# **Essential Question** How can you represent numbers that are less than 0?

less than 0

### ACTIVITY: Reading Thermometers

#### Work with a partner. The thermometers show the temperatures in four cities.

Honolulu, Hawaii Death Valley, California Anchorage, Alaska Seattle, Washington

Write each temperature. Then match each temperature with its most appropriate location.



e. How would you describe all the temperatures in relation to 0°F?

### **ACTIVITY:** Describing a Temperature

## Work with a partner. The thermometer shows the coldest temperature ever recorded in Seattle, Washington.

- a. What is the temperature?
- **b.** How do you write temperatures that are colder than this?
- **c.** Suppose the record for the coldest temperature in Seattle is broken by 10 degrees. What is the new coldest temperature? Draw a thermometer that shows the new coldest temperature.
- **d.** How is the new coldest temperature different from the temperatures in Activity 1?





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Integers

- In this lesson, you will
  understand positive and negative integers and use them to describe real-life situations.
- graph integers on a number line.

Learning Standards MACC.6.NS.3.5 MACC.6.NS.3.6a MACC.6.NS.3.6c

#### 3 **ACTIVITY:** Extending the System of Whole Numbers



less than 0?

activity help you represent numbers



b. Fold the paper with your number line around 0 so that the lines overlap. Make tick marks on the other side of the number line to match the tick marks for the whole numbers.



**STRUCTURE** Compare this number line to the thermometers from c. Activities 1 and 2. What do you think the new tick marks represent? How would you label them?

### What Is Your Answer?

Work with a partner.

- 4. IN YOUR OWN WORDS How can you represent numbers that are less than 0?
- 5. Describe another real-life example that uses numbers that are less than 0.
- **6. REASONING** How are the temperatures shown by the thermometers at the right similar? How are they different?
- 7. WRITING The temperature in a town on Thursday evening is 25°F. On Sunday morning, the temperature drops below 0°F. Write a story to describe what may have happened in the town. Be sure to include the temperatures for each day.





Use what you learned about positive and negative numbers to complete Exercises 4-7 on page 252.

#### 6.1 Lesson

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Key Vocabulary positive sign (+). positive numbers, +1negative numbers,

BigIdeasMath Com **Positive numbers** are greater than 0. They can be written with or without a

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**Negative numbers** are less than 0. They are written with a negative sign (-).

10.000

-5-20-10.000 $^{-1}$ 

+20

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Two numbers that are the same distance from 0 on a number line, but on opposite sides of 0, are called **opposites**. The opposite of 0 is 0.

## <sup>O</sup> Key Idea

#### Integers

Words **Integers** are the set of whole numbers and their opposites.



The Meaning of a Word **Opposite** When you sit across from your friend at

the lunch table, you sit **opposite** 

your friend.

EXAMPLE

#### ฦ Writing Positive and Negative Integers

Write a positive or negative integer that represents the situation.

#### a. A contestant gains 250 points on a game show.

Gains indicates a number greater than 0. So, use a positive integer.

+250, or 250

#### b. Gasoline freezes at 40 degrees below zero.

Below zero indicates a number less than 0. So, use a negative integer.

-40

### On Your Own

#### Write a positive or negative integer that represents the situation.

- **1.** A hiker climbs 900 feet up a mountain.
- 2. You have a debt of \$24.
- **3.** A student loses 5 points for being late to class.
- **4.** A savings account earns \$10.



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EXAMPLE

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**Graphing Integers** 

#### Graph each integer and its opposite.



**Real-Life Application** 

#### 3 EXAMPLE



Exercises 16-23

You deliver flowers to an office building. You enter at ground level and
go down 2 floors to make the first delivery. Then you go up 7 floors to
make the second delivery.

a. Write an integer that represents each position.



WHAT IF? In Example 3, you go up 9 floors to make the 9. second delivery. Write an integer that represents how you return to ground level.

### 6.1 Exercises



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### Vocabulary and Concept Check

1. VOCABULARY Which of the following numbers are integers?

$$8, -4.1, -9, \frac{1}{6}, 1.75, 22$$

- **2. OPEN-ENDED** Describe a real-life example that you can represent by -1200.
- **3. VOCABULARY** List three words or phrases used in real life that indicate negative numbers.



#### Graph the number that represents the situation on a number line.

- **4.** A football team loses 3 yards. **5.** The temperature is 6 degrees below zero.
- **6.** A person climbs 600 feet up a mountain. **7.** You earn \$15 raking leaves.

#### Write a positive or negative integer that represents the situation.

- 8. You withdraw \$42 from an account.
  9. An airplane climbs to 37,500 feet.
  10. The temperature rises 17 degrees.
  11. You lose 56 points in a video game.
  - **12.** A ball falls 350 centimeters.**13.** You receive 5 bonus points in class.
  - **14. STOCK MARKET** A stock market gains 83 points. The next day, the stock market loses 47 points. Write each amount as an integer.
  - **15. SCUBA DIVING** The world record for scuba diving is 318 meters below sea level. Write this as an integer.

#### Graph the integer and its opposite.

<b>2</b> 16. −5	<b>17.</b> -8	<b>18.</b> 14	<b>19.</b> 9
<b>20.</b> 30	<b>21.</b> -150	<b>22.</b> -32	<b>23.</b> 400

**24. ERROR ANALYSIS** Describe and correct the error in describing positive integers.



**25. TEMPERATURE** The highest temperature in February is 25°F. The lowest temperature in February is the opposite of the highest temperature. Graph both temperatures.

Identify the integer represented by the point on the number line.



- **30. TIDES** Use the information below.
  - Low tide is 1 foot below the average water level.
  - High tide is 5 feet higher than low tide.

Write an integer that represents the average water level relative to high tide.



- 31. REPEATED REASONING Choose any positive integer.
  - **a.** Find the opposite of the integer. **b.** Find the opposite of the integer in part (a).
  - **c.** What can you conclude about the opposite of the opposite of the integer? Is this true for all integers? Use a number line to justify your answer.
  - **d.** Describe the meaning of -(-(-6)). Find its value.
- **32.** In a game of tug-of-war, a team wins by pulling the flag over its goal line. The flag begins at 0. During a game, the flag moves 8 feet to the right, 12 feet to the left, and 13 feet back to the right. Did a team win? Explain.

