Mathematics

Grade Seven Sample Test Item—Communicating Reasoning Achievement Level: Standard Nearly Met

Click in the box next to the two statements that are always true for all real numbers a and b.

Statement 1
The sum of –a and b is greater than 1.
Statement 2
The sum of –a and a equals 0.
Statement 3
a - (-b) = a - b = -b + a
Statement 4
a - b = a + -b = -b + a

Area	Communicating Reasoning Demonstrating ability to support mathematical conclusions
Standard(s)	Apply and extend previous understandings of addition and subtraction to add and subtract rational numbers; represent addition and subtraction on a horizontal or vertical number line diagram.
Answer	Statement 2 and Statement 4