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 **Introduction to Content (3min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SiXM29eUw2k>

 **Introduction to the class and study skills (11 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=th4cl8ugE-I>

1. What is the basic premise of the course?
2. Who can learn mathematics barring any brain dysfunction?
3. What is brain plasticity?
4. Give the modular structure of the content of the course.
5. What is “Mathematics”?
6. What is a “Problem”?
7. What is a “Mistake”?
8. Why do you think so many students when faced with a difficult problem immediately jump to the key phrase of “I don’t know”?
9. What is “Habit Energy”?

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-  Introduction to the class and study skills (8 min) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=I5OktRxH79c>
-  Mindfulness of thoughts <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5xrKjyLRnAw> (3 min)
-  Body Scan <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vdm06q3AmwY> (17:29 min)
-  Exam Part 1 <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NllnoZeJ2X4> (5:13min)
-  Exam Part 2 https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=14g0h3AA9_o (4:54min)

10. List at least one problem solving strategy.

11. What is mindfulness?

12. List one mindfulness practice you might use when stressed out.

13. List the importance of getting help and the role ego might play.

14. List one organizational tip you learned.

15. List one study skills tip you learned.

16. What is the role of proper nutrition, sleep, and exercise in learning of mathematics?

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 **Decimal Number System** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B6GA-o6YoLw> (12 min)

1. Write briefly about steps you followed in attempting the counting project.

2. Write the base of the different number systems below.

Number System	Tally Mark	Babylonian	Aztec or Mayan	Hindu Arabic	Binary
Base					

3. Which of these number systems are still currently being used today?

4. What is a decimal number?

5. Explain in your own words the terminology below

Terminology	Your own words to describe it
Decimal Number in expanded form	
Terminating Decimal	
Non-terminating Decimal with repeating pattern	
Non-terminating Decimal without repeating pattern	

6. What is the notation to write a Non-terminating Decimal with a repeating pattern? _____

7. Give an example of the similarity of the expanded form of a natural number and of a third degree polynomial.

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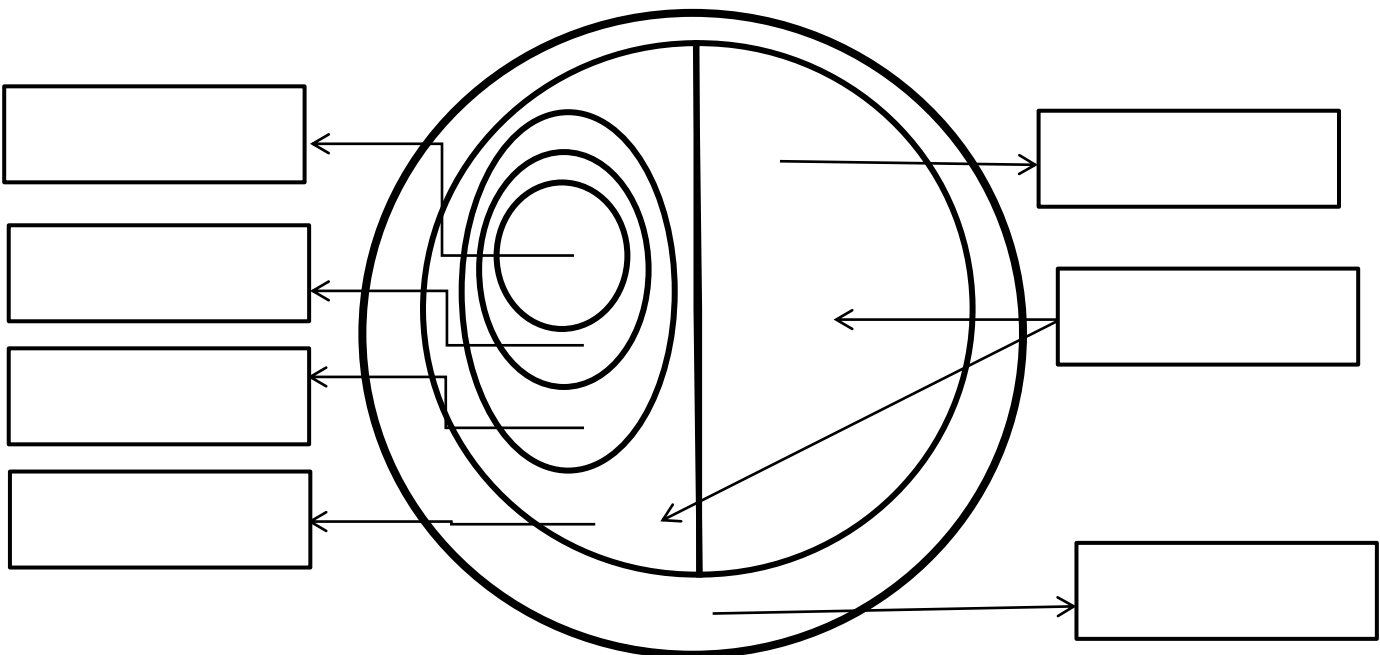
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 **Natural through Complex Numbers** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MH946PzUGlg> (13 min)

1. Explain in your own words the terminology below and provide examples asked for

Terminology	Your own words to describe it	Examples
Counting Numbers		_____ is a counting number.
Whole Numbers		_____ is a whole number that is not a counting number.
Integers		_____ is an integer that is not a whole number.
Rational Numbers		_____ is a rational number that is not an Integer.
Irrational Numbers		_____ is an irrational number.
Real Numbers		_____ is a real number.
Imaginary Numbers		_____ is an imaginary number.
Complex Numbers		_____ is a complex number that is not a real number.

2. Fill the Venn diagram or the parts in the pictorial representation of the hierarchy of all the number sets as shown in the video or e-text.



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 **Geometry** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X4v0CZzC9ec> (10 min)

1. Explain in your own words the terminology below and draw an example showing how to visualize each term.

Terminology	In your own words	Draw a picture to visualize each term
Point		
Line Segment		
Line		
Ray		
Angle		
Acute Angle		
Obtuse Angle		
Right Angle		
Parallel Lines		
Perpendicular Lines		
Transversal		
Alternate Interior Angles		
Alternate Exterior Angles		
Corresponding Angles		
Complementary Angles		
Supplementary Angles		
Polygons		
Triangle		
Rectangle		

Terminology	In your own words	Draw a picture to visualize each term
Square		
Quadrilateral		
Hexagon		
Circle		

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 **One Visualization of Rational numbers** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=79ZjO2MTiOc> (11 min)

1. Describe briefly in your own words what a rational number is.
2. For a rational number that looks like $\frac{a}{b}$, **a** is called _____, and **b** is called _____.
3. Show three different visual representations of different rational numbers below.

a.	b.	c.
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4. List at least one other mathematical object or concept that arises as an extension of a rational number and explain the similarities between that concept and a rational number.
5. What is a difference between an improper fraction and a proper fraction? Give two examples.
6. What is the restriction on the denominator to have a valid rational number or a rational mathematical object?

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 **Equivalent Fractions** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xruSTzZcpns> (11 min)

7. What are equivalent fractions?

8. Sketch a visual representation of two equivalent fractions.

9. Why does multiplying or dividing both the numerator and denominator by the same factor create an equivalent fraction?

10. What is a fraction in simplest or lowest terms?

11. What kind of rational numbers can be written as a terminating decimal?

12. Show how to represent the fractions below as decimal numbers.
 - a. $\frac{3}{40}$

 - b. $\frac{1}{3}$

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 **Ratios and Percents** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z5JYj_FQx7M (15 min)

13. Describe in your own words what a ratio is and give a real life example of a ratio.

14. Give an example that involves the number 15% and draw a diagram to represent the example.

15. For the percentages below, create equivalent fractions, representing them visually using percent diagrams, and write a real life scenario where you might encounter these.

Percentage	Fraction	Visual Representation	Real Life Scenario
75%			
200%			
60%			

16. Show how to convert the percentages below into a decimal number and vice-versa.

Percentage	Decimal	Percentage	Decimal
230%			30.4
30%			0.07
0.25%			0.005

17. Show how to compute the percentages below visually.

a. 5% sales tax on a TV that costs \$1240.	b. A 90\$ table is on 60% off sale. Find the sale price of the table.

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 **Ordering Numbers** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Wjcel8TB4mg> (8min)

18. What is the Trichotomy property of real numbers?



19. How would you order the numbers below in descending order?

Numbers	Descending Order	Explain in words the strategies used
45.69, 3.40, 23.40, 3, 49		
$\frac{2}{3}, \frac{4}{5}, \frac{3}{5}, -\frac{1}{3}$		

20. How would you order the numbers below in ascending order?

Numbers	Descending Order	Explain in words the strategies used
0.34, 20, -43.45, 20.34		

21. How can ordering be used to determine which pile has more of the amounts represented below?

Quantities	Which one has more ants?
a. Ants that come into a home for food. 	b. Ant Colony 

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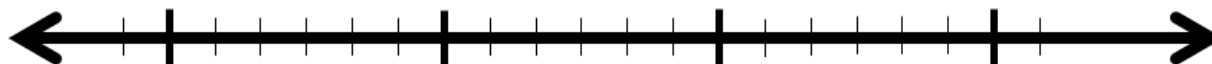
 **Plotting Numbers on a Number Line** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BohmHn8NgOA> (14 min)

1. What is a number line?
2. What is a scale or increment on a number line?
3. Give an example of where you might use a horizontal number line in real life.
4. Give an example of where you might use a vertical number line in real life.
5. When you plot decimal numbers on the number line what kind of increments can we use?
6. In plotting decimal numbers we can use powers of ten as our increments. Give an example of a tool in real life where the increments are not powers of ten?
7. Plot a number on each number line below and show what the increment between each tick mark is.

a.



b.



8. Show how to plot complex number $-5 + 3i$.

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 Scientific Notation <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4IM8zwi0kWY> (10 min)

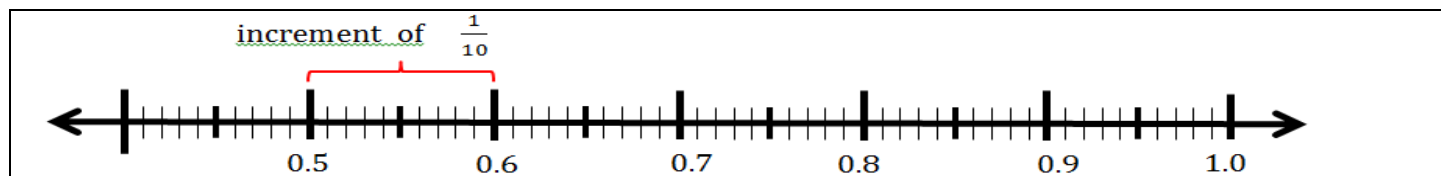
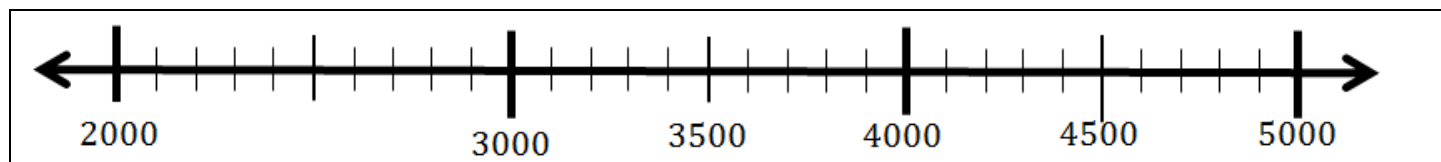
9. What is scientific notation and why is it used?

10. Give two examples in real life where you see Scientific Notation being used.

11. Fill in the table below.

Decimal Number	Scientific Notation
345000	
0.00049	

Decimal Number	Scientific Notation
	5.13×10^6
	7.8×10^{-12}

12. Use the number line below to show how you would round **0.752** to the nearest tenth's place?13. Use the number line below to show how you would round **3435** to the nearest thousand's place?

14. List two examples of rounding in real life and explain what that means.

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 **Exponents** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QlnQTDKNH_Q (9 min)
1. For any counting number n , $a^n =$ _____2. In the mathematical expression a^n ,

a is called the _____	n is called the _____
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3. We read a^n as (Please write the English words as if you were speaking it out loud below)

4. Please fill in the table below.

Example	Base	Exponent	English words as spoken out loud	Expanded form	Evaluate
2^3					
$(-5)^3$					
-4^2					
a^2					
$-(f(x))^3$					
$(ab)^5$					
$(a^2c^3)^4$					

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 **Product Rule of Exponents** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qS2yuBEXcxk> (9 min)

5. What does a mathematician do to make sense of something not encountered before?
6. Explain how to make sense of the following using the definition of exponents. Explain as if you are talking to someone not in your class.

Question	Making sense by writing in expanded notation	Explanation in words so someone not in your class understands
$2^3 \times 2^4$		
$3^2 \times 3^5$		
$4^{22} \times 4^{100}$		
$(10^2)^4$		
$(5x + 7)^3(5x + 7)^8$		
$((2x + 4)^4)^3$		
$-(c^2c^3)^4$		

7. State the Product Rule.
8. State the Power Rule.
9. Which number is bigger and why?

a. 2^{10}	b. 3^{10}
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 **Quotient Rule of Exponents** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SgEy7s1Vcw> (5 min)

10. Explain how to make sense of the following using the definition of exponents. Explain as if you are talking to someone not in your class.

Question	Making sense by writing in expanded notation	Explanation in words so someone not in your class understands
$\frac{10^6}{10^2}$		
$\frac{x^8}{x^3}$		
$\left(\frac{10^6}{10^2}\right)^3$		
$\frac{(2a - b)^5}{(2a - b)^2}$		
$\left(\frac{d^{13}}{d^2}\right)^3$		
$\frac{(-b)^{12}}{(-b)^3}$		

11. State the Quotient Rule.

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 **Zero and Negative Exponents** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3_pnpRr93hA (14 min)

1. Why should we define $a^0 = 1$ for all non-zero real numbers a ? Explain in words to someone not in your class with examples.
2. What is the meaning of a^{-n} for a non-zero real number a , and counting number n ? Explain in words to someone not in your class using examples.
3. What is the meaning of $\frac{1}{a^{-n}}$ for a non-zero real number a , and counting number n ? Explain in words to someone not in your class using examples.
4. What is the difference between -3^2 , and 3^{-2} ? Explain your answer.
5. What is the difference between $(-3)^2$, and $(-3)^{-2}$? Explain your answer.
6. Write in English words how you would read -3^2 as opposed to $(-3)^2$?

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7. Fill in the blanks below.

	Base	Exponent	English words to read it	Evaluate
a. -3^2				
b. -3^{-2}				
c. $(-3)^2$				
d. $(-3)^{-2}$				
e. $(-2)^3$				
f. $(-2)^{-3}$				
g. $-\frac{1}{3^2}$				
h. $-\frac{1}{3^{-2}}$				
i. $\frac{1}{(-3)^2}$				
j. $\frac{1}{(-3)^{-2}}$				
k. $\frac{1}{(-2)^3}$				
l. $\frac{1}{(-2)^{-3}}$				

8. Fill in the blanks below for a summary of all the rules learnt so far regarding exponents.

➤ $a^n a^m =$	➤ $\frac{a^n}{a^m} =$	➤ $(a^m)^n =$	➤ $a^0 =$	➤ $a^{-n} =$	➤ $\frac{1}{a^{-n}} =$
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 **Rational Exponents** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GJVtvQ2bm8M> (13 min)

- We know that $2^5 = 32$. What is the meaning of $32^{\frac{1}{5}}$?
- In general then for any counting number n and a real number a , what does $a^{\frac{1}{n}}$ mean? Explain in your own words to someone not in your class.
- For any counting number n, m and a real number a What does $a^{\frac{m}{n}}$ mean? Explain in your own words to someone not in your class.
- What is the radical notation for $a^{\frac{1}{n}}$?
- In the notation $\sqrt[n]{a}$, a is called _____, and n is called _____.

6. Evaluate the following.

Evaluate	English Words to Read it	Evaluate	English Words to Read it
a. $\sqrt{25} =$		b. $\sqrt[3]{-8} =$	
c. $\sqrt[3]{64} =$		d. $\sqrt{-4} =$	

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 **Radical Notation** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=B0zdWX3CzFE> (8 min)

7. Fill in the empty columns below.

Exponential Notation	Radical Notation
$a^{\frac{1}{2}}$	
	$\sqrt[3]{a}$
$a^{\frac{1}{5}}$	
$a^{-\frac{1}{3}}$	
	$\sqrt{\frac{1}{a}}$
	$\sqrt[5]{a^2}$ $= (\sqrt[5]{a})^2$

Exponential Notation	Radical Notation
$a^{\frac{7}{2}}$	
$49^{\frac{1}{2}}$	
	$\sqrt[6]{3}$
$8^{-\frac{1}{5}}$	
	$\sqrt{x+y}$
	$-(\sqrt[3]{5})^2$

8. Evaluate the following. Your final answer should be without a radical. Assume all variables are nonzero positive real numbers.

a. $\sqrt[5]{3^5}$
c. $\sqrt{49}$
e. $-\sqrt{81}$

b. $\frac{1}{\sqrt[7]{a^7}}$
d. $\sqrt[3]{27}$
f. $\sqrt{-81}$

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 **Estimating Radicals** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hMWQUtQuTKI> (5 min)

9. Using estimations fill in the blanks with an integer less than, and an integer greater than the given radical. Explain your answer.

<p>a.</p> $\square < \sqrt{6} < \square$	<p>b.</p> $\square < \sqrt{29} < \square$	<p>c.</p> $\square < \sqrt[3]{10} < \square$
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10. For each number in the left column, state whether it is less than, equal to, or greater than the number at the top of each column. Follow the example in the first row.

	$\frac{1}{2^2}$	2^3	-2^2	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$	$4\sqrt{2}$	$-\frac{1}{2^{-\frac{1}{2}}}$
$\sqrt{2}$	=	<	>	>	<	>
$\frac{1}{2^2}$						
-4						
4						
$\sqrt{32}$						
$2^{-\frac{1}{2}}$						
$\frac{1}{2^{-\frac{1}{2}}}$						
$-\sqrt{2}$						

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 **Polynomials** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GjpAlev8o8E> (14 min)

1. What happens to the expanded form of a decimal number when we replace the base ten with a variable like x ? Give an example to demonstrate this concept.
2. What is a polynomial?
3. Give the definitions below along with concrete examples.

Definition	Example
➤ Degree of a polynomial:	
➤ Leading Coefficient:	
➤ Constant Term:	
➤ Monomial:	
➤ Binomial:	
➤ Trinomial:	

4. What is a rational expression?

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 **Translating Words Part 1** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ff-bOPs5iz4> (13 min)

 **Translating Words Part 2** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xVKV_9OsNeQ (6 min)

5. List at least two places where a polynomial is used in writing a formula for some quantity.

6. Write a polynomial for the following situations.

Words	Polynomial	Words	Polynomial
Perimeter of a rectangle		"Twice as much as 3 more than a quantity"	
Area of a rectangle		half of a quantity"	
Perimeter of a square		"37% of a quantity"	
Area of square		" x times as much as y "	
Circumference of a circle		" x more than y "	
Area of a circle		" x less than y "	
Surface area of a rectangular prism		" r % of y "	
Volume of a rectangular prism		" r percent more than y "	
"Twice" a quantity		" r percent less than y "	
"Two more than a quantity"		" x is at least as much as y "	
"30 more than twice a quantity"		" x is at most as much as y "	

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 **Introduction to Functions** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GHR4QiPoBi8> (11 min)

1. Fill in the chart below.

Concept	In your words describe what these concepts mean to you
➤ Relation	
➤ Function	
➤ Domain of a function	
➤ Range of a function	
➤ Four different ways to represent a function (give examples)	

2. What is the function notation? Given an example below.

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3. Describe what the functions below are and then give an example of each type.

Functions	Examples
a. Constant Function:	
b. Square root function:	
c. Exponential Function:	
d. Polynomial Function:	
e. Rational Function:	

4. Evaluate the following

a. $f(x) = \sqrt{x} + 1$, find $f(3)$

b. $C(x) = 100$, find $C(50)$

c. $Absolute(t) = |t|$, $Absolute(-200)$

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1. **Identifying Like Units** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Zqzb5VpogNs> (6 min)
2. Fill in the blanks to complete the definitions or sentences as you see fit.
 - a. Addition is a _____ which means it acts on two objects with specific rules.
 - b. The objects themselves are called _____ or _____.
 - c. The mathematical notation or symbol for addition is _____.
 - d. You can only add quantities or mathematical objects that have _____.
3. Not using the correct units can have huge consequences. Please write briefly about one disaster that can be attributed to not using appropriate units.
4. Write two quantities below that you consider to have the same units and can be added together.
5. **Properties of Addition and Introduction to Adding Decimal Numbers**
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b12XsziOpJA> (10 min)
6. Briefly describe the properties and/or terminology related to addition in your own words.

Name of Property	
a. Commutative property of addition	
b. Associative property of addition	
c. Additive Identity	

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 **Addition of Decimal Numbers, Polynomials, Radical Expressions, and Functions**http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xwwy9_-NQ0M (14 min)

1. In your own words describe the basic principle behind any addition algorithm?

2. What are similarities and dissimilarities between adding decimal numbers and polynomials?

3. Show how these similarities and dissimilarities play out in the examples a & b, c & d, and e & f.

a. $3489 + 896$	b. $(3x^3 + 4x^2 + 8x + 9) + (8x^2 + 9x + 6)$
c. $(3 + 4i) + (5 + 6i)$	d. $(3 + 4\sqrt{x}) + (5 + 6\sqrt{x})$
e. $6(3x + 4) + 5(3x + 4)$	f. $6(3x + 4) + 5x(3x + 4)$

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 Introduction to Addition of Fractions and Rational Expressions http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y_LvHKSC10E (9 min)

4. Draw a strip diagram to show how to add $\frac{3}{4} + \frac{5}{6}$. Used colored pens/pencils to show all the relevant parts of the addition in your picture and how it relates to the final answer.

5. What basic principle becomes visible from drawing the strip diagram above regarding adding of fractions?

6. Show how this basic principle carries over to addition of fractions below.

a. $2\frac{3}{4} + 4\frac{1}{3}$

b. $\frac{3}{x} + \frac{2}{5}$

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 **Properties of Multiplication** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5tt0WWHEJm4> (10 min)

1. Fill in the blanks to complete the definitions or sentences as you see fit.
 - a. Multiplication is a _____ which means it acts on two objects with specific rules.
 - b. Mathematical notation or symbol used for multiplication is _____.
 - c. Multiplication of whole numbers can be thought of as repeated _____.
2. Briefly describe the properties and/or terminology related to multiplication in your own words.

Name of Property	
a. Commutative property of multiplication	
b. Associative property of multiplication	
c. Multiplicative Identity	
d. Distributive property of multiplication over addition	

3. Answer true or false and briefly explain your answer.

a. $3 \times (2 \times 5) = (3 \times 2) \times (3 \times 5)$

b. $a \times (b \times c) = (a \times b) \times (a \times c)$

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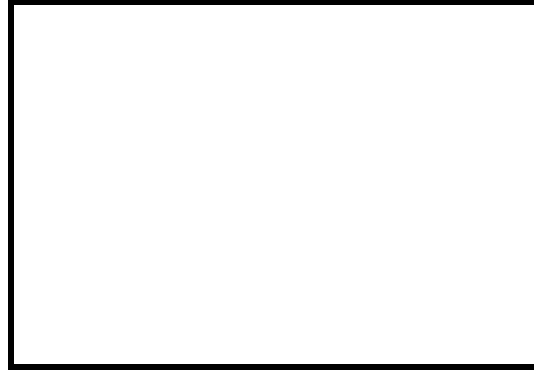
 **Visualizing Multiplication** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0ofeTiqGSFs> (13 min)

4. Show how to visualize the multiplications below. Used colored pens/pencils to show all the relevant parts of the multiplication in your picture and how it relates to the final answer.

a. 23×35



b. $(2x + 3)(3x + 5)$



5. Describe the similarities and dissimilarities between the two multiplication problems above.
6. Explain why when multiplying decimal numbers like 4.59×64.3 , we can multiply 459×643 and then adjust the decimal point.
7. Suppose that 15% of a school budget is to be used for school supplies and the school budget totals \$360,000. Then what is the amount that could be spent on school supplies? Show the solution visually and then explain how multiplication plays a role in the final answer. Use colored pens/pencils to show your explanation.

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Difficulties encountered :

 **Adding Rational Expressions Using Multiplication** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=J9qz5xSIIOA> (6 min)

8. Show all your steps in adding the following rational expressions and how multiplication plays a role in getting the final answer.

a. $\frac{2}{3+4x} + \frac{4}{x}$

c. $\frac{5x}{2+x} + \frac{x}{2x+3}$

b. $\frac{1}{3+a} + \frac{2}{1+a}$

d. $\frac{3x+1}{x+3} + \frac{5x+12}{2x+1}$

Difficulties encountered :

 Properties of Subtraction <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W9PEgpFyAYg> (15 min)

1. Fill in the blanks to complete the definitions or sentences.
 - a. Subtraction is _____ process of addition.
 - b. An object " a " multiplied by -1 yields its additive _____.
 - c. Another way to think of $-a$ is _____.
 - d. $a(-b) = -a(b) =$ _____.
 - e. $-a(-b) =$ _____.
 - f. $a(0) = (0)(a) =$ _____, and is called the _____ property of real numbers.
 - g. If $(a)(b) = 1$, then a is called the _____ of b and vice versa.
 - h. Exponential notation for multiplicative inverse of a is _____.
 - i. a and a^{-1} have the same _____.
 - j. $a \times a^{-1} =$ _____.
2. Explain the difference between the terms $-a$ and a^{-1} .
3. Explain briefly the distributive property of multiplication over subtraction.

Difficulties encountered :

 **Subtraction Algorithm** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=azaR-4ySSwQ> (9 min)

4. In subtraction what is the process of unbundling? Explain using the examples below.

a. $53 - 26$

b. $5\text{ft } 3\text{in} - 1\text{ft } 10\text{in}$ (*remember 1 ft = 12 inches*)

c. $679.43 - 287.56$

d. $(5\text{ weeks} + 3\text{ days} + 5\text{ hours} + 23\text{ minutes}) - (4\text{ weeks} + 6\text{ days} + 19\text{ hours} + 53\text{ minutes})$

5. Explain what role units of an object play in subtraction compared to addition?

Difficulties encountered :

 Visualizing Subtraction http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PwQGc_1p0jQ (8 min)

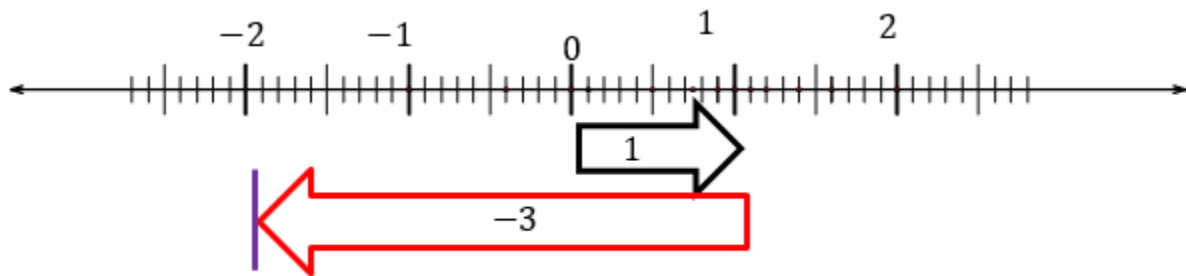
6. Explain to someone not in your class how visualize subtraction of real numbers on a number line.

7. Explain how to make sense of the following subtraction problems using real life examples.

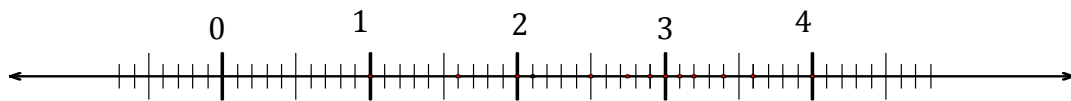
a. $-6 - 3$

b. $-100 - (-25)$

8. Explain the diagram below both as an addition problem and as a subtraction problem.



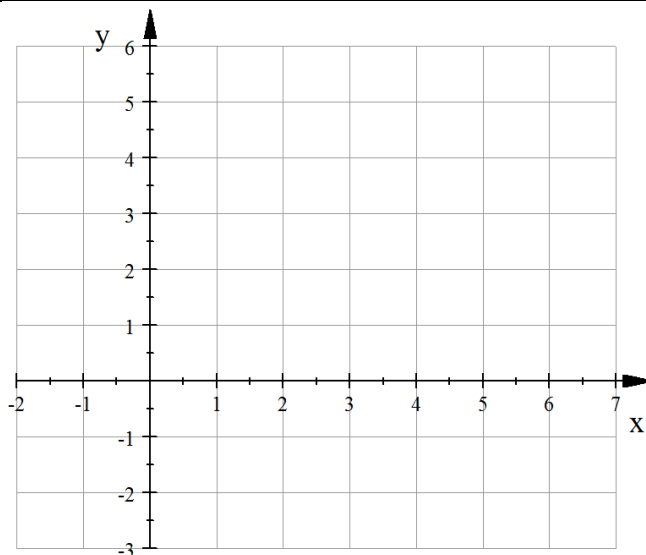
9. Use arrow diagrams like above to show the result of $4.5 + (-3.5) - (-2)$



10. Define absolute of a real number?

Difficulties encountered :

11. Show how to visualize the subtraction of complex numbers in the complex plane to the right $(2 + 4i) - (4 - 3i)$.



12. Define absolute value of a complex number.

13. Find

$$|2 + 4i| = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, \text{ and } |4 - 3i| = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$



Subtraction <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=E7Cj8QnEmNo> (12 min)

14. Describe the subtraction algorithm including the borrowing or unbundling principles for the examples below.

$$\begin{array}{r} 92356 \\ - 59417 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 9x^4 + 2x^3 + 3x^2 + 5x + 6 \\ - 5x^4 + 9x^3 + 4x^2 + x + 7 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

15. Describe what the similarities and differences are between the two problems.

16. Draw a strip diagram to show how to subtract $\frac{2}{5} - \frac{1}{3}$. Used colored pens/pencils to show all the relevant parts of the subtraction in your picture and how it relates to the final answer.

17. What basic principle becomes visible from drawing the strip diagram above regarding subtraction of fractions?

18. Show how these basic principle carry over to addition of fractions below.

a. $5\frac{3}{4} - 2\frac{2}{3}$

c. $\frac{2+x}{x+4} - \frac{5x-2}{x+4}$ (What is the like unit here?)

b. $\frac{2}{x} - \frac{3}{5}$

19. Explain why we need a common denominator to subtract rational expressions.

20. Identify the “like terms” in each and complete the subtraction

a. $9\text{ cm} + 6\text{ cm}^2 - 4\text{ cm} - 2\text{ cm}^2$

c. $9\sqrt{x} + 15\sqrt[3]{x} - 3\sqrt{x} - 7\sqrt[3]{x}$

b. $-3(2x + 1) - 7(2x + 1)$

d. $(3 + 4i) - (5 + 2i)$

21. With $f(x) = 3x^2 - 2x + 4$ and $g(x) = 5x^2 + 3x + 7$, compute:

a. $(f - g)(x) =$

b. $(f - g)(-2) =$

22. Use subtraction with a 24-hour clock time to compute the number of days, hours and minutes that passed between Monday May 4th at 3:45PM and later that week on Saturday at 8:47 AM. Express this vertically and show the unbundling that is required at the three unit levels of day, hour, and minute.

Difficulties encountered :

 Subtraction of Rational Expressions <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Vuvmrq54b4w> (8 min)

23. Perform the following arithmetic operations and simplify your answers.

a. $-2 - (-45)$

b. $(3x - 4)(-5x^2)$

c. $-2(5x^3 - 4x - 6)$

d. $(3x - 4)(5 - 2x)$

e. $\frac{2}{3-4x} - \frac{4}{x}$

f. $\frac{1}{3-a} - \frac{2}{1-a}$

g. $\frac{5x}{2-x} - \frac{x}{2x+3}$

h. $\frac{3x}{3-4x} - \frac{2x-1}{x+2}$

Difficulties encountered :

 Prime factors and multiples of expressions http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wy7pm8wjm_8 (8 min)

 Multiples <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f3ZdozzChjQ> (9 min)

1. Please fill in the blanks below.

a. In a product ab , where a and b are any two mathematical objects we have studied so far, the individual objects a and b are referred to as _____.

b. In a product ab , where a and b are any two mathematical objects we have studied so far, the quantity ab can be referred to as a _____ of a , and also as a _____ of b .

2. Give at least two multiples of each expression below.

a. 24

b. $3x^2y^3$

3. Write each number as a product of prime factors.

a. 84

b. 3528

4. Give your definition of what it means for expression A to be a multiple of expression B.

5. Which of the following, if any, is a multiple of $(x - 1)^2 \cdot x^6 \cdot (3x + 1)^2$:

a. $(x - 1)^3 \cdot x^{12} \cdot (3x + 1)^3$

b. $(x - 1)^2 \cdot x^5$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Least Common Multiples** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wJCWNcytyXE> (15 min)

6. Describe what the concept of the least common multiple is in your own words.

7. Find the least common multiple of the following.

a. 24, 15

b. $3a^2b^{10}$, $b^3c^{12}d^5$

c. x , $x + 1$

d. $x(x + 1)$, $x(x - 1)$,

 **Adding Rational Expressions Using LCM** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=O0V6hbTE-2s> (12 min)

8. Perform the following operations and simplify your answers.

a. $\frac{5}{12} - \frac{7}{18}$



d. $\frac{(5x - 1)}{(x + 1)(x - 2)} - \frac{3x}{(x - 2)(x - 1)}$

b. $\frac{1}{2^2 \times 3^2 \times 5} + \frac{1}{2^3 \times 3^2 \times 7}$

c. $\frac{c^3}{a^5b^2} - \frac{a^2}{7b^3c^2}$

e. $\frac{(2x + 1)}{(x - 1)(3x + 2)} - \frac{(5x - 2)}{(3x - 2)(x - 1)}$

Difficulties encountered :

-  Factoring Whole Numbers http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=snMzQARfX_M (8 min)
-  Introduction to Factoring Polynomials <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JR4rMAd0Mhg> (13 min)
9. Give your definition of what it means for a factor to be prime.

10. When given the prime factorization of two numbers or expressions A and B, how can you tell if expression A is a multiple of expression B?

11. Explain in your own words what the concept of a greatest common factor of two or more expressions is?

11. Find the greatest common factors of the algebraic expressions given below.

a. 360, 2100

c. $(x + 1) \times (2x - 3)^{10} \times x^3$, $x^{12} \times (x + 1)^4 \times (x - 3)^2$

b. $2^4 \times 3^{10} \times 7^3$, $2^{12} \times 3^5 \times 5^2$

d. $(x + 1) \times (2x - 3)^{10} \times x^3$, $(x - 1)^4 \times (x - 3)^2$

12. Rewrite the polynomials below as a product of factors, one of which must be the greatest common factor of all the terms in the polynomial.

a. $-3a^3b + 12a^2b$

c. $p(q - p) + q^2(p - q)$

b. $24a^6b^3 - 15a^2b^5$

d. $(2x - 3)^4(5x + 7) + (3x - 1)(2x - 3)^3$

Difficulties encountered :

 Adding and Subtracting Rational Expressions <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=p8tMoTPFyPI> (5 min)

13. Perform the operations and simplify as much as you can.

a.
$$\frac{1}{x^2+4x} - \frac{x}{x+4}$$

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b.
$$\frac{(2-4x)}{x(x-1)+5(x-1)} - \frac{(x+1)}{2(x+5)-x(x+5)}$$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Factoring by Grouping Geometrically as Rectangles** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JPWGp83_DUE (6 min)

1. What does factoring a polynomial mean?
2. Show how to visualize the factor by grouping below using rectangles.
 $3x + 3 + ax + a = 3(x + 1) + a(x + 1) = (3 + a)(x + 1)$

 **Factoring by Grouping** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yyMzSSw8KLQ> (5 min)

3. Factor the following $3x + ay + ax + 3y$

 **Factoring Trinomials using Algebra Tiles** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Xy0zEGlb54> (11 min)

 **Factoring Trinomials Algebraically** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lb9eeHyxwm4> (10 min)

4. Show how to use algebra tiles to factor $3x^2 + 8x + 4$.

Difficulties encountered :

 **Factoring Trinomials by Grouping** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hvuH6eXbXWQ> (14 min)

5. Factor the following algebraically. Show all your steps.

a. $x^2 + 5x + 6$

d. $x^2t + 5xt + 6t$

b. $x^2 - 12x + 20$

e. $24a^2b - 28ab^2 - 20b^3$

c. $6x^2 + 11x + 4$

f. $-2x^2 + 5x - 3$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Application to Adding and Subtracting Rational Expressions** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ja2ul4TGuH0>
(7 min)

6. Show how factoring is used to simplify the subtraction $\frac{x+1}{2x^2-5x+3} - \frac{x-1}{2x^2+x-6}$

Difficulties encountered :

Factoring the Difference of Two Perfect Squares http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cy_n_YfQIQ (9 min)


7. Explain the difference of squares formula below using rectangles.

$$a^2 - b^2 = (a - b)(a + b)$$

8. Show how to use difference of squares formulas to factor the following.

a. $25x^2 - 16y^2$

b. $18x^3y - 8xy^3$

 **Factoring the Sum or Difference of Perfect Cube Terms** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2XvIb_JtvQQ (12 min)

9. Show how to use the sum and difference of perfect cubes formulas below to factor the following.

$$a^3 - b^3 = (a - b)(a^2 + ab + b^2) \text{ and } a^3 + b^3 = (a + b)(a^2 - ab + b^2)$$

a. $8x^3 - 27y^3$

b. $64a^3 + 125b^3$

10. List a summary of all the factoring facts you have learned so far.

➤ Factoring trinomial by grouping

➤ Factoring difference of cubes

➤ Factoring difference of squares

➤ Factoring sum of cubes

11. Can the sum of squares $a^2 + b^2$ be factored? Explain your answer.

Difficulties encountered :

 Application of Factoring <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fm0NEqFloMA> (7 min)

12. Combine the rational expressions into a single rational expression in lowest terms. Show all your steps.

a.
$$\frac{3x-2}{x^2-16} - \frac{2x+3}{x^2-5x+4}$$

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b.
$$\frac{-2x+1}{x^2+4x+16} + \frac{5x^2+3x+4}{x^3-64} - \frac{2}{x-4}$$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Multiplication of Rational Numbers and Expressions** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=e-F4CpSXzJ4> (10 min)

1. Show how to visualize the following multiplications.

a. 2×3

c. $\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{2}{3}$

b. $5 \times \frac{2}{3}$

d. $\frac{3}{4} \times \frac{2}{5}$

2. When adding two fractions we need to make a common denominator. Explain if making common denominator is necessary when multiplying two fractions.

Difficulties encountered :

 **Multiplying Rational Numbers and Expressions** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=czoI6D3NNeg> (12 min)

3. Write each product of rational numbers or expressions as a single rational expression in reduced or lowest form.

a. $\frac{42}{25} \times \frac{65}{56}$

e. $\frac{x^2 - 4}{x^2 - 5x} \times \frac{x^2 - 4x - 5}{x^2 - 3x + 2}$

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b. $\frac{24}{-45} \times -\frac{30}{9}$

c. $-\frac{200}{15} \times \frac{18}{60} \times \frac{-12}{25}$

d. $\frac{a^4 b^{-3}}{b^2 c} \times \frac{-a^5 c^7}{b^3 c^5}$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Multiplication and Exponents** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ExausXVXu_E (15 min)

4. Please fill in the blanks below to review all the rules of exponents.

For all integers n, m , and all nonzero real numbers a :

Product Rule: $a^m a^n =$ _____

Negative Exponent:

$a^{-n} =$ _____ and $\frac{1}{a^{-n}} =$ _____

Power Rule 1: $(a^m)^n =$ _____

Zero Exponent: $a^0 =$ _____

Quotient Rule: $\frac{a^m}{a^n} =$ _____

Radicals or Fractional Exponents:

$\sqrt[n]{a} =$ _____ or $a^{\frac{1}{n}} =$ _____

5. Simplify the following and do not leave any negative exponents in the answer.

a. $(2 \times 5)^3$

e. $\left(\frac{3x^{-4}}{b^3}\right)^{-2}$

b. $\left(\frac{2}{5}\right)^3$

f. $\left(\frac{q^{-1}xy^{-2}}{x^{-4}y^3q^{-3}}\right)^{-2}$

c. $a^{-3}a^5$

g.

$\left(\frac{3x^{-3}}{y^2}\right)^2 \left(-\frac{3x^2}{5y^3}\right)^{-3}$

d. $(2x^2y^{-3})^{-2}$

Difficulties encountered :

 Review of radicals and fractional powers and simplifying radicals <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ab-epECGrI4> (9 min)

6. For all positive real numbers a , fill the blanks below.

a. $\sqrt{a}\sqrt{a} =$ _____

b. $\sqrt[3]{a}\sqrt[3]{a}\sqrt[3]{a} =$ _____

c. $(\sqrt[n]{a})^n =$ _____

d. $\sqrt[n]{a^n} =$ _____

e. $\sqrt[n]{a}\sqrt[n]{b} =$ _____

f. $\frac{\sqrt[n]{a}}{\sqrt[n]{b}} =$ _____

7. Multiply and simplify the following.

a. $\sqrt{3}\sqrt{3}$

b. $\frac{x^{\frac{5}{3}}}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}$

c. $3\sqrt{y} \times 2\sqrt{y}$

d. $(2\sqrt{x} - 3)(5 + 3\sqrt{x})$

e. $\sqrt[3]{125b^3a^5}$

f. $(2 + \sqrt{3})(2 - \sqrt{3})$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Rationalizing Denominators of Radical Expressions** <http://www.youtube.com/watRch?v=BM7KwGKZBbs> (8 min)

8. Rationalize the denominator so that your final answer does not have radical terms in the denominator.

a. $\sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}$

c. $\frac{3x}{\sqrt{12x^3}}$

b. $\frac{3+2\sqrt{x}}{2-3\sqrt{x}}$

d. $\frac{3-2i}{4+5i}$

Difficulties encountered :

 Introduction to Division <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7gZ4yW1nr9Y> (13 min)

1. Fill in the blanks below.

- a. Division is a binary operation denoted by the symbol _____.
- b. In the notation $a \div b = c$, a is called the _____, b is called the _____ and the result of the division c is called the _____.

c. $\frac{a}{b} \div \frac{c}{d} =$ _____

2. What are the two different interpretations of the division $a \div b$, with of two real numbers a, b , with $b \neq 0$.

 Introduction to Division of Rational Numbers <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9LTICGxqwKE> (10 min)

3. Draw a strip diagram to explain visual interpretation of the divisions below.

a. $4 \div \frac{1}{2}$

b. $\frac{4}{5} \div \frac{2}{3}$



Difficulties encountered :

 **Division of Decimal Numbers and Rational Expressions** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BGReDOGObbk> (7 min)

4. Perform the following divisions.

a. $288 \div 12$

b. $\frac{32.5}{0.25}$

c. $\sqrt{3} \div \sqrt{2}$

d.
$$\frac{x^2 - 9}{x^2 + 2x + 4} \div \frac{x^2 - 5x + 6}{x^3 - 8}$$

e.
$$\frac{8x^2 - 2y^2}{6x^2 + 13xy + 5y^2} \div \frac{x^3y - xy^3}{3x^2 + 2xy - 5y^2}$$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Division Algorithm for Decimal Numbers and Polynomials** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XXrOixy8PfA> (8 min)

 **Division Algorithm for Decimal Polynomials** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PQrlt8PhFAE> (11 min)

5. Fill in the blanks below.

a. Let a and b be any two mathematical objects where b is the divisor and $b \neq 0$. If we set c to be the quotient of $a \div b$, and let r to be the remainder, then we have $a \div b =$ _____.

b. $0 \div a =$ _____

6. Perform the long division below and find the quotient and remainder.

a. $676 \div 32$

d. $(6x^2 + 7x + 6) \div (3x + 2)$

b. $0.324 \div 12$

c. $\frac{23}{47}$

e. $(2x^3 - 5x^2 + x - 10) \div (x^2 - 4x + 1)$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Order of Operations** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iHvTbraDV38> (11 min)

1. Explain the order of operations?

2. Use order of operations to find the value of the following.

a. $(2 - 5) \times 4 + 3$

f. $\frac{3^2 + 2 \times 5 - 10}{\sqrt{25} - 3 \times 2}$

b. $\sqrt{2^2 + 3^2}$

c. $\frac{\frac{2}{3} + 5}{5^2 - 4}$

g. $\frac{-7 + (3 \times 2 - 4)^2}{3^2 - 4 + 2 \times 5}$

d. $3|5 - 8| - 12$

e. $3|2 \times 3^2 - 8 \times 3| - 5 \times 2^2$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Complex Fractions** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=epR6si0ncc> (4 min)

3. Evaluate the following.

a.
$$\frac{\frac{1}{2} - 3}{\frac{1}{3} - 2}$$

c.
$$\frac{\frac{4}{x+1} - 3}{\frac{1}{x-1} - 2}$$

b.
$$\frac{\frac{3}{x} - 2}{\frac{2}{x^2} - 1}$$

d.
$$\frac{\frac{1}{a^2} - \frac{1}{b^2}}{\frac{a}{b} - \frac{b}{a}}$$

Difficulties encountered :

 Introduction to Equations and Inequalities (11 min) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vZ2mjSUvneQ>

1. Explain what an equation is.

2. Explain what an inequality is.

3. What are the different symbols that are used to write an inequality? Explain the meaning of all of them.

4. What is the difference between solving an equation and an inequality?

5. Determine which operations will undo the operations listed below.

Operation	Undone by
a. Addition	a.
b. Subtraction	b.
c. Multiplication	c.
d. Division	d.
e. Odd Power	e.
f. Even Power	f.

Difficulties encountered :

6. What is a solution to an equation?

7. What is a solution to an inequality?

8. What is an identity?

9. What is an extraneous solution?

 **Interval Notation (14 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P1Iiz3XtJLs>

10. Describe the difference between using a round bracket versus rectangular bracket when writing solutions to an inequality in interval notation.

Difficulties encountered :

 Additive Property of Equalities and Inequalities (10 min) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Emlxj6Xj4w0>

 Multiplicative Property of Equalities and Inequalities (8 min) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IUaQxG8Vn-8>

 Solving Equations and Inequalities (12 min) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9Ky4kZA1unE>

 Solving Equations and Inequalities (8 min) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kRbOrSNxKy0>

 Solving Equations (11 min) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6oGn22cCwA>

1. Solve the following and explain why you can do the steps you did. For inequalities, write your answer algebraically, in interval notation, and represent it graphically on a number line. For equations, if there are extraneous solutions, please state so.

Equations

a. $x + 5 = 3$

b. $x - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{7}{3}$

c. $-\frac{2}{3}t = \frac{5}{2}$

d. $2.5x + 4.5 = -5.6$

Inequalities

a. $x + 5 < 3$

b. $x - \frac{1}{2} \geq \frac{7}{3}$

c. $-\frac{2}{3}t < \frac{5}{2}$

d. $2.5x + 4.5 > -5.6$

Difficulties encountered :

Equations

e. $-2(3x - 5) + 5x = 4(x - 3)$

f. $2 - \frac{1}{x+1} = \frac{7}{3}$

g. $|3x - 4| = \frac{5}{3}$

h. $\sqrt{x + 1} = 5$

i. $(x + 2)^5 = 7$

j. $\sqrt[3]{2x - 1} = 4$

Inequalities

e. $-2(3x - 5) + 5x < 4(x - 3)$

f. $2 - \frac{1}{x+1} \geq \frac{7}{3}$

g. $|3x - 4| > \frac{5}{3}$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Percentage, Ratio and Proportions Problems (11 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oLoRCRXYv4>


2. Explain the difference between a percentage, a ratio, and a proportion.
3. Solve the following.
- a. The gender wage gap varies by occupation. Female waitresses on average earn 82% as much as male waiters. If a typical female waitress earns \$12/hr in New York City, what does a typical male waiter earn in New York City? In other words what wage is \$12/hr 82% of?
- b. A car dealer marked the price of a new car down by 8% and the sale price was \$18,000. What was the original price?

Algebraic Solution	Visual Solution

- c. A tall building casts a shadow of length 40 paces (100 feet) on a level city street. Also, the shadow of a six foot person is 2.5 feet long. Determine how tall the building is using the fact that the shadows and heights of the person and building form similar triangles where the ratio of corresponding sides is constant.
- d. A cookie recipe calls for 1.5 cups of flour and 7 oz. of almond paste and makes 2 dozen cookies. How much flour would be needed to make a huge batch of these cookies that utilizes a 90 oz. can of almond paste? Also how many cookies would this make?

Difficulties encountered :

 **Zero Product Property (10 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5zKug2bfT48>

 **Examples (7 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0FFGzy5Bw4s>

1. Solve the following equations.

a. $x(x + 5) = 0$

e. $\frac{3-x}{7-2x} = \frac{3x^2+7}{2x^2-9x+7} + \frac{x+1}{x-1}$

b. $(3x - 5)(2x + 3) = 0$

c. $2x^2 + 3x - 5 = 0$

d. $4x^2 + 15x + 9 = 28$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Radical equations (9 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qibBpu5vixk>

1. What is the difference between solving radical and power equations?

Radical Equations

2. $\sqrt{x} = 4$

4. $\sqrt{x + 3} = 4$

6. $\sqrt{5 - 3x} = 4$

Power Equations

3. $x^2 = 4$

5. $(x + 3)^2 = 4$

7. $(1 - 2x)^2 = 3$

Difficulties encountered :

8. $\sqrt{x+2} - x = -4$

9. $\sqrt{x+4} - \sqrt{2x+1} = -1$

Difficulties encountered :

 Quadratic Equations (15 min) https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=29_SBzxChMw

1. Solve the following equations.

Equations With Real Zeros

a. $x^2 = 4$

c. $x^2 = 5$

e. $(x + 3)^2 = 5$

g. $4(x + 3)^2 = 5$

Equations with Complex Zeros

b. $x^2 = -4$

d. $x^2 = -5$

f. $(x + 3)^2 = -5$

h. $4(x + 3)^2 = -5$

Difficulties encountered :

2. Explain what completing the square is algebraically and visually for the example $x^2 + 6x$

3. Explain how to use completing the squares to solve the following examples.

Equations With Real Zeros

$$x^2 + 6x - 14 = 0$$

Equations with Complex Zeros

$$x^2 + 6x + 14 = 0$$

4. What is the quadratic formula?

5. Find all the solutions to the equation using the quadratic formula.

$$3x^2 - x + 3 = 0.$$

Difficulties encountered :

 **Cartesian Coordinate System** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QdqdISLovuM> (11 min)

 **Midpoint Formula** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kRivyxD_IM (3 min)

 **Pythagorean Theorem and Distance Formula**
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=KRLZuOhus4U> (10min)

1. Explain what the rectangular or Cartesian coordinate system is.
2. Give at least one example where a rectangular coordinate representation is useful.
3. Explain what the distance formula is. Give an example to illustrate your answer.
4. Explain what the midpoint formula is. Give an example to illustrate your answer.

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 **Plotting solutions to equations in x and y .** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MEs1zAr--bc> (11 min)

1. Explain what determines if a coordinate (a, b) is a solution to an equation in two variables. Give an example to illustrate your answer.

2. Explain what determines if a coordinate (a, b) is a solution to an inequality in two variables. Give an example to illustrate your answer.

 **Graphing Equations and Inequalities in Two Variables** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IHCGIPoewJc> (9 mins)

3. Sketch the graphs of the equations and inequalities below. For inequalities please make use of colored pencils.

Equation	Inequality
a. $y = x + 2$	b. $y > x + 2$

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 **Horizontal and Vertical lines and their equations** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lamhB_5youg (6 min)

1. How many points determine a unique line? Explain why that might be.
2. Explain one difference regarding points that belong to a vertical line versus those that belong to a horizontal line. Give examples to illustrate your answer. You may want to use colored pencils to demonstrate the differences.

 **Slopes of lines** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hbrLS3ifskQ> (13 min)

3. Explain the concept of slope of a line. Give an example to illustrate your answer.
4. How can you determine if two lines were perpendicular or not?

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 Lines <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l2TPmlzfkLo> (6 min)

5. Explain what happens to the graph of the line $y = 2x$ when you add or subtract a number from the $2x$, e.g. $y = 2x + 5$ or $y = 2x - 7$.

6. Sketch the graphs of the following lines.

a. $y = 2x + 8$


b. $y = 2x - 16$

7. Write the formula to find slope of a line passing through the points (x_1, y_1) and (x_2, y_2) .

8. Explain the meaning of slope using a real life example.

9. What determines if two lines are parallel, perpendicular or neither?

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 Slope-intercept and point-slope forms of equations of lines <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Mqh-1mGnuU0> (15 min)

Fill in the blanks below

10. A point (x_1, y_1) belongs to the line $y = mx + b$ if and only if _____ is a true statement.

11. _____ points determine a unique line.

12. A _____ on the line and the _____ of the line also determine a unique line.

13. To find points on the line $y = mx + b$ we have to

14. Equation of a line in the slope intercept form is given by _____.

15. Equation of a line in the point slope form is given by _____.

16. Equation of a line in the standard form is given by _____.

17. Slope of a line passing through points (x_1, y_1) , (x_2, y_2) is given by _____.

18. Slope represents the _____ of the y -value per one unit increase in x .

19. Equation of a vertical line passing through the point (a, b) is given by _____.

20. Equation of a horizontal line passing through the point (a, b) is given by _____.

Difficulties encountered :


 Solving Systems of Equations and Inequalities http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ek8oBqJ2E_4 (14 min)

21. 999List three different ways to solve a system of equations. Give examples of each to illustrate. Please use colored pencils where necessary to highlight your answer.

22. What is the main difference between solving a system of equations verses solving a system of inequalities?

23. When solving a system of equations we can have system that is either _____, or _____, or _____.

Difficulties encountered :

 **Applications of lines and graphs Reading Graphs (7 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=plhuVnNFYxc>

1. Explain what modeling a real life problem is in mathematics.

2. What kind of information is expressed in graphical representations of an event? Use an example to illustrate your answer.

 **Linear Models (11 min)** http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8DXMehKa6_w

3. Explain how a linear model can help with estimating population growth.

 **Applications (8 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=idPmgnUD-X0>

4. Explain how software like Excel can help us create models using a set of data points.

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 **Applications (14 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WXLZKrZUnKQ>

1. List some basic steps one can use to convert a word problem into a mathematical equation.

2. Find a visual and an algebraic solution to the problem below.

The tank on Karl's truck went from $\frac{1}{3}$ full to $\frac{1}{2}$ full when he added 4 gallons of gas. Use this information to determine how many gallons the tank holds when full.

Visual

Algebraic

 **Applications (7 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dsbrQ54So38>

3. Solve the following.

A school bus can hold maximum of 72 kids. If there are 353 kids that are to be taken on field trip to Chicago's Science and Industry Museum, how many buses will be needed?

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 Applications (11 min) <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CZQu8Q3maEk>

4. Show how organizing information in a chart can help create your mathematical model to solve word problems below.
 - a. Anita works at two jobs for 50 hours a week, one in the math lab at a pay rate of \$8/hr and the other at a nursing home at a rate of \$9.50/hr. In a week where she earned a total of \$460, how many hours did she work at each job?
 - b. A theater sold 550 tickets. Some were discounted and sold for \$6 each with the remaining tickets sold for full price of \$8 a ticket. If the total revenue from ticket sales was \$4050, how many of each type of ticket was sold?
 - c. A financial planner needs to allocate \$500,000 into two funds so that her client will receive \$35,000 of earnings per year. Fund A has a return of 9% per year and Fund B earns 6% per year. How many dollars should be invested in each account to obtain the total of \$35,000 earnings in a year?
5. Explain how to solve a word problem using a visual representation.

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 **Applications (10 min)** <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ys0RRfBJ7HU>

1. List at least three different fields of study where mathematical modeling can be used. Which one was your favorite application?

2. Show how you would use the knowledge gained so far to solve

A rectangular garden was enclosed using a 50 foot roll of rabbit proof wire fence. The width of the garden was 10 feet. Determine the area of the garden in square feet.

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