

Number Line: \mathbb{R}

$$\mathbb{Z} = \text{integers} = \{0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3, \dots\}$$

$$\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, 3, \dots\}$$

$x \in \mathbb{R} = \dots x \text{ is a real number}$
 \ is an element of

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

↑ this a represents a number.

$$\frac{a}{b} + \frac{c}{d} = \frac{a+c}{b+d}$$

$$\frac{5}{4} - - - - -$$

$$\overbrace{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{3}{4}} = \frac{1+3}{2+4} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$$

- Most Important Mind Fix:

Exponents Play Nicely w/ $\times \frac{1}{\cdot} \div$

$$\left(\frac{a}{b}\right)^s = \frac{a^s}{b^s}$$

$$(a \cdot b)^m = a^m b^m$$

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 $a^m \qquad \qquad \qquad b^n$

They do not play nicely
 w/ $+ \frac{1}{\cdot} \div$

$$(a+b)^s \neq a^s + b^s$$

$$(a-b)^s \neq a^s - b^s$$

$$(a+b)^2 = (a+b)(a+b)$$

$$= a^2 + 2ab + b^2$$

$$\frac{(a+b)^s}{(c+d)^s} = \left(\frac{a+b}{c+d}\right)^s$$