

# Math Symbols

**=** Equality  
equal to  
 $1 + 1 = 2$

**≠** Inequality  
not equal to  
 $2 + 2 ≠ 5$

**<** Strict Inequality  
is less than  
 $3 < 4$

**>** Strict Inequality  
is greater than  
 $5 > 4$

**≤** Inequality  
is less than or equal to  
 $3 ≤ 4$  and  $5 ≤ 5$

**≥** Inequality  
is greater than or equal to  
 $5 ≥ 4$  and  $5 ≥ 5$

**+** Addition  
plus; add  
 $2 + 7 = 9$

**-** Subtraction  
minus; take away; subtract  
 $8 - 3 = 5$

**×** Multiplication  
times; multiplied by  
 $7 × 8 = 56$

▪ Multiplication  
times; multiplied by  
 $7 · 8 = 56$

**\*** Asterisk  
multiplication  
 $2 * 3 = 6$

**÷** Division  
divided by  
 $4 ÷ 2 = 2$

**/** Division  
divided by; over  
 $12 / 4 = 3$

**—** Horizontal Line  
division / fraction  
 $\frac{6}{2} = 3$

**±** Plus, Minus  
both plus and minus operations  
 $3 ± 5 = 8$  and  $-2$

**∓** Minus - Plus  
both minus and plus operations  
 $3 ∓ 5 = -2$  and  $8$

**.** Period  
decimal point  
 $2.56$

**a<sup>x</sup>** Power  
exponent  
 $2^3 = 8$

**√** Square root  
the square root of real numbers  
 $\sqrt{4} = 2$

**∛** Cube Root  
 $\sqrt[3]{8} = 2$

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$\sqrt[n]{\quad}$  n-th Root  
for  $n=3$ ,  $\sqrt[3]{8} = 2$

**%** Percent  
 $1\% = 1/100$   
 $10\% \times 30 = 3$

$\sphericalangle$  Angle  
formed by two rays  
 $\sphericalangle ABC = 30^\circ$

$\sphericalangle$  Measured Angle  
 $\sphericalangle ABC = 30^\circ$

$\sphericalangle$  Spherical Angle  
 $\sphericalangle AOB = 30^\circ$

$\text{L}$  Right Angle  
 $= 90^\circ$   
 $\alpha = 90^\circ$

$\circ$  Degree  
1 turn =  $360^\circ$   
 $\alpha = 60^\circ$

$\overline{AB}$  Line  
line from point A to point B

$\rightarrow$  Ray (arrow over both letters)  
 $\overrightarrow{AB}$  line that starts from point A

$\perp$  Perpendicular  
perpendicular lines ( $90^\circ$  angle)  
 $\overline{AC} \perp \overline{BC}$  (line AC, is perpendicular to line BC)

$\parallel$  Parallel  
parallel lines  
 $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{CD}$  (line AB is parallel to line CD)

$|\dots|$  Absolute value  
absolute value of  
 $|-3| = 3$ ;  $|+3| = 3$

$\approx$  Approximately equal  
is approximately equal to  
 $\pi \approx 3.14159$

$\triangle$  Triangle  
triangle shape  
 $\triangle ABC$

$\cong$  Congruence  
is congruent to  
 $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF$

$\pi$  Pi Constant  
 $\pi = 3.141592654\dots$   
 $P = 2 \cdot \pi \cdot r$

$( )$  Parentheses  
solve inside parentheses first  
 $2 \times (3+5) = 16$

$[ ]$  Brackets  
solve inside parentheses first, then  
solve inside brackets  
 $[(1+2) \cdot (1+5)] = 18$

$\{ , \}$  Set Brackets  
the set of ...  
 $N = \{ 1, 2, 3, \dots \}$

$\emptyset$  Empty Set  
means the set with no elements

**N** Natural Numbers  
 $N \{ 1, 2, 3, \dots \}$