

## Algebraic Properties of Equality

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<i>Addition Property</i>	If $a = b$ , then $a + c = b + c$
<i>Subtraction Property</i>	If $a = b$ , then $a - c = b - c$
<i>Multiplication Property</i>	If $a = b$ , then $ac = bc$
<i>Division Property</i>	If $a = b$ , then $a \div c = b \div c$
<i>Substitution Property</i>	If $a = b$ , then $a$ can be substituted for $b$ in any equation or expression

## Reflexive, Symmetric, Transitive Properties of Equality

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<i>Reflexive Property</i>	<p><i>Things are equal to themselves.</i></p> <p>For any real number <math>a</math>, <math>a = a</math>.</p> <p>For any segment <math>\overline{AB}</math>, <math>\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AB}</math> and <math>AB = AB</math></p> <p>For any angle <math>\angle A</math>, <math>\angle A \cong \angle A</math> and <math>m\angle A = m\angle A</math></p>
<i>Symmetric Property</i>	<p><i>Equality goes both ways.</i></p> <p>For any real numbers <math>a</math> &amp; <math>b</math>, if <math>a = b</math>, then <math>b = a</math>.</p> <p>For any segments <math>\overline{AB}</math> and <math>\overline{CD}</math>, if <math>AB = CD</math>, then <math>CD = AB</math></p> <p>For any angles <math>\angle A</math> and <math>\angle B</math>, if <math>m\angle A = m\angle B</math>, then <math>m\angle B = m\angle A</math></p>
<i>Transitive Property</i>	<p><i>Two things both equal to a third thing are themselves equal.</i></p> <p>For any real numbers <math>a</math>, <math>b</math>, and <math>c</math>, if <math>a = b</math> and <math>b = c</math>, then <math>a = c</math>.</p> <p>For any segments <math>\overline{AB}</math>, <math>\overline{CD}</math> and <math>\overline{EF}</math>, if <math>AB = CD</math> and <math>CD = EF</math>, then <math>AB = EF</math>.</p> <p>For any angles <math>\angle A</math>, <math>\angle B</math>, and <math>\angle C</math>, if <math>m\angle A = m\angle B</math> and <math>m\angle B = m\angle C</math>, then <math>m\angle A = m\angle C</math></p>

## Other Properties of Equality

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*Distributive Property of Equality* For any real numbers  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$ ,  $a(b + c) = ab + bc$