

**1** Let  $\langle S, *_{S} \rangle$ ,  $\langle T, *_{T} \rangle$ , and  $\langle U, *_{U} \rangle$  be binary structures.

- (a) Recall that the identity map  $\text{id}_S: S \rightarrow S$  is defined by  $\text{id}_S(x) = x$  for all  $x \in S$ . Prove that  $\text{id}_S$  is an isomorphism. That is,  $S \cong S$ .
- (b) Suppose  $\varphi: S \rightarrow T$  is an isomorphism. Then  $\varphi$  is a bijection, so the inverse map  $\varphi^{-1}: T \rightarrow S$  exists. Prove that  $\varphi^{-1}$  is also an isomorphism. That is, if  $S \cong T$ , then  $T \cong S$ .
- (c) Suppose  $\varphi: S \rightarrow T$  and  $\psi: T \rightarrow U$  are isomorphisms. Prove that the composition  $\psi \circ \varphi: S \rightarrow U$  is an isomorphism. That is, if  $S \cong T$  and  $T \cong U$ , then  $S \cong U$ .

2 Let  $G$  and  $H$  be groups, and let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$  be an isomorphism.

- (a) Prove that if  $e_G$  is the identity element in  $G$ , then  $\varphi(e_G)$  is the identity element in  $H$ .
- (b) Let  $a \in G$ . Prove that  $\varphi(a^{-1})$  is the inverse of  $\varphi(a)$  in  $H$ ; that is, in symbols,  $\varphi(a^{-1}) = \varphi(a)^{-1}$ .