

**\*\*Title: Understanding Integers - A Complete Guide for Indian School Students\*\***

## **\*\*Page 1: Introduction to Integers\*\***

Welcome, students! In this guide, we will explore the world of **\*\*integers\*\***. Integers are one of the most important topics in mathematics, especially from Class 6 onwards. Whether you're measuring temperatures, counting money, or checking cricket scores, integers are everywhere!

**\*\*Definition\*\***: Integers are whole numbers that can be **\*\*positive\*\***, **\*\*negative\*\***, or **\*\*zero\*\***.

Examples: -5, -2, 0, 3, 7

## **\*\*Page 2: The Set of Integers\*\***

The set of integers is written as:

$$\mathbf{Z = \{..., -5, -4, -3, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, ...\}}$$

This includes:

- **\*\*Positive Integers\*\***: 1, 2, 3, ...
- **\*\*Negative Integers\*\***: -1, -2, -3, ...
- **\*\*Zero (0)\*\***: Neither positive nor negative

Integers can be shown on a **\*\*number line\*\***.

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-4 -3 -2 -1 0 1 2 3 4

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- Numbers to the right are larger
- Numbers to the left are smaller
- Zero is at the center

## **\*\*Page 4: Comparing Integers\*\***

To compare integers:

- A positive number is always greater than a negative number
- Among negatives, the number with **\*\*smaller absolute value\*\*** is greater

Examples:

$$-3 > -2$$

$$-2 > -5$$

## **\*\*Page 5: Absolute Value\*\***

The **\*\*absolute value\*\*** of a number is its distance from zero, without considering sign.

Examples:

-  $|5| = 5$

-  $|-5| = 5$

-  $|0| = 0$

Absolute value is always **\*\*non-negative\*\***.

**\*\*Page 6: Addition of Integers (Same Signs)\*\***

When both integers have the **\*\*same sign\*\***:

- Add the values
- Keep the same sign

Examples:

-  $(-3) + (-5) = -8$

-  $(+4) + (+2) = +6$



**\*\*Page 7: Addition of Integers (Different Signs)\*\***

When the integers have **\*\*different signs\*\***:

- Subtract the smaller absolute value from the larger
- Keep the sign of the larger number

Examples:

-  $(+7) + (-3) = +4$

-  $(-9) + (+5) = -4$

## **\*\*Page 8: Subtraction of Integers\*\***

Subtraction is like adding the opposite:

Rule:  $a - b = a + (-b)$

Examples:

$$- 5 - 3 = 2$$

$$- 5 - (-3) = 5 + 3 = 8$$

$$- (-4) - (+2) = -4 + (-2) = -6$$

## **\*\*Page 9: Multiplication of Integers\*\***

Rules:

$$- (+) \times (+) = +$$

$$- (-) \times (-) = +$$

$$- (+) \times (-) = -$$

$$- (-) \times (+) = -$$

Examples:

$$- 3 \times 4 = 12$$

$$- (-2) \times (-3) = 6$$

$$- (-5) \times 2 = -10$$

**\*\*Page 10: Division of Integers\*\***

Rules are similar to multiplication:

$$- (+) / (+) = +$$

$$- (-) / (-) = +$$

$$- (+) / (-) = -$$

$$- (-) / (+) = -$$

Examples:

$$- 10 / 2 = 5$$

$$- (-12) / (-4) = 3$$

$$- 12 / (-3) = -4$$

**\*\*Page 11: Properties of Integers\*\***

- **\*\*Closure\*\***:  $a + b$  is an integer
- **\*\*Commutative\*\***:  $a + b = b + a$
- **\*\*Associative\*\***:  $(a + b) + c = a + (b + c)$
- **\*\*Distributive\*\***:  $a(b + c) = ab + ac$

**\*\*Page 12: Word Problems (Addition & Subtraction)\*\***

1. Riya deposits Rs.500 in her account and later withdraws Rs.200. What is the final balance?
2. Temperature at 6 am is  $-4^{\circ}\text{C}$ . It rises by  $6^{\circ}\text{C}$ . What is the new temperature?
3. A lift is on the 2nd floor. It goes down 5 floors. Which floor is it on now?
4. A submarine is 800m below sea level. It rises 300m. Where is it now?

**\*\*Page 13: Word Problems (Multiplication & Division)\*\***

1. A loss of Rs.20 per item on 5 items. What is the total loss?
2. Dividing -30 among 5 people. How much does each person get?
3. Each day the temperature drops by  $2^{\circ}\text{C}$ . What is the total drop in 6 days?
4. A company lost Rs.5000 over 10 months. What is the average monthly loss?

**\*\*Page 14: Daily Life Uses of Integers\*\***

- Temperature (weather reports)
- Bank balance (profit/loss)
- Cricket score (runs scored/lost)
- Elevator levels (above and below ground)
- Exams (marks gained/lost)



**\*\*Page 15: Fun Activity - Integer Game\*\***

Play a number line jump:

- Positive jump to the right
- Negative jump to the left
- Start at 0 and keep score!

You can create your own board game using these rules. Try playing with friends and see who scores highest!

**\*\*Page 16: Common Mistakes to Avoid\*\***

- Forgetting sign during operations
- Mixing up subtraction rules
- Thinking  $-3$  is more than  $-1$  (It's not!)

Always draw a number line to help!

**\*\*Page 17: Practice Worksheet (Part 1)\*\***

1.  $(-3) + 5 = ?$

2.  $7 - (-4) = ?$

3.  $-8 \times -2 = ?$

4.  $12 \div (-3) = ?$

5. Arrange: -4, 2, 0, -1, 3

6. Find  $|-9|$

7.  $(-6) + (-3) = ?$

8.  $(-15) - (-5) = ?$

9. A plane is at -500 ft. It climbs 1200 ft. Where is it now?

10. Bank balance starts at 0, deposit Rs.1000, withdraw Rs.1500. Balance?

**\*\*Page 19: Summary of Key Points\*\***

- Integers include negative numbers, zero, and positive numbers
- Zero is neutral
- Use number line for clarity
- Follow sign rules carefully in operations
- Practice word problems regularly

**\*\*Page 20: More Word Problems to Solve\*\***

1. The temperature in Shimla is  $-2^{\circ}\text{C}$ . It drops by  $5^{\circ}\text{C}$  at night. What is the new temperature?
2. Ravi had Rs.250. He bought a book for Rs.320. How much more money does he need?
3. A ship is sailing at 40m below sea level. It dives 70m more. What is its new position?
4. A cricket team scores 250 runs. In the next match, they score 45 runs less. What is their score?
5. A farmer made Rs.1000 profit in the first month and Rs.600 loss in the second. What is the total profit/loss?

Congratulations! You have now mastered the basics of **\*\*integers\*\***!