## Unit 1-3


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Is the square root of a PERFECT square a rational or irrational number?


Is the square root of a NON-PERFECT
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$\qquad$ square a rational or irrational number?
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## Rational vs. Irrational Numbers

Rational:
Any number that can be written as a fraction. As a decimal, rational numbers repeat or have a pattern.

|  | Examples: |
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| $1 / 2 \quad .25=1 / 4 \quad 5=5 / 1$ |  |

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\sqrt{36}=6=6 / 1
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## Irrational:

A number that can't be written as a fraction. As a decimal, irrational numbers can't repeat or have a pattern.

Examples: $\sqrt{2} \quad 0.2569874125 \ldots$
$\pi=3.14$
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| Rational or Ir irational? |
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| $\frac{125}{137} \longrightarrow$ |
| $.6985124437852 \ldots$ |
| $.25 \longrightarrow$ |
| $.66666666 \longrightarrow$ |
| . |
| I can classify a number as rational or irrational based on its decimal expansion. |

