



KS3.M-N7 Negative Numbers

AQA KS3.M-N7 · Calculators not allowed · about 60 minutes

Name: _____ Date: ____ / ____ / ____

Answer ALL questions. Show all your working.

- 1** Write these numbers in order, starting with the smallest: -2, 5, -7, 0, 3

(2)

- 2** State which is larger: -4 or -9

(1)

- 3** On a number line mark the point that is 3 units to the right of -6. Write its value.

(1)

- 4** Calculate: $-3 + 7$

(1)

- 5** Calculate: $-8 - 5$

(1)

- 6** Calculate: $6 - (-2)$

(1)

7 Calculate: -4×3

(1)

8 Calculate: $-18 \div 6$

(1)

9 Work out: $-5 + 4 - (-2)$

(2)

10 Complete the missing value: $x + (-7) = -2$. Find x .

(2)

11 A hiker starts at 120 m above sea level. She walks down 250 m and then climbs 80 m. What is her final height above sea level?

(3)

12 A shop records a loss of 45 pounds on Monday and a profit of 30 pounds on Tuesday. What is the net change over the two days?

(2)

13 Calculate: $(-2) \times (-5) + (-3)$

(2)

14 Work out: $-20 \div (-4) - 2$

(2)

15 A thermometer reads -6 degrees at 6 am. By midday the temperature rises by 9 degrees. By evening it falls by 14 degrees. What is the temperature in the evening?

(3)

16 Sarah owes 28 pounds to a friend. She pays back 10 pounds and then borrows another 6 pounds. What is her final balance (negative means she still owes money)?

(3)

17 A small research submarine is at -80 m below sea level. It descends 30 m further and then rises 50 m. What is its final depth relative to sea level?

(3)

18 Calculate: $(-3) \times 4 + 5 - (-6)$

(3)

19 A hill walker starts at 450 m above sea level. He goes down 520 m, then climbs 95 m, then goes down another 30 m. What is his final height above sea level?

(4)

20 Solve the equation: $x - (-3) = -1$. Find x .

(2)

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Question 1

- **M1** convert to clear numeric order or compare negatives correctly
- **A1** correct order: -7, -2, 0, 3, 5 cao
- Answer: **-7, -2, 0, 3, 5**

Question 2

- **B1** correct answer stated: -4 oe
- Answer: **-4**

Question 3

- **B1** value -3 cao
- Answer: **-3**

Question 4

- **B1** 4 cao
- Answer: **4**

Question 5

- **B1** -13 cao
- Answer: **-13**

Question 6

- **B1** 8 cao
- Answer: **8**

Question 7

- **B1** -12 cao
- Answer: **-12**

Question 8

- **B1** -3 cao
- Answer: **-3**

Question 9

- **M1** shows correct method: $-5 + 4 = -1$ and then $-1 - (-2)$ or equivalent method
- **A1** 1 cao
- Answer: **1**

Question 10

- **M1** sets up or shows adding 7 to both sides or equivalent method
- **A1** $x = 5$ cao
- Answer: **5**

Question 11

- **M1** uses subtraction for going down: $120 - 250 = -130$ or equivalent
- **M1** adds the climb: $-130 + 80$ or shows correct sequence of operations
- **A1** -50 m cao
- Answer: **-50 m**

Question 12

- **M1** correct method: $-45 + 30$ or equivalent
- **A1** -15 pounds (loss) cao
- **Answer: -15 pounds**

Question 13

- **M1** multiply negatives correctly to get 10 then show addition of -3 or equivalent
- **A1** 7 cao
- **Answer: 7**

Question 14

- **M1** divides: $-20 \div -4 = 5$ or equivalent
- **A1** 3 cao
- **Answer: 3**

Question 15

- **M1** shows rise: $-6 + 9 = 3$ or equivalent
- **M1** shows fall: $3 - 14 = -11$ or equivalent sequence
- **A1** -11 degrees cao
- **Answer: -11 degrees**

Question 16

- **M1** shows paying back: $-28 + 10 = -18$ or equivalent
- **M1** shows borrowing again: $-18 - 6$ or equivalent
- **A1** -24 pounds cao
- **Answer: -24 pounds**

Question 17

- **M1** shows descent: $-80 - 30 = -110$ or equivalent
- **M1** shows rise: $-110 + 50$ or equivalent
- **A1** -60 m cao
- **Answer: -60 m**

Question 18

- **M1** correct multiplication: $(-3) \times 4 = -12$
- **M1** adds 5 correctly: $-12 + 5 = -7$
- **A1** -1 cao (after adding 6 from $-(-6)$)
- **Answer: -1**

Question 19

- **M1** first move: $450 - 520 = -70$ or equivalent
- **M1** second move: $-70 + 95 = 25$ or equivalent
- **M1** third move: $25 - 30 = -5$ or equivalent
- **A1** -5 m cao
- **Answer: -5 m**

Question 20

- **M1** adds 3 to both sides or shows equivalent method
- **A1** $x = -4$ cao
- **Answer: -4**