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## Entering numerical input for practice and homework problems

This course will use numerical input problems in practice and homework problem sets. Use the sample problem below to practice entering different kinds of numbers, including decimals, fractions and exponents. [Review the edX documentation](#) on entering numerical input for more information.

This sample problem is for you to learn how to use numerical input with edX. It is ungraded with many attempts.

### Problem Options

The following options appear with problems.

- **Save:** This button saves your answer if you want to keep your answer but are not ready to submit it yet.
- **Show Answer:** Reveals the answer to a problem after you make an attempt. For the graded problem sets, you will have a limited number of attempts, which will appear next to each problem, and will not be able to see the answer until you have used up all of your attempts on homework problems.
- **Reset:** Clears out your answer before submitting a problem.
- **Hint:** Some problems offer a hint to help you solve them.
- **Submit:** Submits your answer for grading, and counts against your remaining attempts.

### Sample Problem: Fractions and Decimals

0 points possible (ungraded)

This is a sample numerical input problem. What portion of an hour is 30 minutes?

✓ Answer: .5

### Explanation

Did you notice that the numerical input problem takes different formats, such as decimals and fractions? You may also enter exponents and other notation. For example, " $\sqrt{.5}^2$ " is also accepted by the grader.



Submit

You have used 1 of 99 attempts



 Answers are displayed within the problem

