

Question ID 457cd6d8

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SAT	Math	Problem-Solving and Data Analysis	Percentages	Medium

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In a sample, 80% of the items are faulty. There are 88 faulty items in the sample. How many total items are in the sample?

ID: 457cd6d8 Answer

Correct Answer: 110

Rationale

The correct answer is 110. Let x represent the total number of items in the sample. It's given that 80% of the items are faulty and that there are 88 faulty items in the sample. Therefore, 80% of x is 88. Since 80% can be rewritten as $\frac{80}{100}$, it follows that $\frac{80}{100}x = 88$. Multiplying both sides of this equation by 100 yields $80x = 8,800$. Dividing both sides of this equation by 80 yields $x = 110$. Therefore, there are 110 total items in the sample.

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Question ID d708c5e3

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The population of City A increased by 7% from 2015 to 2016. If the 2016 population is k times the 2015 population, what is the value of k ?

- A. 0.07
- B. 0.7
- C. 1.07
- D. 1.7

ID: d708c5e3 Answer

Correct Answer: C

Rationale

Choice C is correct. It's given that the population of City A increased by 7% from 2015 to 2016. Therefore, the population of City A in 2016 includes 100% of the population of City A in 2015 plus an additional 7% of the population of City A in 2015. This means that the population of City A in 2016 is 107% of the population in 2015. Thus, the population of City A in 2016 is $\frac{107}{100}$, or 1.07, times the 2015 population. Therefore, the value of k is 1.07.

Choice A is incorrect. This would be the value of k if the population in 2016 was 7% of the population in 2015.

Choice B is incorrect. This would be the value of k if the population in 2016 was 70% of the population in 2015.

Choice D is incorrect. This would be the value of k if the population increased by 70%, not 7%, from 2015 to 2016.

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Question ID dd880033

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Which expression represents the result of increasing a positive quantity w by 43%?

- A. $1.43w$
- B. $0.57w$
- C. $43w$
- D. $0.43w$

ID: dd880033 Answer

Correct Answer: A

Rationale

Choice A is correct. The result of increasing a positive quantity w by $x\%$ can be represented by the expression $(1 + \frac{x}{100})w$. Therefore, the result of increasing a positive quantity w by 43% can be found by substituting 43 for x in the expression $(1 + \frac{x}{100})w$, which gives $(1 + \frac{43}{100})w$, or $1.43w$. Thus, the expression $1.43w$ represents the result of increasing a positive quantity w by 43%.

Choice B is incorrect. This is the result of decreasing a positive quantity w by 43%.

Choice C is incorrect. This is the result of increasing a positive quantity w by 4,200%.

Choice D is incorrect. This is the result of decreasing a positive quantity w by 57%.

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Question ID c7c7d2e2

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ID: c7c7d2e2

There are ~~4~~**50** tiles in a box. Of these tiles, ~~6~~**6**% are black. How many black tiles are in the box?

ID: c7c7d2e2 Answer

Correct Answer: 27

Rationale

The correct answer is **27**. It’s given that ~~6~~**6**% of the ~~4~~**50** tiles in a box are black. Therefore, the number of black tiles in the box can be calculated by multiplying the number of tiles in the box by $\frac{6}{100}$, which is equivalent to **450**($\frac{6}{100}$), or **27**.

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Question ID d5770b24

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432 is 96% of what number?

ID: d5770b24 Answer

Correct Answer: 450

Rationale

The correct answer is 450. Let x represent the number that 432 is 96% of. This can be written as $(\frac{96}{100})x = 432$, or $0.96x = 432$. Dividing both sides of this equation by 0.96 yields $x = 450$. Therefore, 432 is 96% of 450.

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Question ID 73f95aef

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ID: 73f95aef

The population of Greenville increased by 7% from 2015 to 2016. If the 2016 population is k times the 2015 population, what is the value of k ?

- A. 0.07
- B. 0.7
- C. 1.07
- D. 1.7

ID: 73f95aef Answer

Correct Answer: C

Rationale

Choice C is correct. Let x be the 2015 population of Greenville. It's given that the population increased by 7% from 2015 to 2016. The increase in population can be written as $(0.07)x$. The 2016 population of Greenville is given as the sum of the 2015 population of Greenville and the increase in population from 2015 to 2016. This can be rewritten as $x + (0.07)x$, or $1.07x$. Therefore, the value of k is 1.07.

Choice A is incorrect. This is the percent, represented as a decimal, that the population increased from 2015 to 2016, not the value of k .

Choice B is incorrect and may result from conceptual or calculation errors.

Choice D is incorrect. This is the value of k if the population increased by 70%, not 7%, from 2015 to 2016.

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Question ID 8426d0ec

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Last year, Cedric had **35** plants in his garden. This year, the number of plants in Cedric’s garden is **60%** greater than the number of plants in his garden last year. How many plants does Cedric have in his garden this year?

ID: 8426d0ec Answer

Correct Answer: 56

Rationale

The correct answer is **56**. It’s given that Cedric had **35** plants in his garden last year and that the number of plants in Cedric's garden this year is **60%** greater than the number of plants in his garden last year. It follows that the number of plants in Cedric’s garden this year is **35** plus **60%** of **35**, which is equal to $35 + 35\left(\frac{60}{100}\right)$, or $35 + 35(0.6)$. This expression is equivalent to $35 + 21$, or **56**. Therefore, Cedric has **56** plants in his garden this year.

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Question ID 22efbe91

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In a group, **40%** of the items are red. Of all the red items in the group, **30%** also have stripes. What percentage of the items in the group are red with stripes?

- A. **10%**
- B. **12%**
- C. **70%**
- D. **75%**

ID: 22efbe91 Answer

Correct Answer: B

Rationale

Choice B is correct. It’s given that in a group, **40%** of the items are red. It follows that the number of red items in the group can be represented by **0. 4x**, where **x** represents the total number of items in the group. It’s also given that of all the red items in the group, **30%** also have stripes. It follows that the number of items in the group that are red and have stripes can be represented by **0. 3(0. 4x)**, or **0. 12x**. The expression **0. 12x** represents **12%** of **x**. Since **x** represents the total number of items in the group, it follows that **12%** of the items in the group are red and have stripes.

Choice A is incorrect and may result from subtracting **30%** from **40%** rather than calculating **30%** of **40%**.

Choice C is incorrect and may result from adding **30%** and **40%** rather than calculating **30%** of **40%**.

Choice D is incorrect and may result from calculating the percentage that **30%** is of **40%** rather than calculating **30%** of **40%**.

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Question ID 1a850131

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The number of coins in a collection increased from **9** to **90**. What was the percent increase in the number of coins in this collection?

- A. **10%**
- B. **81%**
- C. **90%**
- D. **900%**

ID: 1a850131 Answer

Correct Answer: D

Rationale

Choice D is correct. It's given that the number of coins in the collection increased from **9** to **90**. It follows that the number of coins in the collection increased by **90 — 9**, or **81**. Let ***x*%** represent the percentage that **81** is of **9**. The value of ***x*** can be found using the proportion $\frac{81}{9} = \frac{x}{100}$, or **9 = $\frac{x}{100}$** . Multiplying both sides of this equation by **100** yields **900 = *x***. Thus, when the number of coins in the collection increased from **9** to **90**, the percent increase was **900%**.

Choice A is incorrect and may result from conceptual or calculation errors.

Choice B is incorrect and may result from conceptual or calculation errors.

Choice C is incorrect and may result from conceptual or calculation errors.

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Question ID e639a4f6

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ID: e639a4f6

The value of z is **1.13** times **100**. The value of z is what percent greater than **100**?

- A. **11.3**
- B. **13**
- C. **130**
- D. **213**

ID: e639a4f6 Answer

Correct Answer: B

Rationale

Choice B is correct. It’s given that the value of z is **1.13** times **100**. This can be written as $z = (1.13)(100)$, which is equivalent to $z = (1 + 0.13)(100)$, or $z = (1 + \frac{13}{100})(100)$. It follows that the value of z is **100%** of **100** plus **13%** of **100**. Therefore, the value of z is **13%** greater than **100**.

Choice A is incorrect. This gives a value of z that is **1.113**, not **1.13**, times **100**.

Choice C is incorrect. This gives a value of z that is **2.30**, not **1.13**, times **100**.

Choice D is incorrect. This gives a value of z that is **3.13**, not **1.13**, times **100**.

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Question ID e8e05313

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In March, the price of a collectible card was \$15.50. In April, the price of the collectible card was \$17.36. The price of the collectible card in April was $p\%$ of the price of the collectible card in March. What is the value of p ?

- A. 12
- B. 88
- C. 112
- D. 188

ID: e8e05313 Answer

Correct Answer: C

Rationale

Choice C is correct. It's given that the price of the collectible card was \$15.50 in March and \$17.36 in April. It's also given that the price of the collectible card in April was $p\%$ of the price in March. It follows that \$17.36 is $p\%$ of \$15.50. Therefore, the value of p can be calculated by solving the equation $17.36 = (\frac{p}{100})(15.50)$, or $17.36 = \frac{15.50p}{100}$. Multiplying each side of this equation by 100 yields $1,736 = 15.50p$. Dividing each side of this equation by 15.50 yields $112 = p$. Therefore, the value of p is 112.

Choice A is incorrect. 12% is the percent increase in the price of the collectible card from March to April.

Choice B is incorrect and may result from conceptual or calculation errors.

Choice D is incorrect and may result from conceptual or calculation errors.

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Question ID d9dc059a

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ID: d9dc059a

13 is $p\%$ of 25. What is the value of p ?

ID: d9dc059a Answer

Correct Answer: 52

Rationale

The correct answer is **52**. It's given that **13** is $p\%$ of **25**. It follows that $\frac{13}{25} = \frac{p}{100}$. Multiplying both sides of this equation by **100** gives **52** = p . Therefore, the value of p is **52**.

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Question ID fdf7a80a

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ID: fdf7a80a

What number is 40% greater than 115?

ID: fdf7a80a Answer

Correct Answer: 161

Rationale

The correct answer is **161**. For a number to be 40% greater than 115, it follows that the number is (100% of 115) + (40% of 115), which can be written as $\frac{100}{100}(115) + \frac{40}{100}(115)$. This expression is equivalent to $1(115) + 0.4(115)$, or $1.4(115)$, which is equal to **161**. Therefore, **161** is 40% greater than **115**.

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Question ID a1c05998

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The amount of Hanna's bill for a food order was **\$50**. Hanna gave a tip of **20%** of the amount of the bill. What is the amount, in dollars, of the tip Hanna gave?

ID: a1c05998 Answer

Correct Answer: 10

Rationale

The correct answer is **10**. It's given that the amount of Hanna's food order was **\$50** and that Hanna gave a tip of **20%** of the amount of the bill. **20%** of **50** can be calculated as $(\frac{20}{100})(50)$, which yields $\frac{1000}{100}$, or **10**. Therefore, the amount, in dollars, of the tip Hanna gave is **10**.

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