

Order of Operations

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Please	Excuse	My	Dear	Aunt	Sally
Parentheses	Exponents	Multiplication & Division		Addition & Subtraction	
First, do whatever is in parentheses	Second, evaluate all terms with exponents	Third, do all multiplication and division in order from left to right – do not necessarily multiply first, then divide		Last, do all addition and subtraction in order from left to right– do not necessarily add first, then subtract	