## Integers: Multiplication

## Multiplying with like signs

When multiplying two integers, if the signs of the two integers are the same, the product will be positive.

A positive integer times a positive integer results in a positive integer.

A negative integer times a negative integer results in a positive integer.

Examples:

$$5 \cdot 9 = 45$$

$$(-3) \cdot (-5) = 15$$

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## Multiplying with different signs

When multiplying two integers, if the signs of the two integers are different, the product will be negative.

A positive integer times a negative integer results in a negative integer.

A negative integer times a positive integer results in a negative integer.

Examples:

$$(-3) \cdot 7 = -21$$

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  $8 \cdot (-5) = -40$ 

The product of any integer and 0 is 0.

Example:  $5 \cdot 0 = 0$ 

 $-5 \cdot 0 = 0$ 

The product of any integer and 1 is that integer.

Example:  $5 \cdot 1 = 5$ 

 $-5 \cdot 1 = -5$ 

Caution – Be careful when working with exponents. It makes a difference if the negative sign is included with the base inside the parenthesis or not included.

$$(-3)^2 = (-3) \cdot (-3) = 9$$
  $-3^2 = -(3 \cdot 3) = -9$ 

$$-3^2 = -(3 \cdot 3) = -9$$

Remember the Order of Operations – it applies to integers as well. Please Excuse My Dear Aunt Suz



- 1. "P" If parentheses or other grouping symbols such as braces or brackets are present in the expression, evaluate what is in these grouping symbols first.
- 2. "E" Evaluate all expressions with exponents next.
- 3. "M, D" Complete any multiplication or division in order, working from left to right.
- 4. "A, S" Complete any addition or subtraction in order, working from left to right.

Example:

$$6 - 3(2^2 - 7)$$

Evaluate the ( ) first. Inside it is an exponent to evaluate.  $2^2 = 4$ 

6 - 3 (4-7)

Evaluate the ( ) expression. (4-7) = -3

6 - 3 (-3)

Complete the multiplication: 3(-3) = -9

6 - (-9)

Complete the subtraction: 6 - (-9) is 6 + (+9) = 15

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Final answer.

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17) 
$$-(9)^2$$

Order of Operations is SO important; here are three more to ...

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$$3(1+3)^2 \div 4 \cdot 2 =$$

$$14 - 8 \div 2 \cdot 3 \div 2 + 2 =$$