

## WORKSHEET – NORMAL DISTRIBUTIONS

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(d) Find the  $z$ -score for the 64th percentile.

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(b) What is the proportion of women's ski lengths that are greater than 125 cm?

(c) What is the proportion of women's ski lengths that are between 125 and 155?

(d) Very long skies are expensive and there are not many people who rent them. What is the longest women's ski a rental shop should carry so that only 2 percent of the costumers will ask to rent a longer ski?

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(a) the percentage of males with BMI less than 20.1.

(b) the percentages of males with BMI greater than 12.3.

(c) the BMI values that correspond to the middle 99.7% of the distribution.

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$$\text{normalcdf}(1.86, 10, 0, 1) \approx \boxed{.031}$$

(d) Find the  $z$ -score for the 64th percentile.



$$\text{invnorm}(.64) = \boxed{.358}$$

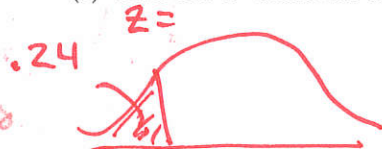
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$$\text{invnorm}(.25) = \boxed{-.674} \text{ and } \boxed{.674}$$

$$P(-.674 \leq z \leq .674) = .50$$

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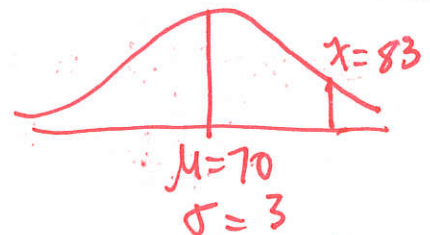


$$\text{invnorm}(.24) = \boxed{-.706 = z}$$

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(a) what is his corresponding  $z$ -score?

$$z = \frac{83 - 70}{3} = \frac{13}{3} = \boxed{4.33}$$



(b) what proportion of men are taller than him?

$$P(x \geq 83) = P(z \geq 4.33) \approx$$



$$\text{normalcdf}(4.33, 10, 0, 1) =$$

$$7.3 \times 10^{-6}$$

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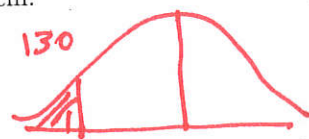
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$$P(x \leq 130) = P(z \leq -2) \approx \boxed{0.023}$$



$$z = \frac{130 - 150}{10} = -2 \quad \mu = 150, \sigma = 10$$



(b) What is the proportion of women's ski lengths that are greater than 125 cm?

$$P(x \geq 125) = P(z \geq -2.5) \approx \boxed{.9938}$$

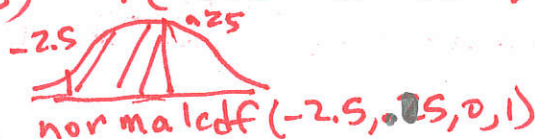


$$z = \frac{125 - 150}{10} = -2.5$$



(c) What is the proportion of women's ski lengths that are between 125 and 155?

$$P(125 \leq x \leq 155) = P(-2.5 \leq z \leq .5) \approx \boxed{.6825}$$



$$z = \frac{155 - 150}{10} = .5$$

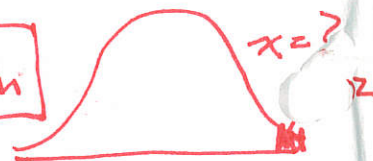
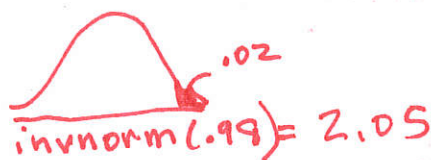


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$$z = \frac{x - \mu}{\sigma}$$

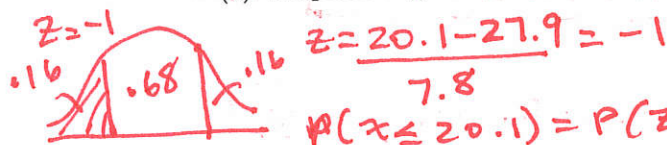
$$2.05 = \frac{x - 150}{10}$$

$$\boxed{x = 170.5 \text{ cm}}$$

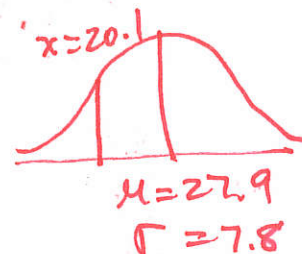


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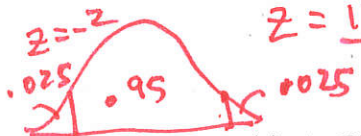
$$P(x \leq 20.1) = P(z \leq -1) \approx \boxed{.16}$$



(b) the percentages of males with BMI greater than 12.3.

$$z = \frac{12.3 - 27.9}{7.8} = -2$$

$$P(x \geq 12.3) = P(z \geq -2) \approx \boxed{.975}$$



(c) the BMI values that correspond to the middle 99.7% of the distribution.

$$3 = \frac{x - 27.9}{7.8} \quad x = 51.3$$

$$-3 = \frac{x - 27.9}{7.8} \quad x = 4.5$$

$$\boxed{4.5 \leq x \leq 51.3}$$



(d) the value such that 0.15% of males have BMI's greater than the value.

$$\boxed{x \geq 51.3}$$

