Recall the definition of divides. (See Ch. 1 handout.)

Def. A nonzero integer *n* divides an integer *b*, denoted n|b, provided there exists $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that b = nk. So $n \in \mathbb{Z} \setminus \{0\}$ divides $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ provided $(\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}) [b = nk]$.

Remarks.

- Note 5 divides 10, also written 5|10, since $10 = 5 \cdot 2$ and $2 \in \mathbb{Z}$.
- The expression "7 divides (b+1)" can be written as 7|(b+1).
- Note 7|b+1 is wrong (and makes absolutely no sense) since 7|b is a statement while 1 is a real number (you cannot add a statement and a number). Lesson learned: don't forget your paretbeses,

Compare the definition of divides to the definitions of even and odd integer.

Def. An integer b is an **even integer** provided that there exists an $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that b = 2k. p15

So $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ is even provided $(\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}) \ [b = 2k].$

Def. An integer b is an odd integer provided there exists an $k \in \mathbb{Z}$ such that b = 2k + 1. p15

So $b \in \mathbb{Z}$ is odd provided $(\exists k \in \mathbb{Z}) [b = 2k + 1]$.

- ▷. Theorem 1. If x and y are integers such that 5 divides x and 5 divides y, then 5 divides 2x + 3y. Symbolically written: $(\forall x \in \mathbb{Z}) \ (\forall y \in \mathbb{Z}) \ [(5|x \land 5|y) \implies 5| (2x + 3y) \].$
- ►. Prove Theorem 1.

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