

GENERAL APTITUDE

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• Percentage is a fraction whose denominator is 100(per 100)

Fract ion	% + 100	Fracti on	%	Fracti on	%	Fracti on	%	Fracti on	%
x100				1/1	100%	1/6	16.66	1/11	9.09
3/4	75%	5/4	125%				%		%
4/5	80%	3/2	150%	1/2	50%	1/7	14.28 %	1/12	8.33 %
2/3	66.66 %	1/16	6.25%	1/3	33.33 %	1/8	12.5 %	1/13	7.69 %
5/6	83.33 %			1/4	25%	1/9	11.11 %	1/14	7.14 %
6/5	120%			1/5	20%	1/10	10%	1/15	6.66 %



Q. x is 83.33% of y. So y is _____% of x

Solution:

$$x = 83.33y$$

$$x = \frac{5}{6} y$$

So,
$$y = \frac{6}{5}x$$

y = 120% (from chart)

Fraction x100	% 100	Fraction	%
3/4	75%	5/4	125%
4/5	80%	3/2	150%
2/3	66.66 %	1/16	6.25%
5/6	83.33		
6/5	120%		



Q. x is 80% of y. So y is _____% of x

Solution:

$$x = 80y$$

$$X = \frac{4}{5} y$$

$$x = \frac{4}{5}y$$
So, $y = \frac{5}{4}x$

$$y = 125\%$$

Q. A number x is increased by 20% then the number is decreased by 20%. Find the net % change.

- <u>Soln</u>:
- If a number is increased / decreased by x% then there is always a loss of $-(x/10)^2$
- Net % Change = $-(20/10)^2 = -(400/100) = -4\%$ (loss)
- OR
- Let the number be 100
- 100 ↑ by 20% =120
- So $20\% \downarrow$ of 120 = 96
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 - -4% = net change



Q. A number x is increased by 50% then the number is increased by 20% and again by 10%. Find the net % change

Soln:

- Let the number be 100
- 100 by 50% = 150
- Again, $150 \uparrow$ by 20% = 30, So 150 + 30 = 180
- 10% of 180 = 18, So, 180 + 18 = 198

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98% = net change

Two Step change of Percentage

In first step if number is changed by a% and the result is again changed by b% the net percentage change of original number is given by

Net % Change in Number = a + b + ab/100 (+ve or -ve)



Q. If a number is increased by 12 % & then decreased by 18% then the net % change in number is

Soln:

Net % Change in Number = a + b + ab/100 (+ve or -ve)

% Change =
$$12 - 18 + (12 \times -18)/100$$

= $-6 - 2.16$
= -8.16%



Percentage Change & effect on Product

If $A \times B = Product$

If A is changed by a% & also B is changed by b% then

Net % Change in Product = a + b + ab/100 (+ve or -ve)



Q. Find % Change of area of rectangle if length increases by 30% & breadth decreases by 12%

Soln:

Net % Change in Product = a + b + ab/100 (+ve or -ve)

% Change of Area =
$$+30 - 12 + (30 \times -12)/100$$

= $18 - 3.6 = +14.4\%$



Q. If the radius of a circle is decreased by 50%, find the percentage decrease in its area.

• A. 55%

- B. 65%
- C. 75%

D. 85%

- · Soln:
- Area of a circle = πr^2 where r is the radius => Area is directly proportional to r^2
- Assume the old radius is = r1=100
- $A_1 = \pi \times 100^2 = 10000\pi$

Assume the new radius is = r2=50

$$A_2 = \pi \times 50^2 = 2500\pi$$

Decrease in area = $10000\pi - 2500\pi = 7500\pi$

Percentage decrease in area = $\frac{difference}{old}$ x100 = $\frac{7500\pi}{10000\pi}$ x 100 = 75%

· Ans: C



- Expenditure = Price x Consumption
- $P \propto \frac{1}{Consumption}$
- So, for expenditure to remain constant, when one quantity increases the other quantity should decrease proportionally.
- Eg: If the price of a commodity is decreased by 20% and its consumption is increased by 20%, what will be the increase or decrease in expenditure on the commodity?
- Soln:

Net % Change =
$$a + b + ab/100$$
 (+ve or -ve)
% Change = $-20 + 20 + (-20 \times 20)/100$
= $0 - 4 = -4\%$

<u>OR</u>

100 === 20%↓(Decrease in Price) ===> 80 === 20%↑(Increase in Consumption) ===> 96. Thus, there is a decrement of 4%



Q. Two numbers are respectively 40% and 60% more than a third number. The ratio of the two numbers is:

A. 7:8 B. 3:5

C.4:5

D. 6:7

Soln:-

- Let the third number be 100
- First number = 40% more than 100 = 100 + 40% of 100 = 100 + 40 = 140
- Second number = 60% more than 100 = 100 + 60% of 100 = 100 + 60 = 160

• Ratio =
$$\frac{\text{first number}}{\text{second number}} = \frac{140}{160} = \frac{7}{8} = 7:8$$

Ans: A

Percentage using x

Q. Two numbers are respectively 40% and 60% more than a third number. The ratio of the two numbers is:

A. 7:8 B. 3:5

C. 4:5

D. 6:7

Soln:-

• Let the third number be x.

• First number = 40% more than x = x + 40% of $x = x + \frac{40}{100}x = \frac{100x + 40x}{100} = \frac{140x}{100}$

• Second number = 60% more than x = x + 60% of $x = x + \frac{60}{100}x = \frac{100x + 60x}{100}$

• Ratio = $\frac{\text{first number}}{\text{second number}} = \frac{\frac{7x}{5}}{\frac{8x}{8}} = \frac{7}{8} = 7:8$

Ans: A



Q. If the price of sugar increases by 25%, by what percent will a housewife have to reduce her consumption to leave total expenditure on sugar unchanged?

A. 25%

B. 35%

C. 20%

D. 15%

Ans: C

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0=25-c+25*-c/100;
25c/100=25-c;
25c=2500-100c;
125c=2500;
c=20%:
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Q. 1.14 expressed as a per cent of 1.9 is:

A. 6%

B. 10%

C. 60%

D. 90%

Ans: C

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x=1.14/1.9 *100;
x=60;
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Q. A number x is increased by 20% then the number is increased by 10% and again by 50%. Find the net % change.

A. 77% B. 75% C. 88% D. 98%

E. 99%

Ans: D



Q. If the altitude of a triangle increases by 5% and the base of the triangle increases by 7%, by what percent will the area of the triangle increase?

A. 12.25% B. 12.35%

C. 6.00%

D. 5.25%

Ans B



Q. The length and breadth of a room are increased by 25% and 40% respectively. While the height is decreased by 20%. Find % change.

A. 16%

B. 40%

C. 60%

D. 30%

Ans B



Q. If the length of a rectangle is increased by 37.5% and its breadth is decreased by 20%, find the change in its area.

A. 15% increase B. 13% decrease C. 10% increase D. 10% decrease

Ans: C



Q. The ratio 5: 4 expressed as a percent equals:

A. 125%

B. 80%

C. 40%

D. 12.5%

Ans: A

Required $\% = 5/4 \times 100 = 125\%$



Q. 12% of 5000 = ?

A. 600

B. 620

C. 680

D. 720

Ans: A



• Basics

Profit (Gain) = (S.P - C.P)

Loss =(C.P - S.P)

% gain = $(Gain / C.P) \times 100$

% loss = $(Loss / C.P) \times 100$

Multipliers to find S.P

In Case of Profit: S.P. = C.P. \times (100 +%gain)/100

In Case of Loss : S.P. = C.P. x (100 - %loss)/100

i.e For sale at 25% profit S.P. = 125 % of C.P.

For sale at 25% loss S.P. = 75% of C.P.



Q. A man bought certain no of oranges at the rate of 5 for Rs 4 and sold them at the rate of 4 for Rs 5. Find his overall profit/loss percentage?

A. 25.5% Pr

B. 36.5% Pr C. 56.2% Pr

D. 64.5% Pr

Soln

Cost Price

Selling Price

Oranges → Rs Oranges →

Rs

 $5 \rightarrow 4 4 \rightarrow 5$

25

SP>CP, so profit

 $P\% = (SP - CP)/CP \times 100$

 $= (25-16)/16 \times 100$

= 225/4 = 56.20%

Ans: C

Cost Price Oranges → Rs Oranges →

Selling Price Rs

SP>CP, so profit

P% = (SP -CP)/CP x 100
=
$$\frac{\left(\frac{5}{4} - \frac{4}{5}\right)}{\frac{4}{5}}$$
 x 100 = $\frac{\left(\frac{9}{20}\right)}{\frac{4}{5}}$ x 100

Q. A man bought a horse & carriage together for Rs 15600 & sold them together, the horse at 36% profit & the carriage at 15% loss. If selling price of both is equal. Find the cost of the carriage?

A.Rs.6000

B. Rs.7600

C. Rs.3600

D. Rs.9600

- Soln
- Let CP of horse be H & Carriage be C → H+C= 15600
- SP of both is equal
- So, comparing the CPs
- 136H/100 = 85C/100
- H = 5C/8
- 5C/8 + C = 15600
- 13C/8 = 15600
- \bullet C = 1200 x 8
- C = 9600

Ans: D

Q. If selling price is doubled, the profit triples. Find the profit %.

A.
$$66\frac{2}{3}\%$$

B. 100%

C. $105\frac{1}{3}\%$

D. 120%

Soln:

Let,
$$CP = C$$
, $SP=S$

As they ask profit %, we know profit = SP - CP

As per given,

$$3(S-C) = 2S-C$$

$$3S - 3C = 2S - C$$

$$S = 2C$$

But, Profit =
$$S - C = 2C - C = C$$

Profit % =
$$\frac{\text{profit}}{\text{CP}} \times 100 = \frac{\text{C}}{\text{C}} \times 100 = 100\%$$



Q. A shopkeeper sells his goods at 20% profit and to make an extra profit he gives only 800 gm per kg. Find his profit %

A. 25% Pr B. 33.33% Pr C. 50% Pr D. 25% Ls

Soln

CP SP Profit

100 120 20

80 120 40

% Profit = $40/80 \times 100$

 $= 1/2 \times 100$

= 50%

Ans: C

Alligation

Q. A person blends two varieties of tea, one cost Rs. 160/kg and other cost Rs. 200/kg in the ratio 5: 4. He sells the blended variety at Rs.192/kg. Find the profit %.

Soln:

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{d-m}{m-c}$$

$$\frac{5}{4} = \frac{200-m}{m-160}$$

$$5m -800 = 800 -4m$$

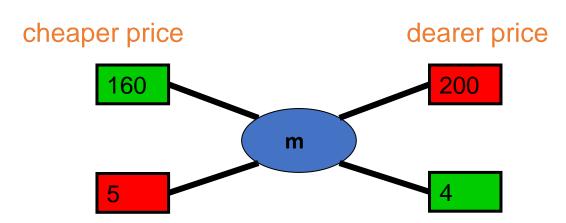
$$9m = 1600$$

$$m = \frac{1600}{9}$$
SP-Rs 192(given)

SP=Rs.192(given), CP =mean price

Profit% =
$$\frac{\text{SP-CP}}{\text{CP}} \times 100$$

= $\frac{192 - \frac{1600}{9}}{\frac{1600}{9}} = \frac{1728 - 1600}{1600} = \frac{128}{16} = 8\%$





Q. A bookseller sells 84 books at the cost of 72 books. Find his profit or loss%

A. 14.28% B. 28.24% C. 20.4% D. 12.86%

Ans: A



Q. A vendor bought 6 oranges for Re 10 and sold them at 4 for Re 6. Find his loss or gain percent.

A. 8% gain

B. 10% gain

C. 8% loss

D. 10% loss

Ans: D



Q. A shopkeeper sells his goods at 10% loss but uses a weight of 750gms instead of 1kg. Find profit %

A. 20% Pr

B. 14.28% Pr C. 30% Pr

D. 25% Ls

Ans: A



Q. A fruit seller buys oranges at 4 for Rs. 3 and sells them at 3 for Rs. 4. Find its profit percent.

A. 43.75% Pr

B. 77.7% Pr

C. 75% Pr

D. 65.7% Ls

Ans: B



Q. A man buys a cycle for Rs. 1400 and sells it at a loss of 15%. What is the selling price of the cycle?

A. Rs. 1090

B. Rs. 1160

C. Rs. 1190

D. Rs. 1202

Ans: C



Q. 100 oranges are bought at the rate of Rs. 350 and sold at the rate of Rs. 48 per dozen. The percentage of profit or loss is:

A. 14 2/7% gain B. 15% gain C. 14 2/7% loss

D. 15 % loss

Ans: A



Q. A shopkeeper sold an article for 2090.42 without any loss or profit. Approximately, what will be the profit percent, if he sold that article for 2602.58?

A. 15%

B. 20%

C. 25%

D. 30%.

Ans: C

profit%=
$$\frac{\text{sp-cp}}{\text{cp}} \times 100$$
.

profit%=
$$\frac{2602.58-2090.42}{2090.42} \times 100.$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
profit%= $\frac{512.16}{2090.42}$ ×100.

$$\Rightarrow$$
profit%=0.245×100.



