Multiplicative inverse  $= -19/13$

iii)  $1/5$

Multiplicative inverse  $= 5$

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

Multiplicative inverse  $= 56/15$

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

Multiplicative inverse  $= 5/2$

vi)  $-1$

Multiplicative inverse  $= -1$

### Question 5 :

Name the property under multiplication used in each of the following:

(i)  $\frac{-4}{5} \times 1 = 1 \times \frac{-4}{5} = -\frac{4}{5}$

(ii)  $\frac{-13}{17} \times \frac{-2}{7} = \frac{-2}{7} \times \frac{-13}{17}$

(iii)  $\frac{-19}{29} \times \frac{29}{-19} = 1$

**Answer:**

i) 1 is the multiplicative identity

ii) Commutatively

iii) Multiplicative inverse

**Question 6:**

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

**Answer**

Reciprocal of  $-7/16 = -16/7$

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

**Question 7**

Tell what property allows you to compute

$$\frac{1}{3} \times \left( 6 \times \frac{4}{3} \right) \text{ as } \left( \frac{1}{3} \times 6 \right) \times \frac{4}{3}$$

**Answer:**

Associativity

**Question 8**

Is  $8/9$  the multiplicative inverse of

$$-1\frac{1}{8}$$

Why or why not?

**Answer:**

$$-1\frac{1}{8}$$

$$= -9/8$$

Now

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

**So it is not the multiplicative inverse**

**Question 9**

Is  $0.3$  the multiplicative inverse of

$$3\frac{1}{3}$$

Why or why not?

**Answer:**

$$3\frac{1}{3}$$

$$=10/3$$

Now

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

So it is the multiplicative inverse

### Question 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.

**Answer:**

- i) 0
- ii) 1 and -1
- iii) 0

### Question 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 \_\_\_\_\_.

**Answer:**

- i) No
- ii) 1 and -1
- iii)  $-1/5$
- iv) X
- v) Rational Number
- vi) Positive rational number

physicscatalyst.com