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## Introduction

The Advantage Math Series for grades 3-8 offers instruction and practice for key skills in each math strand recommended by the National Council for Teachers of Mathematics (NCTM), including

- numeration and number theory
- operations
- geometry
- measurement
- patterns, functions, and algebra
- data analysis and probability
- problem solving

Take a look at all the advantages this math series offers . . .

## Strong Skill Instruction

- The teaching component at the top of the activity pages provides the support students need to work through the book independently.
- Plenty of skill practice pages will ensure students master essential math computation skills they need to increase their math fluency.
- A problem-solving strand is woven within skill practice pages to offer students an opportunity to practice critical-thinking skills.



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- Mixed-practice pages include a variety of math concepts on one workbook page. This challenges students to think through each problem rather than rely on a predictable format.


## Assessment

- The "Take a Test Drive" pages provide practice using a test-taking format such as those included in national standardized and proficiency tests.
- The tracking sheet provides a place to record the number of right answers scored on each activity page. Use this as a motivational tool for students to strive for 100\% accuracy.


## Answer Key

- Answers for each page are provided at the back of the books to make checking answers quick and easy.



## Comparing and Ordering Numbers

1
To compare and order numbers, start with the greatest place value. If these are identical, continue until you come to a place value where the numbers differ.

To compare 356,197 and 356,917 to find the greater number, you can use a place-value chart:

| Hundred-Thousands | Ten-Thousands | Thousands | Hundreds | Tens | Ones |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3 | 5 | 6, | 1 | 9 | 7 |
| 3 | 5 | 6, | 9 | 1 | 7 |

Working from left to right, the digits in each place are identical until you reach the hundreds place. You can say that 356,917 is greater than 356,197 because 9 is greater than 1 .

Circle the greatest number in each pair.

| (1) | $1,565,378$ | $1,565,738$ | 29,005 | 29,505 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (2) 2,987 | 2,978 | 361,461 | 361,416 |  |
| ( 75 | 76,246 | 76,264 | $5,632,765$ | $5,632,675$ |
| (4) 413 | 431 | 557,149 | 575,941 |  |

Write the numbers in order from greatest to least.
5 27,419; 27,194; 27,914
386,143; 368,413; 386,341
( 43,$548 ; 43,458 ; 43,845$ 512,876; 215,786; 521,876

The attendance at some baseball games over the past six days is shown in the table to the right.
7) Put the attendance per day in order from least to greatest.

| Day | Attendance |
| :--- | :--- |
| Monday | 35,167 |
| Tuesday | 35,716 |
| Wednesday | 53,617 |
| Thursday | 53,716 |
| Friday | 35,671 |
| Saturday | 53,167 |

## Comparing and Ordering Integers

## 2

 t Integers are all the positive whole numbers, zero, and their opposites (...-3, $-2,-1,0,1,2,3$ ).A number line is useful in comparing integers. As the integers move from left to right on the number line, they are ordered from least to greatest.


Compare. Use < or >.
(1) $-6 \bigcirc-8$



(2) $+7 \bigcirc-3$



0

(3) $-10 \bigcirc+2$
$-6 \bigcirc+8$

$+1 \bigcirc-1$
(4) +12

$-10 \bigcirc+10$

$-2 \bigcirc 0$

Order the integers from greatest to least.
5. $0,-4,+6,-3$
$-9,-5,-6,0$
$-7,-5,0,+10,-10$
(6) $-2,+3,+2,+8,-10$
$-4,+8,0,-5$
$+13,+10,-5,-6,-4,+7$
7. The chart below shows the temperatures for the last five days. Place these temperatures in order from least to greatest.

| Day | Temperature |
| :--- | :--- |
| Monday | $-5^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ |
| Tuesday | $-7^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ |
| Wednesday | $0^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ |
| Thursday | $3^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ |
| Friday | $2^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ |

## Comparing and Ordering Fractions and Decimals

3
To compare and order decimals, line up the decimal points. Then, beginning at the left, find the first place where the digits differ.
Continue comparing places from left to right.
0.786
0.867
0.768

These decimals in order from greatest to least are $0.867,0.786,0.768$.

To compare and order fractions, convert to equivalent fractions with the least common denominator (LCD), and then compare the numerators.
$4 / 5,2 / 3,1 / 2$

$$
\begin{aligned}
& 4 / 5=26 / 30 \\
& 2 / 3=20 / 30 \\
& 1 / 2=15 / 30
\end{aligned}
$$

These fractions are written in order from least to greatest as follows:

$$
1 / 2,2 / 3,4 / 5
$$

Order these fractions from least to greatest.
(1) $\frac{3}{4}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{7}{8}$
$\frac{7}{10}, \frac{5}{8}, \frac{2}{3}$
$\frac{5}{7}, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{5}$
(2) $\frac{3}{10}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}$
$\frac{5}{9}, \frac{5}{8}, \frac{4}{7}$
$\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{5}$

3 As part of her science experiment, Joan recorded the heights of some seedlings grown under varying conditions. Compare and order these seedlings from smallest to tallest.

| Seedling Number | Height |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1 | 0.895 cm |
| 2 | 0.983 cm |
| 3 | 0.985 cm |
| 4 | 0.598 cm |
| 5 | 0.893 cm |

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## Comparing and Ordering Fractions and Integers

4
Fractions and integers may be compared and ordered using a number line. Remember that as we move from left to right on the number line, numbers are ordered from least to greatest. Fractions and mixed numbers fall between whole numbers.


Order these fractions and integers from least to greatest.
(1) $2 \frac{1}{5},-3,0,-\frac{1}{9}, 2 \frac{1}{2},-6$
$\frac{3}{4}, \quad 1, \quad-4 \frac{1}{5} \quad-1, \quad 3, \quad-\frac{7}{8}$
(2) $-4,-2,2,-3 \frac{1}{8}, 3 \frac{1}{5}, 4$
$-2,9,-\frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{6},-4, \frac{3}{5}$
(3) $7,2,-3,-\frac{1}{9}, 2 \frac{1}{2},-6$
$6, \quad 1, \quad-4 \frac{1}{5}, \quad-1, \quad 3, \quad-\frac{7}{8}$
(4) $-1 \frac{1}{2},-3,-6 \frac{1}{5},-\frac{1}{9}$
$2 \frac{1}{2}, \quad 1, \quad-4 \frac{1}{5}, \quad-1, \quad 3, \quad-\frac{7}{8}$
5. $0, \frac{1}{8},-5 \frac{1}{5}, 3 \frac{1}{3},-\frac{1}{2}$
$7,-7,0, \frac{5}{6},-\frac{5}{6}, 3 \frac{1}{2}$
(6) $10,-10, \frac{3}{4},-\frac{3}{4}, 1 \frac{3}{5}$
$0, \quad 8, \quad-8, \quad-\frac{5}{6}, \quad \frac{5}{6}, \quad 2 \frac{7}{8}$
(7) An airplane is flying $21 / 2$ miles above the ocean's surface. A submarine is $13 / 4$ miles beneath the surface. Which craft is closer to the ocean's surface? Explain your answer.

