

# Alpha University Borama

## Assignment of Math's Methods

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### Solutions:

1. Express the ratio 12:16 in its simplest form:

Divide both numbers by their greatest common divisor (GCD), which is 4:

$$12 \div 4 = 3, 16 \div 4 = 4$$

Simplified ratio = 3:4

2. Divide \$120 in the ratio 2:3:

$$\text{Total parts} = 2 + 3 = 5$$

$$\text{Each part} = \$120 \div 5 = \$24$$

$$\text{So, 2 parts} = 2 \times \$24 = \$48, 3 \text{ parts} = 3 \times \$24 = \$72$$

Answer: \$48 and \$72

3. The ratio of cats to dogs is 4:7. If there are 28 dogs, how many cats are there?

Let the number of cats be x.

$$\text{According to the ratio: } x / 28 = 4 / 7$$

$$\text{Cross-multiplying: } 7x = 4 \times 28 = 112 \text{ ? } x = 112 \div 7 = 16$$

Answer: 16 cats

4. If a person earns \$240 for working 8 hours, what is the rate of pay per hour?

$$\text{Rate} = \text{Total pay} \div \text{Hours} = \$240 \div 8 = \$30/\text{hour}$$

5. Are the ratios 6:9 and 8:12 proportional?

$$\text{Simplify } 6:9 = 2:3, \text{ and } 8:12 = 2:3$$

Since both simplify to the same ratio, they are proportional.

Answer: Yes

6. If 3 shirts cost \$45, how much would 5 shirts cost at the same rate?

$$\text{Cost per shirt} = \$45 \div 3 = \$15$$

$$\text{Cost of 5 shirts} = 5 \times \$15 = \$75$$

7. If 5 pens cost \$10, how much do 12 pens cost?

$$\text{Cost per pen} = \$10 \div 5 = \$2$$

$$\text{Cost of 12 pens} = 12 \times \$2 = \$24$$

8. A class has 18 boys and 12 girls. What is the ratio of boys to the total number of students?

$$\text{Total students} = 18 + 12 = 30$$

$$\text{Ratio} = 18:30 = 3:5 \text{ (simplified)}$$

9. Find 25% of 480:

$$25\% = 25 \div 100 = 0.25$$

$$0.25 \times 480 = 120$$

10. A jacket is sold for \$150 after a 20% discount. What was the original price?

Let original price be  $x$

After 20% discount, price =  $x - 0.2x = 0.8x$

$$0.8x = 150 \Rightarrow x = 150 \div 0.8 = \$187.50$$

11. A salesperson earns a 5% commission on \$2,000:

$$\text{Commission} = 5\% \text{ of } \$2,000 = 0.05 \times 2000 = \$100$$

12. If 60% of a number is 180, what is the original number?

Let the number be  $x$ .

$$0.6x = 180 \Rightarrow x = 180 \div 0.6 = 300$$

13. Find the simple interest on \$1,200 at 5% per annum for 3 years:

$$SI = (P \times R \times T) \div 100 = (1200 \times 5 \times 3) \div 100 = \$180$$

14. A sum of \$2,000 is invested at 10% per annum for 3 years compounded annually:

$$A = P(1 + r)^t = 2000 \times (1 + 0.10)^3 = 2000 \times 1.331 = \$2,662$$

15. A loan of \$2,000 is given for 2 years at 6% per annum (simple interest):

$$SI = (2000 \times 6 \times 2) \div 100 = \$240$$

$$\text{Total repayment} = 2000 + 240 = \$2,240$$