

Percentage Practice Questions for Aptitude Preparation

Q.1. A student has to obtain 33% of the total marks to pass. He got 125 marks and failed by 40 marks. The maximum marks are:

- A. 500
- B. 600
- C. 800
- D. 1000

Ans.- A Explanation:

Given that the student got 125 marks and still he failed by 40 marks

=> The minimum pass mark = $125 + 40 = 165$

Given that minimum pass mark = 33% of the total mark

=> total mark = $33/100 = 165$

=> total mark = $16500/33 = 500$

Q.2. A man spends 35% of his income on food, 25% on children's education and 80% of the remaining on house rent. What percent of his income he is left with?

- A. 6%
- B. 8%
- C. 10%
- D. 12%

Ans.- B

Explanation:

Let the total income be x. Then, income left = $(100 - 80)\%$ of $[100 - (35 + 25)]\%$ of x

= 20% of 40% of x = $20/100 * 40/100 * 100\%$ of x = 8% of x.

Q.3. A shopkeeper bought 600 oranges and 400 bananas. He found 15% of oranges and 8% of bananas were rotten. Find the percentage of fruits in good condition.

- A. 23.4%
- B. 54.8%
- C. 64.5%

D. 87.8%

Ans.- D Explanation:

Total number of fruits shopkeeper bought = $600 + 400 = 1000$ Number of rotten oranges = 15% of 600

$$= \frac{15}{100} \times 600$$

$$= \frac{9000}{100}$$

$$= 90$$

Number of rotten bananas = 8% of 400

$$= \frac{8}{100} \times 400$$

$$= \frac{3200}{100}$$

$$= 32$$

Therefore, total number of rotten fruits = $90 + 32 = 122$. Therefore Number of fruits in good condition = $1000 - 122 = 878$ Therefore Percentage of fruits in good condition = $(\frac{878}{1000} \times 100)\%$

$$= (\frac{87800}{1000})\%$$

$$= 87.8\%$$

Q.4. 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. 100

Ans.- D Explanation:

Let the number of students be x .

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

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

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

$$x = 100.$$

Q.5. If A's height is 40% less than that of B, how much percent B's height is more than that of A?

- A. 66.66%
- B. 76.66%
- C. 96.66%
- D. 86.66%

Ans.- A Explanation:

Excess of B's height over A's = $[(40/(100 - 40))] \times 100\% = 66.66\%$.

Q.6. A number is decreased by 10% and then increased by 10%. The number so obtained is 10 less than the original number. What was the original number?

- A. 1000
- B. 2000
- C. 3000
- D. 4000

Ans.- A Explanation:

Let the original number be x.

Final number obtained = 110% of (90% of x) = $(110/100 \times 90/100 \times x) = (99/100)x$.

$$x - (99/100)x = 10$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 1000$$

Q. 7 Three candidates contested an election and received 1136, 7636 and 11628 votes respectively. What percentage of the total votes did the winning candidate got

- A. 55%
- B. 56%
- C. 57%
- D. 58%

Ans.- C Explanation:

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

Required percentage = $11628/20400 \times 100 = 57\%$