

## Rules for Dividing Integers

Julia said that " $-36 \div 9 = 4$ ". Jonah disagreed with her and explained his reasoning this way:

1. To undo the division problem ( $-36 \div 9 = 4$ ), Julia would have to multiply  $9 \cdot 4$  and get  $-36$ .

That doesn't work.

2. So based on that,  $-36 \div 9 = -4$

Julia asked: "How about the answer to  $36 \div -9$ ?"

3. What do you think the answer to Julia's question should be? \_\_\_\_\_

**In general, to divide integers, follow the same rules for multiplying integers.**

$$(+)\div(+)=+$$

$$(+)\div(-)=-$$

$$(-)\div(-)=+$$

$$(-)\div(+)=-$$

4. Lila is \$20 in debt. Her three friends offered to help her by distributing her debt evenly among the four of them. Write Lila's debt as an integer, then write and solve a problem to show the integer that represents each person's debt now.

5. How many groups of " $-2$ " are in " $-34$ "? Write and solve a problem.

6.  $-18 \div 9 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

7.  $-51 \div (-17) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

8.  $160 \div (-20) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

9.  $(-15) \div (-15) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

10.  $(-1) \div (-1) \div (-1) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

11.  $-100 \div 25 \div (-4) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

12.  $20 \div (-2) \div (-2) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

13.  $(-18) \div (-6) \cdot (-2) =$  \_\_\_\_\_

14.  $(-81) \div (-9) \cdot 3 =$  \_\_\_\_\_

15.  $70 \div 2 \div (-1) =$  \_\_\_\_\_