Negative numbers

- Using a number line for positive and negative numbers
- Adding and subtracting negative numbers

Keywords

You should know

explanation 1

Decreasing Increasing 10

- 1 Use the number line to help you find the missing terms in these sequences.

 - **a** $4, 2, 0, \square, \square$, \square **b** $5, 3, 1, \square, \square$, \square **c** $6, 3, 0, \square, \square$,

- **d** $-3, -1, 1, \square, \square, \square$ **e** $-4, -2, 0, \square, \square, \square$ **f** $8, 5, \square, \square, -4, \square$

- **g** $10, \square, 4, \square, -2, \square$ **h** $-9, \square, -1, \square, 7, \square$ **i** $-5, \square, 0, \square, \square, 7.5$
- **2** Describe each of the sequences in question **1** as either increasing or decreasing.
- **3** Write these numbers in order of size, smallest first.
 - **a** 4, 7, -3, 0, -2, -5

b 6, -4, -10, 3, -5, 0

 \mathbf{c} 0, 2, -1, -9, -3, -6

- **d** 2.3, -1, -3, -4.2, -3.8
- e -1.2, -0.7, 0.1, 7.2, -2
 - **f** 1, -7.2, -1.8, -3, -1.75
- 4 Copy and complete. Use the symbols < and > to compare these pairs of numbers.

< means 'is less than' > means 'is greater than'

- **a** $-6 \square -3$ **b** $0 \square -2$ **c** $-7 \square -10$ **d** $-1 \square 8$
- **e** $-31 \square -20$ **f** $-15 \square -19$ **g** $-5.2 \square -5$ **h** $-4.9 \square -5$

- **5** Increase each of these numbers by 5.
 - **a** 7
- **b** -2 **c** -8 **d** -5

- **e** -9 **f** -1

- $\mathbf{g} 20$ **h** -100

6 Decrease each of these numbers by 7.

a 11

b 3

c 0

d 2

e -1

f -4

 $\mathbf{g} - 30$

h -50

- 7 One morning in March, the outside temperature was -3 °C. By midday this had risen to 12 °C. By how much had the temperature increased?
- **8** On a cold day, wind chill can make it *feel* even colder. If the wind chill is -10 °C, then a temperature of 4 °C would feel like −6 °C. What does each of these temperatures feel like with a wind chill of −10 °C?

a 1 °C

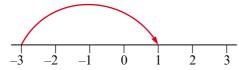
b 3°C

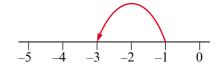
c −2°C

explanation 2

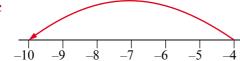
9 Write down the calculation represented by each diagram.

a

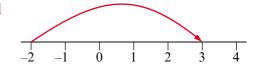




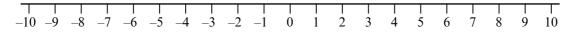
c



d



10 Work out the calculations, using the number line.



a 3-8 **b** -9+7 **c** -3-6

d -8 + 1

e -10 + 10 **f** -5 + 15 **g** -3 + 11 **h** -6 + 12

11 Work out the following calculations.

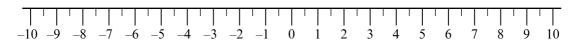
a -7+3+1 **b** -9+5+7 **c** 2-6-4 **d** -10+5+9

12 Add 6 to each of the numbers, using the number line.

a 2.5

b -0.5 **c** -3.5 **d** -7.5

13 Subtract 4 from each of these numbers.



- **a** 3.5
- **b** 1.5
- c -2.5
- d -5.5
- **14** Add 7.5 to each of these numbers.
- **a** -3 **b** -1 **c** -8
 - **d** -10

- **e** -2.5 **f** -5.5 **g** -7.5 **h** -9.5
- **15** Use the number line to help you find these values.



- a −2 is decreased by 0.4
- \mathbf{b} -3 is increased by 0.2
- c −1 is decreased by 0.9
- **d** 0.3 is added to -1
- e 1.1 is subtracted from −2
- f 2 is added to -0.4
- **16** Copy and complete these calculations.

- **a** $-6 + \square = 3$ **b** $2 \square = -8$ **c** $-1 + \square = 6$ **d** $-3 \square \square = -7$
- **e** -5 \Box = 3 **f** -7 \Box = -10 **g** -2 \Box = -6 **h** -4 \Box = 1
- i $\Box + 8 = 7$ i $\Box 6 = -4$ k $\Box + 5 = -4$ l $\Box 9 = -10$

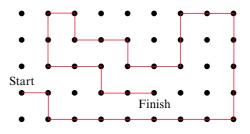
explanation 3

17 Copy and complete the table to show two sets of equivalent instructions.

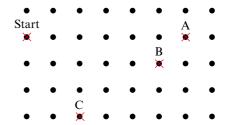
Instruction using positive numbers	Instruction using negative numbers
Move 3 places to the left	
	Move −5 places up
	Increase by −3
	Move −8 places to the right
Decrease by 4	

18 The diagram shows the path taken by a robot. The first two stages can be described as right 1, up -1. Describe the remaining stages in the

same way, without using left or down.



19 a Copy the diagram and draw the path described by these instructions. right 3, up 1, right 1, up -3, right 2, up 1, right 1, up -2, right -4, up 2, right -1, up -2



- **b** Which of the points A, B or C is the finish point?
- **20** Rewrite the following statements without using negative numbers.
 - a The ship travelled -50 miles north.
 - **b** In the evening, the temperature rose by -8 °C.
 - c As the plane approached the airport, it gained -5000 ft in height.
 - d The car that Peter bought last year is now worth −£3200 more.
 - The population of the UK has fallen by -10 million since 1950.

explanation 4a

explanation 4b

- 21 Copy and complete the following statements.
 - a Adding -4 is the same as ...
- **b** Subtracting –10 is the same as ...

c $1 + -4 = 1 \square 4 = \square$

- **d** $16 -10 = 16 \square 10 = \square$
- e ... is the same as adding 9.
 - **f** ... is the same as subtracting 5.
- $\mathbf{g} -3 \square = -3 + 9 = \square$
- **h** $2 + \square = 2 5 = \square$
- **22** Work out these calculations.
 - **a** -2 + -6 **b** 4 -5 **c** -3 -3 **d** -4 -7

- **e** 8 + -9 **f** 0 -4 **g** -10 + -1 **h** -12 -13
- i -3 -2 i 5 + -6
- k 10 + -0.5
- 1.3.5 -0.5

23 Copy and complete these calculations.

a
$$-5 - -7 = -5 \square 7 = \square$$

b
$$3 + -10 = 3 \square 10 = \square$$

$$-8 \square -9 = -8 \square 9 = 1$$

d
$$5 + \square = 5 - \square = -6$$

e
$$-4 \square -3 = -4 \square 3 = -7$$
 f $\square + -8 = -10$

f
$$\Box$$
 + -8 = -10

$$g \quad \Box - -9 = -1$$

- **h** $-6 + \square = -11$
- **24** Copy and complete these addition and subtraction grids.

a	+	-7	3	0	
		-11			
	-2				-6
	0				
		·	-2	·	

-	-1	-3		6
5	6			
-3			-8	
	0			
-7				

c	_	2	4	-6	
	-3	-5			
	2				
		-3			
	-5				-4

+	1	-4	-1	
	-3			-7
-5				
-2				
				-9

25 In a magic square, each row, column and diagional has the same total. Copy and complete these two magic squares.

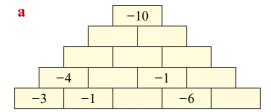
a

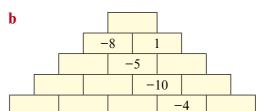
2	0	-7	9
	5		-2
	-6		
-3		6	

b

7			-6
		-1	4
-2	3		
0		6	-5

26 Copy and complete these addition pyramids.





- **27** a Find two numbers that have a sum of 4 and a difference of 10.
 - **b** Find three consecutive numbers that total -12.
 - c If 20 + x < 20, what can you say about x?