

0.1 Mixed Foundations Review

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Chapter 0 — Absolute Foundations

Show all work. Use PEMDAS. Rewrite subtraction as “add the opposite.” Distribute to every term. Keep track of negative signs carefully.

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Skills This Review Mixes

- **Integers & signs:** adding/subtracting negatives; multiplying/dividing signs; rewriting subtraction.
- **Distributive property:** $a(b + c) = ab + ac$ and $-(b - c) = -b + c$.
- **Order of operations:** parentheses, exponents, multiply/divide left to right, add/subtract left to right.
- **Simplify & solve:** combine like terms, then isolate the variable.

Part A — Evaluate & Simplify (Warm-Up)

Evaluate or simplify.

1. $8 - 3 \cdot (5 - 7)$

2. $-12 + 4 \cdot 3 - 6$

3. $24 \div 3 \cdot 2 - 5$

$$4. -(6 - 14) + 2^3$$

$$5. -3(2 - (5 - 9))$$

$$6. 5 - (3 - (2 - 7))$$

$$7. -2^3 + 10$$

$$8. (-2)^3 + 10$$

Part B — Distribute, Then Combine Like Terms

Simplify completely.

$$1. -(x + 7) + 3x$$

$$2. 2(3x - 5) - (x - 4)$$

$$3. -(4x - 9) - 2(x + 3)$$

$$4. 5 - 3(2x - 1)$$

$$5. -2(3y - 8) + (y - 5)$$

$$6. 4(2a - (a - 6))$$

$$7. -(2m - 3n + 4) + 2(m + n)$$

Part C — Solve Equations (Watch the Signs)

Solve for the variable. Check by substitution when you can.

$$1. \ x - 9 = -4$$

$$2. \ -7 = x + 3$$

$$3. \ -3x = 24$$

$$4. \ \frac{x}{-6} = -5$$

$$5. \ 2x - 5 = 11$$

$$6. \ -4x + 9 = -19$$

$$7. \ 3(x - 4) = -18$$

$$8. \ -2(x + 7) = 10$$

$$9. \ 5 - (x - 3) = -4$$

$$10. \ 2(3x - 1) - 4 = 8$$

Part D — Multi-Step (All Skills Together)

Simplify first, then solve.

$$1. \ 3 - (2x - 7) = 10$$

$$2. \ -(4x - 5) + 2x = 13$$

$$3. \ 2(x - 6) - 3(x + 1) = -8$$

$$4. \ 5(2x - 3) + 4 = 3(3x + 2)$$

$$5. \ \frac{1}{2}(6x - 8) - (x - 3) = 5$$

Challenge (optional)

These are harder. Take your time and write neat steps.

1. A student earns \$12 per hour. They worked 5 hours, but had a \$8 fee taken out. Write and evaluate an expression for their pay.

2. The temperature was -3°F . Overnight it dropped 7 degrees, then rose 5 degrees. What is the final temperature?

3. Solve and interpret: $-2(x - 4) + 3 = 17$. (What number makes the equation true?)
4. True or false? Explain: $-(a - b) = -a - b$.