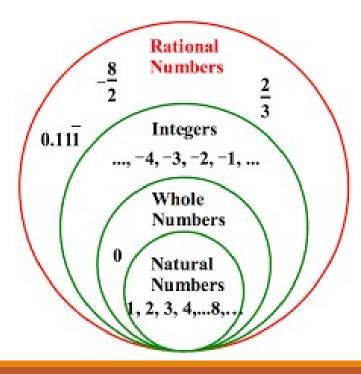
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CHAPTER 3

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RATIONAL NUMBERS – any number that can be written as a fraction.



Integers

Integers greater than 0 are called – positive integers.

Integers less than 0 are called negative integers.

0 is neither positive nor negative.

On a number line integers are ordered from smallest to largest from left to right. So any number on the left of another number on a number line is smaller. Any number on the right is bigger.

Integers in the real world.

Integers in Real Life

POSITIVE NUMBERS	NEGATIVE NUMBERS
Yards gained in football	Yards lost in football
Distance above sea level	Distance below sea level
Money deposited in bank	Money withdrawn from bank
Students adding a class	Students dropping a class
Points given for good behavior	Points taken for bad behavior
Price increases	Price cuts
Stock market gains	Stock market losses
Calories in a meal	Calories burned in exercise