

- 1 Consider these real numbers:

$$0, -2, -1.5, \frac{4}{3}.$$

Draw a real number line and graph these numbers as points on that line.



- 2 Compare the order of the numbers -1 and 0 ; that is, write the correct symbol ($<$, $>$, or $=$) between them:

$$-1 \quad 0.$$

To go from -1 to 0 on a number line, I move in the same direction as from 0 to 1 (the positive direction). Therefore,

$$-1 < 0.$$

- 3 Evaluate (work out the value of) the arithmetic expression

$$\left| -\frac{3}{8} \right|.$$

Since $-3/8$ is negative, I replace it with the positive version:

$$\left| -\frac{3}{8} \right| = \frac{3}{8}.$$