NUMBER

Order of operations

BIDMAS (also taught as BODMAS)

1. **B - Brackets**
   Work out anything inside brackets first.

2. **I - Indices**
   Next, powers (indices) and roots.

3. **DM - Division and multiplication**
   Then work from left to right, whichever comes first.

4. **AS - Addition and subtraction**
   Finally, work from left to right, whichever comes first.

Example: 2 + 3 x 4 = 2 + 12 = 14, not 20.

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