



Properties of Rational Numbers

- 1) **Commutative property:** While **multiplying**, any two rational numbers can be _____ in any order, and yet their _____ remains the same.
- 2) If a and b are integers and $b \neq 0$, which of the following demonstrates the commutative property of **multiplication** for rational numbers $\frac{a}{b}$ and $\frac{c}{d}$?
- a) $\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{c}{d} + \frac{a}{b}$ c) $\frac{a}{b} - \frac{c}{d} = \frac{c}{d} - \frac{a}{b}$
- b) $\frac{a}{b} \div \frac{c}{d} = \frac{c}{d} \div \frac{a}{b}$ d) $\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{c}{d} = \frac{c}{d} \times \frac{a}{b}$
- 3) Which of the following operations is **not** commutative for rational numbers?
- a) Addition b) Subtraction c) Multiplication d) both a and c
- 4) Which expression demonstrates the commutative property of **multiplication** for rational numbers $\frac{-2}{3}$ and $\frac{5}{7}$?

- a) $\frac{-2}{3} \times \frac{5}{7} = \frac{5}{7} \div \frac{-2}{3}$
- b) $\frac{-2}{3} \times \frac{5}{7} = \frac{5}{7} \times \frac{-2}{3}$
- c) $\frac{-2}{3} \div \frac{5}{7} = \frac{5}{7} \times \frac{-2}{3}$
- d) $\frac{-2}{3} \div \frac{5}{7} = \frac{5}{7} \div \frac{-2}{3}$



5) The product of any rational number and 1 is the _____ itself.

Thus, $\frac{a}{b} \times 1 = 1 \times \frac{a}{b} = \frac{a}{b}$.

6) The **multiplicative identity** for every rational number is _____

7) $\frac{-9}{17} \times 1 =$ _____ a) $1 \times \frac{-9}{17}$ b) $\frac{-9}{17}$ c) $\frac{17}{-9}$ d) both a and b

8) **Zero property of multiplication:** The product of any rational number and 0 is the _____. Thus, $\frac{a}{b} \times 0 = 0 \times \frac{a}{b} = 0$.

9) $\frac{3}{5} \times 0 =$ _____ a) $0 \times \frac{3}{5}$ b) $\frac{3}{5}$ c) 0 d) both a and c

10) Verify: $\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{7}$ follows the commutative property of **multiplication**

$\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{2}{7} = \frac{1 \times 2}{3 \times 7}$	$\frac{2}{7} \times \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2 \times 1}{7 \times 3}$
Product = $\frac{\quad}{21}$	Product = $\frac{\quad}{21}$

commutative property of multiplication is verified _____