



Properties of Rational Numbers

1) *Closure property of multiplication:* *The product of any two rational numbers is always a _____.*

2) *Which of the following demonstrates the closure property of multiplication for any two rational numbers $\frac{a}{b}$ and $\frac{c}{d}$?*

a) $\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{c}{d}$ *is a whole number*

b) $\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{c}{d}$ *is an integer*

c) $\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{c}{d}$ *is a rational number*

d) *both b and c*

3) *If $a = \frac{2}{3}$, $b = \frac{-4}{7}$, then show that the product of a and b follows the closure property of multiplication?*

Step 1 - $\left(\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{-4}{7}\right) = \left(\frac{2}{3} \frac{-4}{7}\right)$

Step 2 - $\left(\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{-4}{7}\right) =$ _____

Step 3 - Is $\frac{-8}{21}$ Simplest form _____

Step 4 - Thus, the product of two rational numbers $\left(\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{-4}{7}\right) = \frac{-8}{21}$ is also a _____.



4) **Closure property of division:** The quotient of any two rational numbers is may or may not be a

5) Which of the following demonstrates the closure property of division for any two rational numbers $\frac{a}{b}$ and $\frac{c}{d}$?

a) $\frac{a}{b} \div \frac{c}{d}$ is an integer

b) $\frac{a}{b} \div \frac{c}{d}$ is a rational number

c) $\frac{a}{b} \times \frac{c}{d}$ is a whole number

d) both a and c

6) If $a = \frac{1}{4}$, $b = \frac{5}{3}$, then show that the quotient of a and b follows the closure property of division ?

Step 1 - $\left(\frac{1}{4} \div \frac{5}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{3}{5}\right)$

Step 2 - $\left(\frac{1}{4} \div \frac{5}{3}\right) = \frac{3}{20}$

Step 3 - Thus, the quotient of two rational numbers $\left(\frac{1}{4} \div \frac{5}{3}\right) = \frac{3}{20}$ is also a

7) $\frac{2}{3} \div 0 = \text{.....}$