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RULES FOR Adding Integers

	Record Observations	A Few Examples	Write a Rule in Complete Sentences
Both integers are positive.			
Both integers are negative.			
One integer is positive and one is negative.			



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RULES FOR SUBTRACTING INTEGERS

	Record Observations	A Few Examples	Write a Rule in Complete Sentences
positive minus positive			
positive minus negative			
negative minus positive			
negative minus negative			



Note to teacher: This second version (following two pages) offers more guidance.

You can use this version if your students are younger or need more structure to guide them.

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Both integers are positive			
Both integers are negative			
One integer is positive and one is negative. The positive one has greater absolute value.			
One integer is positive and one is negative. The negative one has greater absolute value.			



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		Record Observations	A Few Examples	Write a Rule in Complete Sentences
positive minus positive	First integer has greater absolute value			
	Second integer has greater absolute value.			
positive minus negative	First integer has greater absolute value			
	Second integer has greater absolute value.			
negative minus positive	First integer has greater absolute value			
	Second integer has greater absolute value.			
negative minus negative	First integer has greater absolute value			
	Second integer has greater absolute value.			

