

Adding & Subtracting Rational Numbers Part 2

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Mathematics 9
Rational Numbers
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Part 2

A. Adding & Subtracting with Mixed Numbers

It is generally easiest if you change the Mixed Numbers into Improper Fractions before trying to add or subtract. **Remember to pay particular attention to the integer rules when working with the numbers.**

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(-3\frac{1}{4}\right) + 2\frac{2}{3} \\ & -\frac{13 \times 3}{4 \times 3} + \frac{8 \times 4}{3 \times 4} \\ & \frac{-39}{12} + \frac{32}{12} \\ & = \boxed{-\frac{7}{12}} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(-3\frac{1}{2}\right) - \left(-1\frac{1}{5}\right) \\ & -3\frac{1}{2} + 1\frac{1}{5} \\ & -\frac{7 \times 5}{2 \times 5} + \frac{6 \times 2}{5 \times 2} \\ & \frac{-35}{10} + \frac{12}{10} \\ & = \boxed{-\frac{23}{10} \text{ or } -2\frac{3}{10}} \end{aligned}$$

B. Practice Questions

$$1) 1\frac{1}{3} - \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$\frac{4}{3} + \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{2}{3}}$$

$$2) \left(-4\frac{3}{4}\right) + 2\frac{1}{4}$$

$$\frac{-19}{4} + \frac{9}{4}$$

$$= -\frac{10}{4} \div 2$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-5}{2} \text{ or } -2\frac{1}{2}}$$

$$3) \left(1\frac{3}{4}\right) - \left(4\frac{5}{8}\right)$$

$$\frac{1}{4} + \frac{-4\frac{5}{8}}$$

$$\frac{7^{x2}}{4^{x2}} + \frac{-37}{8}$$

$$\frac{14}{8} + \frac{-37}{8}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-23}{8} \text{ or } -2\frac{7}{8}}$$

$$4) 3\frac{1}{2} + \left(-2\frac{1}{4}\right)$$

$$\frac{7^{x2}}{2^{x2}} + \frac{-9}{4}$$

$$\frac{14}{4} + \frac{-9}{4}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{5}{4} \text{ or } 1\frac{1}{4}}$$

$$5) \left(-5\frac{1}{2}\right) - \left(-2\frac{3}{5}\right)$$

$$-5\frac{1}{2} + 2\frac{3}{5}$$

$$-\frac{11^{x5}}{2^{x5}} + \frac{13^{x2}}{5^{x2}}$$

$$-\frac{55}{10} + \frac{26}{10}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{-29}{10} \text{ or } -2\frac{9}{10}}$$

$$6) 6 + \left(-3\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$\frac{6^{x4}}{1^{x4}} + \frac{-15}{4}$$

$$\frac{24}{4} + \frac{-15}{4}$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{9}{4} \text{ or } 2\frac{1}{4}}$$

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1. $3\frac{7}{8} + 1\frac{7}{8}$

2. $2\frac{3}{5} - 1\frac{2}{7}$

3. $\left(-4\frac{1}{2}\right) - 1\frac{1}{3}$

4. $\frac{3}{8} - 2\frac{1}{4}$

5. $2\frac{1}{5} - \left(-1\frac{3}{4}\right)$

6. $1\frac{5}{8} - 3$

7. $4\frac{1}{2} + \left(-\frac{5}{6}\right)$

8. $\left(-1\frac{1}{4}\right) - 2\frac{1}{6}$

$$9. 3\frac{2}{3} + \left(-1\frac{3}{4}\right)$$

$$10. 2 - 4\frac{1}{3}$$

$$11. 1\frac{3}{8} - \left(-\frac{5}{6}\right)$$

$$12. \frac{7}{9} + \left(-1\frac{1}{5}\right)$$

$$13. (-5) + 2\frac{1}{4}$$

$$14. \left(-\frac{7}{27}\right) - 1\frac{2}{3}$$

$$15. \left(-2\frac{5}{8}\right) - 3\frac{1}{6}$$

$$16. \frac{7}{10} + \left(-3\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

Answers

1) $\frac{23}{4}$

2) $\frac{46}{35}$

3) $-\frac{35}{6}$

4) $-\frac{15}{8}$

5) $\frac{119}{20}$

6) $-\frac{11}{8}$

7) $\frac{11}{3}$

8) $-\frac{41}{12}$

9) $\frac{23}{12}$

10) $-\frac{7}{3}$

11) $\frac{53}{24}$

12) $-\frac{19}{45}$

13) $-\frac{11}{4}$

14) $-\frac{52}{27}$

15) $-\frac{139}{24}$

16) $-\frac{14}{5}$