



To: Teachers and subject advisors (Curriculum recovery focus)

Topic: Whole numbers (Integers-Grade 8-9)

Message Objective(s): To enable teachers expose learners on using different strategies when dealing with whole numbers to enhance conceptual understanding and skills mastery

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As we focus more on the recovery curriculum SA advisors during their teacher trainings are encouraged to emphasis different approaches and strategies that will help learners basic number concepts so that deep and sustainable learning is achieved. Teachers need to expose senior phase learners to the key properties of integers. The learners should be able to recognise and use the additive and multiplication inverses of integers. Use of word problems in context is encouraged and simple strategies of representation should be used to help them arrive at correct solutions. This will easily lead them towards mastery of different calculation techniques when working with integers. Reference is provided in the recovery planners and trackers which teachers are encouraged to utilise.

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Reference: : [www.nect.org.za/materials](http://www.nect.org.za/materials). (links to website documents)