

KEY Order of Operations

Riddles for Hands-On Learning

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1. $3 + 7 \cdot |2 \div 2| = 45$

Level 1

2. $3 \cdot 7 - |2 + 2| = 11$

No parentheses or exponents. Just addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

3. $3 \cdot 7 - |2 \div 2| = 15$

4. $3 + 7 \cdot |2 - 2| = 85$

5. $3 \cdot 7 + (|2 - 2|) = 31$

Level 2

6. $3 \cdot (7 + |2|) - 2 = 55$

Parentheses are introduced.

7. $(3 + 7) \cdot |2 \div 2| = 60$

No exponents.

8. $3 \cdot (7 + |2 - 2|) = 51$

9. $3 \cdot 7 + |2 - 2^2| = 29$

Level 3

10. $(3 + 7^2 - |2|) \div 2 = 20$

Includes all four operations, parentheses, and exponents.

11. $(3^3 - 7) + |2 \div 2| = 26$

12. $3^3 + 7^2 - (|2 \cdot 2|) = 52$

I Have It: Order of Operations ~ With Exponents - Key

- : start $3 \cdot 9 + 6^2$
- : 63 $19 + (4^2 - 8)$
- : 27 $3^2 \cdot 5 - (6 \div 3)^2$
- : 41 $18 - 4^2 + 23$
- : 25 $24 \div 2^3 \cdot 6$
- : 18 $20 \div 4 + 2^3$
- : 13 $93 - (5 + 8^2)$
- : 24 $(14 \div 2)^2 + 86$
- : 135 $67 - (42 \div 6 + 5^2)$
- : 35 end

Evaluate each expression.

How to Evaluate
an Expression
Using the Order
of Operations

- 1) Do operations inside Parentheses.
- 2) Evaluate Exponents.
- 3) Multiply and Divide in order from left to right.
- 4) Add and Subtract in order from left to right.

1 $4 + 2(6 + 3^2)$ ← simplify the exponent
 \downarrow
 $4 + 2(6 + 9)$ ← add within parentheses
 \downarrow
 $4 + 2(15)$ ← multiply 2×15
 \downarrow
 $4 + 30$ ← add

2 $12 \div 2 + 3 \times 7$ ← Divide
 \downarrow
 $\underline{\quad} + 3 \times 7$ ← Multiply
 \downarrow
 $\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad}$ ← Add

3 $5(8 - 3)$
 \downarrow
 $5 \times \underline{\quad}$

4 $4^2 + 6 \times 3$
 \downarrow
 $\underline{\quad} + 6 \times 3$
 \downarrow
 $\underline{\quad} + \underline{\quad}$

5 $(6 + 24) \div 5$
 \downarrow
 $\underline{\quad} \div 5$

Remember: This means
to multiply the value in
the parentheses by 5.

6 $(9 + 7) - (2 \times 4)$
 \downarrow
 $\underline{\quad} - \underline{\quad}$

7 $5^2 \div 5$
 \downarrow
 $\underline{\quad} \div 5$

8 $26 - 2 \times 3^2$



Look at Problem 8. Draw a circle around the first thing you should do to evaluate the expression.



