

GENERAL APTITUDE

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Ram is at present some age(x). Age 15 years ago or future age, then



'n' times of Ram's age means, = n x age



Q. Karan's age after 15years will be 5 times his age 5 years back. What is the present age of Karan?

A. 12 years

B. 10 years

C. 20 years

D. 25 years

Soln:

Present age = x

As given,

Future age = x + 15

Old age = x-5 5 times is that n times

So ,
$$x + 15 = 5(x-5)$$

 $x + 15 = 5x - 25$
 $x = 10$ years(Karan's present age)



Q. Present age of Sam & Ana are in the ratio 5:4 respectively. Three years hence ,their ratio will become 11:9 respectively. What is Ana's present age?

A. 6 years

B. 24 years C. 28 years

D. 32years

Soln:

Present age –

S -> 5x, A -> 4x

3 years hence means (+) as its future ratio given and so its fraction

$$\frac{5x+3}{4x+3} = \frac{11}{9}$$

$$45x+27 = 44x + 33$$

x = 6 years

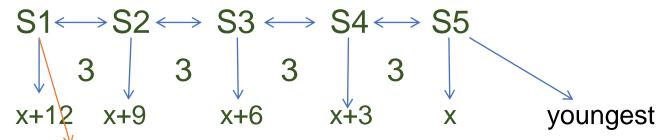
For A,

 $4x = 4 \times 6 = 24 \text{ years}$



Q. Consider 5 siblings born apart by 3 years each. If the sum of the ages of all children is 50 years. What is the age of youngest child?

Soln:



Eldest

Given,

Sum of ages = 50 years

$$x+12+x+9+x+6+x+3+x = 50$$

$$5x + 30 = 50$$

x = 4 years (age of youngest child)



Q. A mother said to her daughter "I was as old as you are at the time of your birth". If the mother's age is 38 years now. What was the daughter's age 5 years back?

A. 14years

B. 19years C. 38years D. None of these

Soln:

M

Present

38

At birth time

D

38-x

I was as old as you are at the time of your birth" shows

M

38-x = x

38 = 2x

x = 19 years(present age of daughter)

5years back, 19-5 = 14 years

Mother's age at time of birth = 38 - x

= 38 - 19

Ans: A

= 19 years



Q. A is 2 years old than B who is twice as old as C. The total ages of A,B,C be 27. How old is B?

A. 5 years B. 12 years C. 10 years D. None of these

- Soln:
- So, we need to first find x here
- A = 2 + B
- B = 2C
- C = x
- So B becomes, B = 2x
- So A becomes,
- A = 2 + B
- A = 2 + 2x

Given, the total age = A + B + C = 27

Substitute the values here for A,B,C

$$2 + 2x + 2x + x = 27$$

$$5x = 25$$

Age of B =
$$2x = 2 \times 5 = 10$$
 years



Q.A man who is 40 years old has three sons, ages 6, 3 and 1. In how many years will the combined age of his three sons equal 80% of his age?

A.5

B. 10

C. 15

D. 20

Soln:

- Let the condition occur after y years.
- After y years
- Man's age = (40+y)
- Son's ages (6+y), (3+y), (1+y)
- Sum of sons' ages = (10+3y)
- (10+3y) = 80/100(40+y)
- 5(10+3y) = 4(40+y)
- 50 + 15y = 160 + 4y
- 11y = 110
- y = 10



Q. The ratio of Present age of A and B is 6:7. A is 7 years younger than C. C's age after 8 years will be 51 years. Then what is the difference between the present ages of A and B?

A. 3 Years B. 4 Years C. 5 Years D. 6 Years E. Cannot be determined

Ans: D



Q. The average age of A, B, C, D and E is 40 years. The average age of A and B is 35 years and the average of C and D is 42 years. Age of E is:

A. 48 years

B. 46 years C. 42 years

D. 45 years



Q. 10 years ago, age of father was thrice the age of his son. Ten years hence, father's age will be twice that of his son. The ratio of their present ages is:

A. 5:2

B. 7:3

C. 9:2

D. 13:4



Q. The average age of A, B and C is 28 years, if average age of B and C is 29 years. What is the age of A in years?

A. 24 years

B. 26 years

C. 28 years

D. 30 years



Q. Sachin is younger than Rahul by 7 years. If their ages are in the respective ratio of

7:9, how old is Sachin?

A. 16 years B. 18 years C. 28 years D. 24.5 years E. None of these

Ans: D



Q. At present, the ratio between the ages of Arun and Deepak is 4:3. After 6 years, Arun's age will be 26 years. What is the age of Deepak at present?

A. 12 years B. 15 years C. 19.5 years D. 21 years E. None of these



Q. The present ages of three persons in proportions 4:7:9. Eight years ago, the sum of their ages was 56. Find their present ages (in years).

A. 8, 20, 28 years

B. 16, 28, 36 years

C. 20, 35, 45 years

D. None of these



Q. The sum of the ages of two brothers 21 years hence will be twice the sum of their ages today. If the difference in their ages is 12 years, how old is the younger brother?

A. 27 years

B. 21 years C. 17 years

D. 15 years

Ans: D

Soln-

Present age of elder brother = x

Present age of younger brother = y

After 21 years, elder brother = x+21 and younger brother = y+21

As per given condition,

$$x+21 + y+21 = 2(x + y)$$
 ----- (1)

$$x - y = 12$$
 -----(2)

Solving 1 and 2, we get,

x = 27 years and y = 15 years



- Ratio : Ratio is a comparison of two numbers (quantities) by division.
- The ratio of a to b is written as
- $a : b = a/b = a \div b$.

* Ratio is defined only for two values of same units ratio between 20 kg & 50 kg is 2:5



Some Useful Results

• If
$$a:b = c:d$$
 or $a/b = c/d$

1.
$$axd = bxc$$

2.
$$b/a = d/c$$
 (Invertendo)

3.
$$a/c = b/d$$
 (Alternendo)

4.
$$a+b/b = c+d/d$$
 (By Componendo)

5.
$$a-b/b = c-d/d$$
 (By Dividendo)

6.
$$(a+b)/(a-b) = (c+d)/(c-d)$$
 (By Componendo & Dividendo)



Proportion: A proportion is an expression that states that two ratios are equal.

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i.e. a:b=c:d e.g 2:3=4:6 or 2:3::4:6
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a, b, c & d are called the 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th proportional.

1st & 4th proportionals are called extreme terms &

2nd & 3rd proportionals are called mean terms.

Product of means = Product of extremes. bc = ad

Continued Proportion

Three quantities are said to be in continued proportion if

$$a:b=b:c$$
 or $a/b=b/c$

If a: b:: b: c then $b^2 = ac$ (b is the mean proportion of a & c)

$$a:b=b:c=c:d \text{ or } a/b=b/c=c/d$$



Q. If A: B = 2:3, B: C = 4:5 and C: D = 5:9 then A: D is equal to:

A. 11:17 B.8:27 C.5:9 D.2:9

Soln:

$$\frac{A}{D} = \frac{A}{B} \times \frac{B}{C} \times \frac{C}{D}$$

$$\frac{A}{D} = \frac{2}{3} \times \frac{4}{5} \times \frac{5}{9}$$

$$\frac{A}{D} = \frac{8}{27}$$

Q. What is the value of A+B/A-B, if A/B=7

A. 4/3

B. 2/3

C. 2/6

D. 7/8

Ans: A

$$A/B = 7/1$$

 $A+B/A-B = 7+1/7-1 = 8/6 = 4/3$



If X: Y = 3: 4 and Y: Z = 8: 9 then X: Z is

A. 3:4

B.5:4

C. 2:3

D. 8:9

Soln:

$$X : Y = 3 : 4$$
 (Inverted N)

$$Y : Z = 8 : 9$$

= 3x8 : 8x4 : 4x9

= 24 : 32 : 36

= 6 : 8 : 9

Now, X:Z

6:9

2:3

Ans: C

$$\frac{X}{Z} = \frac{X}{Y} \times \frac{Y}{Z}$$

$$\frac{X}{Z} = \frac{3}{4} \times \frac{8}{9}$$

$$\frac{X}{Z} = \frac{2}{3}$$

If A: B = 2:3 and B: C = 4:5 then A: B: C is

A. 2:3:5 B.5:4:6 C. 8:12:15

D. 6:4:5

Ans: C

- $\bullet \quad \frac{B}{c} = \frac{4}{5}$
 - A : B : C
- A:B:C = $2 \times 4:3 \times 4:3 \times 5$ = 8:12:15

Q. A sum of Rs. 1240 is distributed among A, B and C such that the ratio of amount received by A and B is 6 : 5 and that of B and C is 10 : 9 respectively. Find the share of C?

A.Rs. 480

B.Rs. 360

C.Rs. 400

D.Rs. 630

· Soln:

• Given, A: B = 6:5, B: C = 10:9

• A:B:C

• 6:5 10:9

60:50:45

12:10:9

$$12x + 10x + 9x = 1240$$

$$x = 40$$

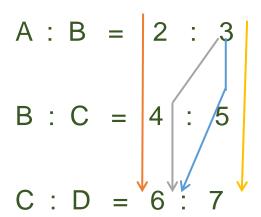
C's share =
$$9 \times 40 = Rs.360$$



If A: B = 2: 3, B: C = 4: 5 and C: D = 6: 7. Find A:B:C:D

A. 2:3:4:5 B. 2:12:30:7 C. 16:24:30:35 D. 4:5:6:7

Soln:



A : B : C : D = ABC : BBC : BCC : BCD = 2X4X6 : 3X4X6 : 3X5X6 : 3X5X7 = 48 : 72 : 90 : 105 = 16 : 24 : 30 : 35

Ans: C



Dividing a given number in the given Ratio:

Let A be the given number. Let the given ratio be a:b:c

This means A is divided into three parts such that

First Part = $A \times a/(a+b+c)$

Second Part = $A \times b/(a+b+c)$

Third Part = $A \times c/(a+b+c)$

And First Part + Second Part + Third Part = A

Any Part = Total Amount x (Its related ratio term / Sum of Ratio Terms)



Q. Find B's share in Rs 6,300 if A:B = 2:3, B:C = 4:5, C:D = 3:7 A.Rs 1080 B. Rs 1800 C. Rs 810 D. Rs 1200

Soln:

A/B B/C C/D 2/3 4/5 3/7

A : B = 2 : 3

B : C = 4 : 5

C : D = 3 : 7

A : B : C : D

8 : 12 : 15 : 35

So B's share = $6300 \times 12/70 = 1080$

Ans: A



Q. A bag contains total 1200 coins of 25 ps, 50 ps and 1 Re coins. If the number of coins are in the ratio 6:5:4 find the total amount in the bag.

A. Rs 200 B. Rs 120 C. Rs 320 D. Rs 640

Soln:

25 ps 50 ps 1 Re
6 5 4

$$6x + 5x + 4x = 1200$$

 $15x = 1200 \rightarrow x = 80$
 $6x = 480 \text{ coins } x \frac{1}{4} = \text{Rs } 120$
 $5x = 400 \text{ coins } x \frac{1}{2} = \text{Rs } 200$
 $4x = 320 \text{ coins } x 1 = \text{Rs } 320$
Total = Rs 640

Ans: D



Q. Divide Rs. 18200 amongst 3 persons such that A gets 5/9th of what B & C together get & B gets 6/7th of what A & C together get. What does C get?

A. Rs. 6500

B. Rs. 3300 C. Rs. 8400

D. Rs. 1400

Soln:

A: (B+C)

5:9

A+B+C = 5x+9x = 14x

 $14x = 18200 \rightarrow x = 1300 \rightarrow A = 5x = 6500$

B: (C+A)

6:7

A+B+C = 6y + 7y = 13y

 $13y = 18200 \rightarrow y = 1400 \rightarrow B = 6y = 8400$

C = 18200 - 8400 - 6500 = 3300



Q. If A:B =2:3, B:C= 4:5 and C:D =6:7 Find A:D is equal to:

A. 16:35 B. 8:25 C. 4:15 D. 2:10

Ans: A



Q. The difference between two positive numbers is 10 and the ratio between them is

5:3. Find the product of the two numbers.

A.375

B.175

C.275

D.125

E.250

Ans: A



Q. Two numbers are in ratio 4:5 and their LCM is 180. The smaller number is

A.9

B.15

C.36

D.45

Ans: C



Q. A bag contains total of Rs 2400 in the form of 25 ps, 50 ps and 1 Re coins. If the total amounts of each type of coins are in the ratio 3:4:5 find the total no of coins in the bag.

A. 2000coins

B. 4000 coins

C. 5500 coins

D. 5000 coins

Ans: D



Q. The average income of all employees is Rs. 20000. The average salary of male employees is Rs. 22000. The average salary of female employees is Rs. 15000. What is the ratio of male employees to female employees?

A. 2:5

B. 3:4

C. 5:2

D. 3:5

Ans: C



Q. The sum of 3 numbers is 98. If ratio between first and second numbers be 2:3 and between second and third be 5:8, then the second number is?

A. 30

B. 40

C. 50

D. 60

Ans: A



Two numbers are in ratio 7:11. If 7 is added to each of the numbers, the ratio becomes 2:3. The smaller number is?

A. 39

B. 49

C. 66

D. 77

Ans: B

Let the numbers be 7x and 11x.

(7x+7)/(11x+7)=2/3

22x+14=21x+21

x=7

Smaller number= $7x = 7 \times 7 = 49$

Ratio & Proportion(Assignment)

Q. The incomes of A & B are in the ratio 3:2. Their respective expenditures are in the ratio 5:3. If each of them saves Rs. 2000, what is the income of B?

A. Rs 12,000

B. Rs 8,000

C. Rs 16,000

D. Rs 6,000



- Alligation: It is the rule which enables us to find the ratio in which two or more ingredients at given prices must be mixed to produce a mixture of a desired price. (mixing / linking)
- **Mean Price**: The cost price of a unit quantity of mixture is called the mean price.
- **Dearer**: The more expensive ingredient
- Note:

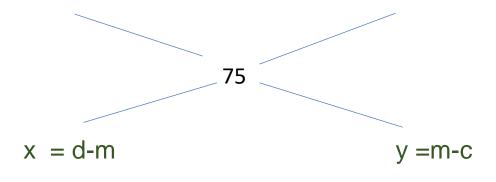
Always maintain the order in which problem is given else answer gets changed



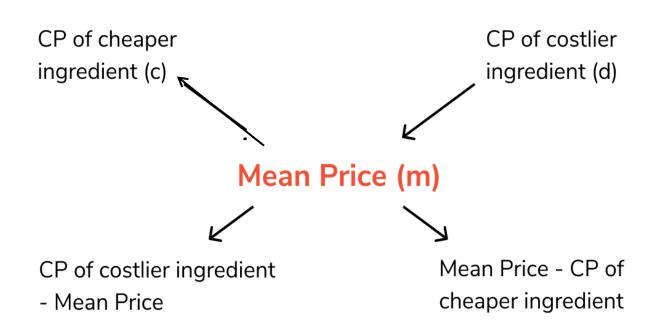
Type 1 oranges at Rs.60 per kg and Type 2 oranges at Rs.120 per kg and when mixed cost is Rs.75 per kg. Find the ratio in which Type 1 and Type 2 oranges are mixed.

Soln:





$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{d-m}{m-c} = \frac{120-75}{75-60} = \frac{45}{15} = \frac{3}{1} = 3:1$$



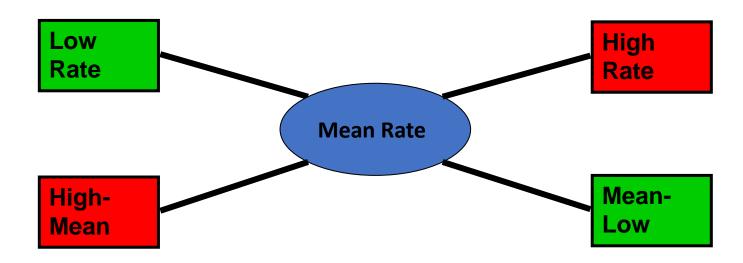
$$\frac{\text{Quantity of cheaper ingredient}}{\text{Quantity of costlier ingredient}} = \frac{d - m}{m - c}$$



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Quantity of Lower = (C.P. of Higher) – (Mean Price)

Quantity of Higher (Mean Price) – (C.P. of Lower)
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\frac{\mathbf{QI}}{\mathbf{Qh}} = \frac{\mathbf{CPh} - \mathbf{CPm}}{\mathbf{CPm} - \mathbf{CPl}}
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Q. CP of rice A is Rs. 15/kg and CP of rice B is Rs.20/kg. If both A and B are mixed in the ratio 2:3. Then find the price per kg of the mixed rice.

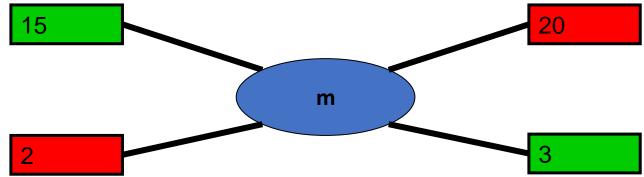
A. Rs. 28

B. Rs. 17

C. Rs. 18

D. Rs. 48

Soln:



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

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{20-m}{m-15}$$

$$m = \frac{90}{5} = Rs.18$$

Ans: C



Q. In what ratio must a grocer mix two varieties of dal worth Rs. 60/kg & Rs. 65/kg, so that selling the mixture at 68.20/kg, he may gain 10%.

Soln:

- Mean price is always CP
- Steps-
- 1. m=?
- 2. m = cost price(CP)
- 3. SP = given
- 4. find x/y=?



In what ratio must a grocer mix two varieties of dal worth Rs. 60/kg & Rs. 65/kg, so that selling the mixture at 68.20/kg, he may gain 10%.

A. 3:2

B. 2:3 C. 3:4

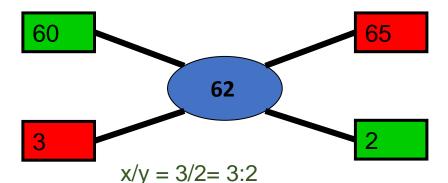
D. 4:3

- SP of 1 kg of mixture = Rs. 68.20
- Gain =10%
- In case of profit, SP = $\frac{\text{C.P. x (100 +\%gain)}}{100}$
- CP of 1kg of mixture = Rs $(\frac{100}{100+10} \times 68.2)$

Mean price

=Rs. 62

- By the rule of alligation, we have:
- C.P. of 1kg dal of 1st kind C.P. of 1kg dal of 2nd kind



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 %.

A. 6%

B. 8%

C. 7%

D. 9%

Soln:

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

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

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

$$9m = 1600$$

$$m = \frac{1600}{9}$$

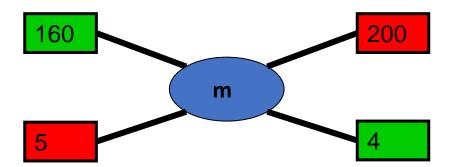
SP=Rs.192(given), CP =mean price

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. Two jars A and B contain milk and water in the ratio 7:5 and 17:7 respectively. In what ratio mixtures from two vessels should be mixed to get a new mixture containing milk and water in the ratio 5:3?

A. 2:1

B. 1:2

C. 2:3

D. 3:4

Soln:

For these type of questions consider 1 ingredient out of the two ingredients and represent as fraction of one.

Α

В

m:w

m:w

7:5

17:7

C

m:w

5:3

To make calculations easier, convert all denominator into common one

So, find LCM(12,24,8) = 24

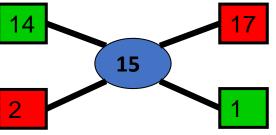
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$$\frac{7}{12} \times \frac{2}{2} = \frac{14}{24}$$

$$\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{3}{3} = \frac{15}{24}$$

forget denominators,

By rule of Alligation,



We consider milk here, so fraction of milk,

$$\frac{7}{7+5} = \frac{7}{12}$$

$$\frac{17}{17+7} = \frac{17}{24}$$

$$\frac{5}{5+3} = \frac{5}{8}$$

Q. How many kg of sugar costing Rs. 9 per kg must be mixed with 27kg of sugar costing Rs. 7 per kg, so that there maybe a gain of 10% by selling the mix at 9.24 per kg?

A. 62kg

B. 63kg

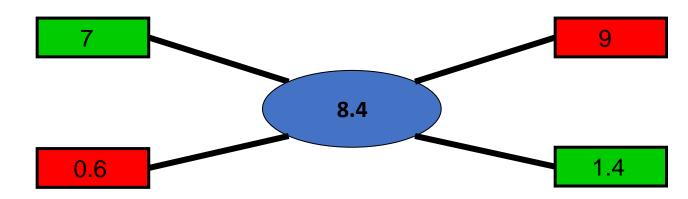
C. 53kg

D. 59kg

Soln:

$$SP = \frac{C.P. \times (100 + \%gain)}{100}$$

 $CP (Mean) = 9.24 \times 100/110 = 8.4$



- Qty of Low: Qty of High = 0.6/1.4 = 6/14 = 3/7
- 27 / QH = 3/7
- $QH = 27 \times 7/3 = 63 \text{ kg}$



Q. The ratio of milk to water in 80 litres of a mixture is 7:3. The water (in litres) to be added to it to make the ratio 2:1 is?

A. 4 litres

B. 5 litres

C. 6 litres

D. 8 litres

Soln:

Mixture = 80 litres



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$$3 = 7+3 = 10$$
(total parts of mixture)

Quantity of Milk =
$$\frac{7}{10}$$
 x 80 = 56 litres

Quantity of Water =
$$\frac{3}{10}$$
 x 80 = 24 litres

Let quantity of water added be 'x' litres

$$\frac{56}{24+x} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$56 = 48 + 2x$$

x = 4 litres of water is to be added.

Let, Milk =
$$7x$$
 and Water = $3x$

$$7x + 3x = 80$$
 litres $10x = 80$

$$x = 8$$
litres

OR Milk =
$$7x = 7x8 = 56$$
 litres

Water =
$$3x = 3x = 24$$
 litres

$$\frac{56}{24+x} = \frac{2}{1}$$
 56 = 48 + 2x

x = 4 litres of water is to be added.

Q. What quantity of sugar costing Rs 21.20 per kg must be mixed with 144 kg of sugar priced at Rs 26.20 per kg so that 10% may be gained by selling mix at Rs 25.30/kg?

A. 256 kg

B. 265 kg

C. 244 kg

D. 144 kg



Q. Find the ratio in which the contains of 2 jars A & B containing spirit & water in the ratio 1:3 & 3:2 respectively must be mixed so that resulting mixture contains 45% spirit?

A. 2:3

B. 3:5

C. 3:2

D. 3:4

Ans D



Q. Two solutions have milk: water ratio of 2:3 and 4:5. In what ratio must they be mixed such that the resultant solution has milk: water ratio of 3:4? A. 8:3 B. 3:8 C. 5:9 D. 9:5

Ans: C



Q. In what ratio rice at Rs. 9.30/kg be mixed with rice at Rs. 10.80/kg. So that the mixture be worth Rs. 10/kg.

A. 6:5

B. 8:7

C. 3:7

D. 6:1



Q. The ratio, in which tea costing Rs. 192 per kg is to be mixed with tea costing Rs. 150 per kg so that the mixed tea when sold for Rs. 194.40 per kg, gives a profit of 20%.

A. 2:5

B. 3:5

C. 5:3

D. 5:2



Q. In what ratio must a mixture of 30% alcohol strength be mixed with that of 50% alcohol strength so as to get a mixture of 45% alcohol strength?

A. 1:2

B. 1:3

C. 2:1

D. 3:1



Q. A mixture of 70 litres of alcohol and water contains 10% of water. How much water must be added to the above mixture to make the water 12.5% of the resulting mixture?

A. 1 litre B. 1.5 litres C. 2 litres

D. 2.5 litres

Ans: C

- Water=10% of 70 lit=7 lit,
- alcohol=90% of 70 lit=63 lit.
- Let, x lit water must be added. $(7+x)_{12.5\%}$ 87.5%
- 7 + x = 787.5/87.57 + x = 9
- x=2 litres



Q. In what ratio should two qualities of coffee powder having the rates of ₹47 per kg and ₹32 per kg be mixed in order to get a mixture that would have a rate of ₹37 per kg?

A. 1:2

B. 4:1

C. 1:3

D. 3:1

E. 1:4



Q. How many kilograms of tea worth Rs. 3. 60 per kg. must be mixed with 8 kg. of tea worth Rs. 4.20 per kg. so that by selling the mixture at Rs. 4.40 per kg. There may be a of 10%.

A) 4 kg

B) 3 kg.

C) 6 kg.

D) 8 kg.



Q. The ratio of milk to water in 20 litres of a mixture is 3:1. The Milk (in litres) to be added to the mixture so as to have milk and water in the ratio 4:1 is?

A. 7 litres

B. 4 litres

C. 5 litres

D. 6 litres

Ans: C



Q. In what ratio must water be mixed with milk costing Rs. 12 per litre to obtain a mixture worth of Rs. 8 per litre?

A. 1:2

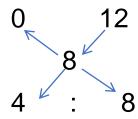
B. 2:1

C. 2:3

D. 3:2

Ans: A

By the rule of alligation:



Ratio of water to milk

= 4:8

= 1 : 2



