

Percentage

1. A batsman scored 110 runs which included 3 boundaries and 8 sixes. What percent of his total score did he make by running between the wickets?

A. 45%

B. $45\frac{5}{11}\%$

C. $54\frac{6}{11}\%$

D. 55%

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

Number of runs made by running = $110 - (3 \times 4 + 8 \times 6)$
 $= 110 - (60)$
 $= 50.$

$$\therefore \text{Required percentage} = \left(\frac{50}{110} \times 100 \right) \% = 45\frac{5}{11}\%$$

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2. Two students appeared at an examination. One of them secured 9 marks more than the other and his marks was 56% of the sum of their marks. The marks obtained by them are:

A. 39, 30

B. 41, 32

C. 42, 33

D. 43, 34

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Let their marks be $(x + 9)$ and x .

$$\text{Then, } x + 9 = \frac{56}{100}(x + 9 + x)$$

$$\Rightarrow 25(x + 9) = 14(2x + 9)$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 99$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 33$$

So, their marks are 42 and 33.

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3. A fruit seller had some apples. He sells 40% apples and still has 420 apples. Originally, he had:

A. 588 apples

B. 600 apples

C. 672 apples

D. 700 apples

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

Suppose originally he had x apples.

Then, $(100 - 40)\%$ of $x = 420$.

$$\Rightarrow \frac{60}{100} \times x = 420$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{420 \times 100}{60} \right) = 700.$$

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4. What percentage of numbers from 1 to 70 have 1 or 9 in the unit's digit?

A. 1

B. 14

C. 20

D. 21

Answer: Option C

Explanation:

Clearly, the numbers which have 1 or 9 in the unit's digit, have squares that end in the digit 1. Such numbers from 1 to 70 are 1, 9, 11, 19, 21, 29, 31, 39, 41, 49, 51, 59, 61, 69.

Number of such number = 14

$$\therefore \text{Required percentage} = \left(\frac{14}{70} \times 100 \right) \% = 20\%.$$

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5. If $A = x\%$ of y and $B = y\%$ of x , then which of the following is true?

A. A is smaller than B.

B. A is greater than B

C. Relationship between A and B cannot be determined.

D. If x is smaller than y , then A is greater than B.

E. None of these

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

$$x\% \text{ of } y = \left(\frac{x}{100} \times y \right) = \left(\frac{y}{100} \times x \right) = y\% \text{ of } x$$

$$\therefore A = B.$$

6. If 20% of $a = b$, then $b\%$ of 20 is the same as:

A. 4% of a

B. 5% of a

C. 20% of a

D. None of these

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

$$20\% \text{ of } a = b \Rightarrow \frac{20}{100}a = b.$$

$$\therefore b\% \text{ of } 20 = \left(\frac{b}{100} \times 20 \right) = \left(\frac{20}{100}a \times \frac{1}{100} \times 20 \right) = \frac{4}{100}a = 4\% \text{ of } a.$$

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7. In a certain school, 20% of students are below 8 years of age. The number of students above 8 years of age is $\frac{2}{3}$ of the number of students of 8 years of age which is 48. What is the total number of students in the school?

A. 72

B. 80

C. 120

D. 150

E. 100

Answer: Option E

Explanation:

Let the number of students be x . Then,

Number of students above 8 years of age = $(100 - 20)\%$ of $x = 80\%$ of x .

$$\therefore 80\% \text{ of } x = 48 + \frac{2}{3} \text{ of } 48$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{80}{100}x = 80$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 100.$$

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8. Two numbers A and B are such that the sum of 5% of A and 4% of B is two-third of the sum of 6% of A and 8% of B. Find the ratio of A : B.

[A.](#) 2 : 3

[B.](#) 1 : 1

[C.](#) 3 : 4

[D.](#) 4 : 3

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

$$5\% \text{ of } A + 4\% \text{ of } B = \frac{2}{3} (6\% \text{ of } A + 8\% \text{ of } B)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{5}{100} A + \frac{4}{100} B = \frac{2}{3} \left(\frac{6}{100} A + \frac{8}{100} B \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{20} A + \frac{1}{25} B = \frac{1}{25} A + \frac{4}{75} B$$

$$\Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{20} - \frac{1}{25} \right) A = \left(\frac{4}{75} - \frac{1}{25} \right) B$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{100} A = \frac{1}{75} B$$

$$\frac{A}{B} = \frac{100}{75} = \frac{4}{3}$$

∴ Required ratio = 4 : 3

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9. A student multiplied a number by $\frac{3}{5}$ instead of $\frac{5}{3}$.

What is the percentage error in the calculation?

[A.](#) 34%

[B.](#) 44%

[C.](#) 54%

[D.](#) 64%

Answer: Option D

Explanation:

Let the number be x.

$$\text{Then, error} = \frac{5}{3}x - \frac{3}{5}x = \frac{16}{15}x.$$

$$\text{Error\%} = \left(\frac{16x}{15} \times \frac{3}{5x} \times 100 \right) \% = 64\%.$$

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10. In an election between two candidates, one got 55% of the total valid votes, 20% of the votes were invalid. If the total number of votes was 7500, the number of valid votes that the other candidate got, was:

[A.](#) 2700

[B.](#) 2900

[C.](#) 3000

[D.](#) 3100

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

Number of valid votes = 80% of 7500 = 6000.

∴ Valid votes polled by other candidate = 45% of 6000

$$= \left(\frac{45}{100} \times 6000 \right) = 2700.$$

11. Three candidates contested an election and received 1136, 7636 and 11628 votes respectively. What percentage of the total votes did the winning candidate get?

[A.](#) 57%

[B.](#) 60%

[C.](#) 65%

[D.](#) 90%

Answer: Option A

Explanation:

Total number of votes polled = (1136 + 7636 + 11628) = 20400.

$$\therefore \text{Required percentage} = \left(\frac{11628}{20400} \times 100 \right) \% = 57\%.$$

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12. Two tailors X and Y are paid a total of Rs. 550 per week by their employer. If X is paid 120 percent of the sum paid to Y, how much is Y paid per week?

[A.](#) Rs. 200

B. Rs. 250

C. Rs. 300

D. None of these

Answer: Option **B**

Explanation:

Let the sum paid to Y per week be Rs. z .

Then, $z + 120\%$ of $z = 550$.

$$\Rightarrow z + \frac{120}{100}z = 550$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{11}{5}z = 550$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \left(\frac{550 \times 5}{11} \right) = 250.$$

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13. Gauri went to the stationers and bought things worth Rs. 25, out of which 30 paise went on sales tax on taxable purchases. If the tax rate was 6%, then what was the cost of the tax free items?

A. Rs. 15

B. Rs. 15.70

C. Rs. 19.70

D. Rs. 20

Answer: Option **C**

Explanation:

Let the amount taxable purchases be Rs. x .

$$\text{Then, } 6\% \text{ of } x = \frac{30}{100}$$

$$\Rightarrow x = \left(\frac{30}{100} \times \frac{100}{6} \right) = 5.$$

$$\therefore \text{Cost of tax free items} = \text{Rs. } [25 - (5 + 0.30)] = \text{Rs. } 19.70$$

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14. Rajeev buys good worth Rs. 6650. He gets a rebate of 6% on it. After getting the rebate, he pays sales tax @ 10%. Find the amount he will have to pay for the goods.

A. Rs. 6876.10

B. Rs. 6999.20

C. Rs. 6654

D. Rs. 7000

Answer: Option **A**

Explanation:

$$\text{Rebate} = 6\% \text{ of Rs. } 6650 = \text{Rs. } \left(\frac{6}{100} \times 6650 \right) = \text{Rs. } 399.$$

$$\text{Sales tax} = 10\% \text{ of Rs. } (6650 - 399) = \text{Rs. } \left(\frac{10}{100} \times 6251 \right) = \text{Rs. } 625.10$$

$$\therefore \text{Final amount} = \text{Rs. } (6251 + 625.10) = \text{Rs. } 6876.10$$

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15. The population of a town increased from 1,75,000 to 2,62,500 in a decade. The average percent increase of population per year is:

[A.](#) 4.37%

[B.](#) 5%

[C.](#) 6%

[D.](#) 8.75%

Answer: Option B

Explanation:

$$\text{Increase in 10 years} = (262500 - 175000) = 87500.$$

$$\text{Increase\%} = \left(\frac{87500}{175000} \times 100 \right) \% = 50\%.$$

$$\therefore \text{Required average} = \left(\frac{50}{10} \right) \% = 5\%.$$