

## ABSOLUTE VALUE

Absolute value is a mathematical representation of \_\_\_\_\_.



The number 3 is 3 units away from zero, so  $|3| =$  \_\_\_\_\_.

NOTE: The vertical bars around the number 3 above is the mathematical symbol for absolute value.

The number -2 is 2 units away from zero, so  $|-2| =$  \_\_\_\_\_.

↳ example 1:  $|5-1|$

Since  $|5-1|$  is the mathematical way of saying "the distance between 5 and 1 on the number line", the answer is \_\_\_\_\_.

↳ example 2:  $|-3-5|$   
 $|-3-5| =$  \_\_\_\_\_

The opposite of a number:

The sum of a number and its opposite is always \_\_\_\_\_.

↳ example 3:

Find the opposite of each number:

a)  $-3 \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

b)  $10 \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

c)  $\frac{1}{2} \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

d)  $-\frac{3}{4} \rightarrow$  \_\_\_\_\_

Note: The opposite of  $-3$  is  $3$  which are BOTH three units away from zero on the number line.

## ABSOLUTE VALUE Practice Problems

1. Evaluate:

a)  $|4|$

b)  $|-6|$

c)  $|10 - 7|$

d)  $|-4 - 1|$

2. Find the opposite of each number

a)  $14$

b)  $-7$

c)  $-\frac{7}{8}$

3. What number is its own opposite?

4. What is the opposite of the absolute value of  $-2$ ?

5. What is the absolute value of the opposite of  $-5$ ?