Start with -63 + 25. Since 63 - 25 = 38, and 63 > 25, -63 + 25 = -38.

Next find -38 - 17 = -38 + (-17). Since 38 + 17 = 55, and both numbers are negative, -38 + (-17) = -55. Finally subtract -55 - (-8) = -55 + 8. Since 55 - 8 = 47, and 55 > 8, the final result is -47.