

MATC9 Ch5.1 Key Concepts 2 Subtracting Integers Worked Example

Example: Evaluate $(-3) - (-2)$.

Solution: To subtract an integer, add the opposite.

$$\begin{aligned}(-3) - (-2) &= (-3) + (+2) \\ &= -1\end{aligned}$$

Practice:

1. Evaluate $(-5) - (+3)$.

2. Evaluate $7 - (-5)$.

Answers: 1. -8 . 2. 12 .