Key Concept and Vocabulary

Associative Properties:

$$(a+b)+c=a+(b+c)$$

 $(a \cdot b) \cdot c=a \cdot (b \cdot c)$

Distributive Property:

$$a(b+c) = ab + ac$$
$$a(b-c) = ab - ac$$

Inverse Properties:

$$a + (-a) = -a + a = 0$$

$$a \cdot \frac{1}{a} = \frac{1}{a} \cdot a = 1, a \neq 0$$

Commutative Properties:

$$a + b = b + a$$

 $a \cdot b = b \cdot a$

Identity Properties:

$$a + 0 = 0 + a = a$$

 $a \cdot 1 = 1 \cdot a = a$

Multiplication Properties of 0 and -1:

$$a \cdot 0 = 0 \cdot a = 0$$

 $a \cdot (-1) = (-1) \cdot a = -a$



Skill Examples

Identify the property illustrated.

1.
$$-2 \cdot (7 \cdot 5) = -2 \cdot (5 \cdot 7)$$

Commutative Property of Multiplication

3.
$$3(6x + 2) = 18x + 6$$

Distributive Property

2.
$$(-8) \cdot 1 = -8$$

Identity Property of Multiplication

4.
$$(w+3)+7=w+(3+7)$$

Associative Property of Addition

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Identify the property illustrated.

5.
$$(9 \cdot 4) \cdot 5 = 9 \cdot (4 \cdot 5)$$

7.
$$2a + (-2a) = 0$$

9.
$$9m \cdot 0 = 0$$

11.
$$7n - 4n = (7 - 4)n$$

13.
$$x + (y + 6) = (x + y) + 6$$

6.
$$(-1) \cdot (-12) = 12$$

Mult. Prop. of
$$-1$$

8.
$$0 + 11c = 11c$$

Identity Prop. of Add.

10.
$$(5-2b)+3=(-2b+5)+3$$

12.
$$\frac{1}{15d} \cdot 15d = 1$$

14.
$$\left(\frac{1}{16}k\right)(-32) = (-32)\left(\frac{1}{16}k\right)$$