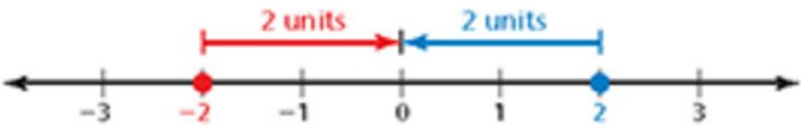


**Essential Question: How do I find the absolute value of a number?**

Questions /Main Ideas	Class Notes
What is absolute value?	<p>The <b>absolute value</b> of a number is the distance between the number and 0 on a number line. The absolute value of a number <math>a</math> is written as <math> a </math>.</p> <p><math> -2  = 2</math>                  <math> 2  = 2</math></p>  <p><i>"I am absolutely positive that absolute value is always positive."</i></p>

**Summary**

When you find the absolute value of a number, you are finding out how many hops away it is from 0. Absolute value is always a positive number.