

Question:1

Given the following values, find the unknown values:

- i* C.P. = Rs 1200, S.P. = Rs 1350, Profit/Loss = ?
ii C.P. = Rs 980, S.P. = Rs 940, Profit/Loss = ?
iii C.P. = Rs 720, S.P. = ?, Profit = Rs 55.50
iv C.P. = ? S.P. = Rs 1254, Loss = Rs 32

Solution:

i CP = Rs. 1200, SP = Rs. 1350
 CP < SP. So, profit.
 Profit = Rs. 1350 – 1200 = Rs. 150

ii CP = Rs. 980, SP = Rs. 940
 CP > SP. So, loss.
 Loss = Rs. 980 – 940 = Rs. 40

iii CP = Rs. 720, SP = ?, profit = Rs. 55.50
 Profit = SP - CP
 \Rightarrow Rs. 55.50 = SP - Rs. 720
 \Rightarrow SP = Rs. 55.50 + 720 = Rs. 775.50

iv CP = ?, SP = Rs. 1254, loss = Rs. 32
 \Rightarrow Loss = CP - SP
 \Rightarrow Rs. 32 = CP - Rs. 1254
 \Rightarrow CP = Rs. 1254 + 32 = Rs. 1286

Question:2

Fill in the blanks in each of the following:

- i* C.P. = Rs 1265, S.P. = Rs 1253, Loss = Rs
ii C.P. = Rs, S.P. = Rs 450, Profit = Rs 150
iii C.P. = Rs 3355, S.P. = Rs 7355, = Rs
iv C.P. = Rs, S.P. = Rs 2390, Loss = Rs 5.50

Solution:

i CP = Rs. 1265, SP = Rs. 1253
 Loss = CP - SP = Rs. 1265 – 1253 = Rs. 12

ii CP = ?, SP = Rs. 450, profit = Rs. 150
 Profit = SP - CP
 \Rightarrow Rs. 150 = Rs. 450 - CP
 \Rightarrow CP = Rs. 450 – 150 = Rs. 300

iii CP = Rs. 3355, SP = Rs. 7355,
 Here SP > CP, so profit.
 Profit = SP - CP
 \Rightarrow Profit = Rs. 7355 – 3355 = Rs. 4000

iv CP = ?, SP = Rs. 2390, loss = Rs. 5.50
 Loss = CP - SP
 \Rightarrow Rs. 5.50 = CP - Rs. 2390
 \Rightarrow CP = Rs. 5.50 + 2390 = Rs. 2395.50

Question:3

Calculate the profit or loss and profit or loss per cent in each of the following cases:

- i* C.P. = Rs 4560, S.P. = Rs 5000
ii C.P. = Rs 2600, S.P. = Rs 2470
iii C.P. = Rs 332, S.P. = Rs 350
iv C.P. = Rs 1500, S.P. = Rs 1500

Solution:

i CP = Rs. 4560, SP = Rs. 5000
 Here, SP > CP. So, profit.
 Profit = SP - CP = Rs. 5000 – 4560 = Rs. 440
 Profit % = $\{Profit/CP \times 100\}\% = \{440/4560 \times 100\}\% = \{0.0965 \times 100\}\% = 9.65\%$

ii CP = Rs. 2600, SP = Rs. 2470. Here, CP > SP. So, loss.

$$\text{Loss} = \text{CP} - \text{SP} = \text{Rs. } 2600 - 2470 = \text{Rs. } 130$$

$$\text{Profit\%} = \{\text{Profit}/\text{CP} \times 100\}\% = \{130/2600 \times 100\}\% = \{0.05 \times 100\}\% = 5\%$$

iii CP = Rs. 332, SP = Rs. 350. Here, SP > CP. So, profit.

$$\text{Profit} = \text{SP} - \text{CP} = \text{Rs. } 350 - 332 = \text{Rs. } 18$$

$$\text{Profit\%} = \{\text{Profit}/\text{CP} \times 100\}\% = \{18/332 \times 100\}\% = \{0.054 \times 100\}\% = 5.4\%$$

iv CP = Rs. 1500, SP = Rs. 1500

SP = CP. So, neither profit nor loss.

Question:4

Find the gain or loss per cent, when:

i C.P. = Rs 4000 and gain = Rs 40.

ii S.P. = Rs 1272 and loss = Rs 328

iii S.P. = Rs 1820 and gain = Rs 420.

Solution:

i CP = Rs. 4000, gain = Rs. 40

$$\text{Gain \%} = \{\text{Gain}/\text{CP} \times 100\}\% = \{40/4000 \times 100\}\% = 0.01 \times 100\% = 1\%$$

ii SP = Rs. 1272, loss = Rs. 328

$$\text{Loss} = \text{CP} - \text{SP}$$

$$\text{Hence, CP} = \text{Loss} + \text{SP} = \text{Rs. } 328 + \text{Rs. } 1272 = \text{Rs. } 1600$$

$$\text{Loss \%} = \{\text{Loss}/\text{CP} \times 100\}\% = \{328/1600 \times 100\}\% = 20.5\%$$

iii SP = Rs. 1820, gain = Rs. 420

$$\text{Gain} = \text{SP} - \text{CP}$$

$$\text{CP} = 1820 - 420 = \text{Rs. } 1400$$

$$\text{Gain \%} = \{\text{Gain}/\text{CP} \times 100\}\% = \{420/1400 \times 100\}\% = 30\%$$

Question:5

Find the gain or loss per cent, when:

i C.P. = Rs 2300, Overhead expenses = Rs 300 and gain = Rs 260.

ii C.P. = Rs 3500, Overhead expenses = Rs 150 and loss = Rs 146

Solution:

i CP = Rs. 2300, overhead expenses = Rs. 300, gain = Rs. 260

$$\text{Gain \%} = \{\text{Gain}/(\text{CP} + \text{overhead expense}) \times 100\} = \{260/$$

$$\{2300 + 300\} \times 100 = \{260/2600\} \times 100 = 10\%$$

$$\text{CP} = \text{Rs. } 3500, \text{overhead expenses} = \text{Rs. } 150, \text{loss} =$$

Rs. 146

$$\text{Loss \%} = \{\text{Loss}/(\text{CP} + \text{overhead expense}) \times 100\} = \{146/3500 + 150\} \times 100$$

$$= \{146/3650\} \times 100$$

$$= 14600/3650 = 4\%$$

Question:6

A grain merchant sold 600 quintals of rice at a profit of 7%. If a quintal of rice cost him Rs 250 and his total overhead charges for transportation, etc. were Rs 1000 find his total profit and the selling price of 600 quintals of rice.

Solution:

Cost of 1 quintal of rice = Rs. 250

Cost of 600 quintals of rice = $600 \times 250 = \text{Rs. } 150000$

Overhead expenses = Rs. 1000

Total CP = $\text{Rs. } 150000 + 1000 = \text{Rs. } 151000$

Profit % = $\text{Profit}/\text{CP} \times 100$

$$7 = P/151000 \times 100$$

$$P = 1510 \times 7 = \text{Rs. } 10570$$

Profit = Rs. 10570

SP = CP + profit = $\text{Rs. } 151000 + 10570 = \text{Rs. } 161570$

Question:7

Naresh bought 4 dozen pencils at Rs 10.80 a dozen and sold them for 80 paise each. Find his gain or loss percent.

Solution:

Cost of 1 dozen pencils = Rs. 10.80

Cost of 4 dozen pencils = $4 \times 10.80 = \text{Rs. } 43.2$

Selling price of each pencil = 80 paise

Total number of pencils = $12 \times 4 = 48$

SP of 48 pencils = $48 \times 80 \text{ paise} = 3840 \text{ paise} = \text{Rs. } 38.40$

Here, $SP < CP$.

Loss = $CP - SP = \text{Rs. } 43.2 - 38.4 = \text{Rs. } 4.8$

Loss % = $\frac{\text{Loss}}{CP} \times 100 = \frac{4.8}{43.2} \times 100 = \frac{480}{43.2} = 11.11\%$

Question:8

A vendor buys oranges at Rs 26 per dozen and sells them at 5 for Rs 13. Find his gain per cent.

Solution:

CP of 1 dozen oranges = Rs. 26

CP of 1 orange = $26/12 = \text{Rs. } 2.16$

CP of 5 oranges = $2.16 \times 5 = \text{Rs. } 10.8$

Now, SP of 5 oranges = Rs. 13

Gain = $SP - CP = \text{Rs. } 13 - 10.8 = \text{Rs. } 2.2$

Gain % = $\frac{\text{Gain}}{CP} \times 100 = \frac{2.2}{10.8} \times 100 = 20.3\%$

Question:9

Mr Virmani purchased a house for Rs 365000 and spent Rs 135000 on its repairs. If he sold it for Rs 550000, find his gain percent.

Solution:

Amount Mr. Virmani paid to purchase the house = Rs. 365000

Amount he spent on repair = Rs. 135000

Total amount he spent on the house $CP = \text{Rs. } 365000 + 135000 = \text{Rs. } 500000$

SP of the house = Rs. 550000

Gain = $SP - CP = \text{Rs. } 550000 - 500000 = \text{Rs. } 50000$

Gain % = $\frac{\text{Gain}}{CP} \times 100 = \frac{50000}{500000} \times 100 = \frac{5000000}{500000} = 10\%$

Question:10

Shikha purchased a wrist watch for Rs 840 and sold it to her friend Vidhi for Rs 910. Find her gain percent.

Solution:

The cost price of the wristwatch that Shikha purchased, $CP = \text{Rs. } 840$

The price at which she sold it, $SP = \text{Rs. } 910$

Gain = $SP - CP$

$= 910 - 840 = \text{Rs. } 70$

Gain % = $\frac{\text{Gain}}{CP} \times 100 = \frac{70}{840} \times 100 = \frac{7000}{840} = 8.3\%$

Question:11

A business man makes a 10% profit by selling a toy costing him Rs 120. What is the selling price?

Solution:

$CP = \text{Rs. } 120$

Profit % = 10

We now that

$SP = \{100 + \text{profit}\% \} \times CP$

$= \{100 + 10/100\} \times 120$

$= \{110/100\} \times 120 = 1.1 \times 120 = \text{Rs. } 132$

Question:12

Harish purchased 50 dozen bananas for Rs 135. Five dozen bananas could not be sold because they were rotten. At what price per dozen should Harish sell

the remaining bananas so that he makes a profit of 20%?

Solution:

Cost price of 50 dozens bananas that Harish purchased, CP = Rs. 135

Bananas left after removing 5 dozen rotten bananas = 45 dozens

Effective CP of one dozen bananas = Rs. 135/45 = Rs. 3

Calculating the price at which Harish should sell each dozen bananas to make a profit of 20% *or* $\frac{1}{5}$, we get

$$\text{Profit} = \text{Gain/CP} = \frac{SP - CP}{CP}$$

$$\frac{1}{5} = \frac{SP - 3}{3} \quad SP = \text{Rs. } 3.60$$

Harish should sell the bananas at Rs. 3.60 a dozen in order to make a profit of 20%.

Question:13

A woman bought 50 dozen eggs at Rs 6.40 a dozen. Out of these 20 eggs were found to be broken. She sold the remaining eggs at 55 paise per egg. Find her gain or loss percent.

Solution:

Cost of one dozen eggs = Rs. 6.40

Cost of 50 dozen eggs = $50 \times 6.40 = \text{Rs. } 320$

Total number of eggs = $50 \times 12 = 600$

Number of eggs left after removing the broken ones = $600 - 20 = 580$

SP of 1 egg = 55 paise

So, SP of 580 eggs = $580 \times 55 = 31900$ paise = Rs. 31900/100 = Rs. 319

Loss = CP - SP = Rs. 320 - 319 = Re. 1

Loss % = $\frac{\text{Loss}}{\text{CP}} \times 100 = \frac{1}{320} \times 100 = 0.31\%$

Question:14

Jyotsana bought 400 eggs at Rs 8.40 a dozen. At what price per hundred must she sell them so as to earn a profit of 15%?

Solution:

Cost of eggs per dozen = Rs. 8.40

Cost of 1 egg = $8.40/12 = \text{Rs. } 0.7$

Cost of 400 eggs = $400 \times 0.7 = \text{Rs. } 280$

Calculating the price at which Jyotsana should sell the eggs to earn a profit of 15%, we get

15% of 280 + 280

$$= \{15/100 \times 280\} + 280 = \{4200/100\} + 280 = 42 + 280 = \text{Rs. } 322$$

So, Jyotsana must sell the 400 eggs for Rs. 322 in order to earn a profit of 15%.

Therefore, the SP per one hundred eggs = Rs. 322/4 = Rs. 80.50.

Question:15

A shopkeeper makes a profit of 15% by selling a book for Rs 230. What is the C.P. and the actual profit?

Solution:

Given that the SP of a book = Rs. 230

Profit % = 15

Since

$$CP = \frac{SP \times 100}{100 + \text{profit}}$$

$$CP = \frac{230 \times 100}{100 + 15}$$

$$CP = \frac{23000}{115} = \text{Rs. } 200$$

Also,

$$\text{Profit} = SP - CP = \text{Rs. } 230 - 200 = \text{Rs. } 30$$

Actual profit = Rs. 30

Question:16

A bookseller sells all his books at a profit of 10%. If he buys a book from the distributor at Rs 200, how much does he sell it for?

Solution:

Given

Profit % = 10%

CP = Rs. 200

Since

$$\begin{aligned} \text{SP} &= \{100 + \text{profit}/100\} \times \text{CP} \\ &= \{100 + 10/100\} \times 200 \\ &= \{110/100\} \times 200 \\ &= \text{Rs. } 220 \end{aligned}$$

The bookseller sells the book for Rs. 220.

Question:17

A flowerist buys 100 dozen roses at Rs 2 a dozen. By the time the flowers are delivered, 20 dozen roses are mutilated and are thrown away. At what price should he sell the rest if he needs to make a 20% profit on his purchase?

Solution:

Cost of 1 dozen roses = Rs. 2

Number of roses bought by the florist = 100 dozens

Thus, cost price of 100 dozen roses = 2 × 100 = Rs. 200

Roses left after discarding the mutilated ones = 80 dozens

Calculating the price at which the florist should sell the 80 dozen roses in order to make a profit of 20%, we have

$$\frac{\text{Profit \%}}{100} = \frac{\text{SP} - \text{CP}}{\text{CP}} \times \frac{20}{100} = \frac{\text{SP} - 200}{200} \text{SP} = \text{Rs. } 240$$

Therefore, the SP of the roses should be Rs. 240/80 = Rs. 3 per dozen.

Question:18

By selling an article for Rs 240, a man makes a profit of 20%. What is his C.P.? What would his profit percent be if he sold the article for Rs 275?

Solution:

Let CP = Rs. x

SP = Rs. 240

Let profit be Rs. P.

Now, profit % = 20%

Since

$$\text{Profit \%} = \text{Profit} / \text{CP} \times 100$$

$$\Rightarrow 20 = (P/x) \times 100$$

$$\Rightarrow P = 20x/100 = x/5$$

$$\text{Profit} = \text{SP} - \text{CP} = 240 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow P = 240 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow x/5 = 240 - x$$

$$\Rightarrow 240 = x + x/5$$

$$\Rightarrow 240 = 6x/5$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1200/6 = 200$$

So, CP = Rs. 200

New SP = Rs. 275 and CP = Rs. 200

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Profit \%} &= \{SP - CP / CP\} \times 100 = \{275 - 200/200\} \times 100 = 75/200 \times 100 \\ &= 7500/200 = 37.5\% \end{aligned}$$

Question:19

If CP = 200 and SP = 250, then the profit or loss is equal to

a 50 loss

b 50 profit

c 25 profit

d 25 loss

Solution:

Since, SP is more than CP.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore, profit} &= \text{SP} - \text{CP} \\ &= 250 - 200 \end{aligned}$$

$$= 50$$

Hence, the correct option is *b*.

Question:20

If CP = 120 and SP = 80, then profit or loss is equal to

- a* 40 loss
- b* 60 loss
- c* 40 profit
- d* 60 profit

Solution:

Since, CP is more than SP.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Therefore, loss} &= \text{CP} - \text{SP} \\ &= 120 - 80 \\ &= 40\end{aligned}$$

Hence, the correct option is *a*.

Question:21

A trader purchased a bicycle for 2500 and sold at 2700. His profit percentage is

- a* 8%
- b* 10%
- c* 6%
- d* 4%

Solution:

$$\text{CP} = 2500$$

$$\text{SP} = 2700$$

Since, SP is more than CP.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Therefore, Profit} &= \text{SP} - \text{CP} \\ &= 2700 - 2500 \\ &= 200\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Profit Percent} = \frac{\text{Profit}}{\text{CP}} \times 100 = \frac{200}{2500} \times 100 = 8\%$$

Hence, the correct option is *a*.

Question:22

If CP = 950 and gain 6%, then SP =

- a* 1100
- b* 1117
- c* 1107
- d* 1170

Disclaimer: There is a misprint in the options. Option *c* must be equal to 1007.

Solution:

Let the SP be *x*.

$$\text{CP} = 950$$

$$\text{Gain} = 6\%$$

Therefore, SP is more than CP.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Now,} \\ \text{Gain} = 6\% \text{ of CP} &= \frac{6}{100} \times 950 = 3 \times 19 = 57\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Thus, SP} = \text{CP} + \text{gain}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 950 + 57 \\
 &= 1007
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, the correct option is *c*.

Question:23

If SP = 924 and gain = 10%, then CP =

- a* 480
- b* 804
- c* 408
- d* 840

Disclaimer: There is a misprint in the question. CP should be ask instead of SP.

Solution:

Let the CP be x .

$$\text{SP} = 924$$

$$\text{Gain} = 10\%$$

Therefore, SP is more than CP.

Now,

$$\text{Gain} = 10\% \text{ of CP and } \text{SP} = \text{CP} + \text{gain}$$

$$\text{So, } \text{SP} = \text{CP} + 10\% \text{ of CP} \Rightarrow 924 = x + \frac{10}{100} \times x \Rightarrow 924 = \left(1 + \frac{1}{10}\right)x \Rightarrow 924 = \frac{11}{10}x \Rightarrow x = 924 \times \frac{10}{11} \Rightarrow x = 840$$

$$\text{Thus, CP} = 840$$

Hence, the correct option is *d*.

Question:24

On selling a pen for 100, a shopkeeper gains 15. The cost price of the pen is

- a* 115
- b* 85
- c* 70
- d* 130

Solution:

Let the CP be x .

$$\text{SP} = 100$$

$$\text{Profit} = 15$$

Therefore, SP is more than CP.

Now,

$$\text{CP} = \text{SP} - \text{Profit}$$

$$= 100 - 15$$

$$= 85$$

$$\text{Thus, CP} = 85$$

Hence, the correct option is *b*.

Question:25

On selling a plastic chair for 630, a man loses 10%, the cost price of the chair is

- a* 567
- b* 693
- c* 700
- d* 730

Solution:

Let the CP be x .

$$SP = 630$$

$$\text{Loss} = 10\%$$

Therefore, CP is more than SP.

Now,

$$\text{Loss} = 10\% \text{ of CP and } SP = CP - \text{loss}$$

$$\text{So, } SP = CP - 10\% \text{ of CP} \Rightarrow 630 = x - \frac{10}{100} \times x \Rightarrow 630 = \left(1 - \frac{1}{10}\right)x \Rightarrow 630 = \frac{9}{10}x \Rightarrow x = 630 \times \frac{10}{9} \Rightarrow x = 700$$

$$\text{Thus, CP} = 700$$

Hence, the correct option is c .

Question:26

The CP of a chair is 3300. If it is sold at a loss of 10%, then SP is

$$a \quad 3000$$

$$b \quad 3070$$

$$c \quad 2790$$

$$d \quad 2970$$

Solution:

Let the SP be x .

$$CP = 3300$$

$$\text{Loss} = 10\%$$

Therefore, CP is more than SP.

Now,

$$\text{Loss} = 10\% \text{ of CP and } SP = CP - \text{loss}$$

$$\text{So, } SP = CP - 10\% \text{ of CP} \Rightarrow x = 3300 - \frac{10}{100} \times 3300 \Rightarrow x = 3300 - 330 \Rightarrow x = 2970$$

$$\text{Thus, SP} = 2970$$

Hence, the correct option is d .

Question:27

If the cost price of 15 pens is equal to the selling price of 20 pens, then the loss percent is

$$a \quad 25\%$$

$$b \quad 20\%$$

$$c \quad 15\%$$

$$d \quad 10\%$$

Solution:

Let the cost price of one pen be 1.

Then, CP of 20 pens = 20

$$\text{and SP of 20 pens} = 15 \quad \therefore SP \text{ of } 20 \text{ pens} = CP \text{ of } 15 \text{ pens}$$

Therefore, CP is more than SP.

$$\text{So, Loss} = CP - SP$$

$$= 20 - 15$$

$$= 5$$

$$\text{Loss percent} = \frac{\text{Loss}}{\text{CP}} \times 100 = \frac{5}{20} \times 100 = 25\%$$

Hence, the correct option is a .

Question:28

A vendor bought lemons at 6 for a rupee and sold them at 4 for a rupee. His gain % is

a 50%

b 40%

c $33\frac{1}{3}\%$

d $16\frac{2}{3}\%$

Solution:

Let the total lemons be 12.

CP of 6 lemons = 1

then, CP of 12 lemons = 2

Also, SP of 4 lemons = 1

then, SP of 12 lemons = 3

Therefore, SP is more than CP.

So, Gain = SP – CP

$$= 3 - 2$$

$$= 1$$

$$\text{Gain percent} = \frac{\text{Gain}}{\text{CP}} \times 100 = \frac{1}{2} \times 100 = 50\%$$

Hence, the correct option is *a*.

Question:29

On selling a pen for 48, a shopkeeper loses 20%. In order to gain 20% what should be the selling price?

a 52

b 56

c 68

d 72

Solution:

Let the CP of a pen be x .

SP of a pen = 48

Loss = 20%

Therefore, CP is more than SP.

Now, Loss = CP – SP and Loss = Loss percent \times CP

$$\text{Thus, CP} - \text{SP} = \text{Loss percent} \times \text{CP} \Rightarrow x - 48 = \frac{20}{100} \times x \Rightarrow 100x - 4800 = 20x \Rightarrow 100x - 20x = 4800 \Rightarrow 80x = 4800 \Rightarrow x = \frac{4800}{80} \Rightarrow x = 60$$

Therefore, CP of the pen = 60

Now, in order to gain 20%, let the new SP be y .

Gain = Gain percent \times CP

$$= \frac{20}{100} \times 60$$

$$= 12$$

SP = CP + Gain

$$= 60 + 12$$

$$= 72$$

Hence, the correct option is *d*.

Question:30

On selling an article for 144 a man loses 10%. At what price should he sell it to gain 10% ?

$$a \quad 158.40$$

$$b \quad 172.80$$

$$c \quad 176$$

$$d \quad 192$$

Solution:

Let the CP of an article be x .

$$\text{SP of the article} = 144$$

$$\text{Loss} = 10\%$$

Therefore, CP is more than SP.

$$\text{Now, Loss} = \text{CP} - \text{SP} \text{ and Loss} = \text{Loss percent} \times \text{CP}$$

$$\text{Thus, } \text{CP} - \text{SP} = \text{Loss percent} \times \text{CP} \Rightarrow x - 144 = \frac{10}{100} \times x \Rightarrow x - 144 = \frac{1}{10} \times x \Rightarrow 10x - 1440 = x \Rightarrow 10x - x = 1440 \Rightarrow 9x = 1440 \Rightarrow x = \frac{1440}{9} \Rightarrow x = 160$$

$$\text{Therefore, CP of the article} = 160$$

Now, in order to gain 10%, let the new SP be y .

$$\text{Gain} = \text{Gain percent} \times \text{CP}$$

$$= \frac{10}{100} \times 160$$

$$= 16$$

$$\text{SP} = \text{CP} + \text{Gain}$$

$$= 160 + 16$$

$$= 176$$

Hence, the correct option is c .

Question:31

If the cost price of 15 pens is equal to the selling price of 20 pens, then the loss percent is

$$a \quad 25\%$$

$$b \quad 20\%$$

$$c \quad 15\%$$

$$d \quad 18\%$$

Solution:

Let the cost price of one pen be 1.

$$\text{Then, CP of 20 pens} = 20$$

$$\text{and SP of 20 pens} = 15 \therefore \text{SP of 20 pens} = \text{CP of 15 pens}$$

Therefore, CP is more than SP.

$$\text{So, Loss} = \text{CP} - \text{SP}$$

$$= 20 - 15$$

$$= 5$$

$$\text{Loss percent} = \frac{\text{Loss}}{\text{CP}} \times 100 = \frac{5}{20} \times 100 = 25\%$$

Hence, the correct option is a .

Question:32

If the cost price of 6 pencils is equal to the selling price of 5 pencils, then the gain percent is

$$a \quad 10\%$$

$$b \quad 20\%$$

$$c \quad 15\%$$

$$d \quad 25\%$$

Solution:

Let the cost price of one pencil be 1.

$$\text{Then, CP of 5 pencils} = 5$$

$$\text{and SP of 5 pencils} = 6 \therefore \text{SP of 5 pencils} = \text{CP of 6 pencils}$$

Therefore, SP is more than CP.

$$\begin{aligned}\text{So, Profit} &= \text{SP} - \text{CP} \\ &= 6 - 5 \\ &= 1\end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Gain percent} = \frac{\text{Profit}}{\text{CP}} \times 100 = \frac{1}{5} \times 100 = 20\%$$

Hence, the correct option is *b*.