Math 60, Section 1.2 and 1.4 Class Prep Assignment

Watch the videos and take notes on this page

Due at the Beginning of Next Class

Section 1.2: Fraction Review

1. Multiplying Fractions - What is half of a half?

Try to cross-cancel first. Always simplify!

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

b.
$$\frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{3}{5}$$

c.
$$2 \cdot \frac{1}{8}$$

2. Dividing Fractions - Dividing by 2 is the same as multiplying by $\frac{1}{2}$ (reciprocal)

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

b.
$$\frac{11}{16} \div \left(-\frac{9}{16}\right)$$

3. Adding and Subtracting Fractions – We can only add like sized pieces (common denominator).

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

b.
$$\frac{18}{11} - \frac{7}{11}$$

c.
$$-\frac{3}{8} - \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

d.
$$\frac{3}{8} - \frac{1}{3}$$
 (Try this one after the video)

4. Perimeter – Draw a Picture.

A rectangular yard is $\frac{1}{5}$ of a mile wide by $\frac{1}{2}$ mile long. How long is the perimeter? Practice with fractions, but then you can use decimals to check!

Section 1.4: Order of Operations

5. Order of Operations – PEMDAS

a.
$$3 + (-4) \cdot 5$$

b.
$$(-40) \div (-4) \cdot 2$$

c.
$$15-2[5-(-2)]$$
 (Try this one after the video)

d.
$$\frac{9 \cdot 2 + 2|-5|}{(-2)^2}$$