4% = A tiny fraction………………………..

24% = Almost a quarter…………………………….

25% = Exactly…………………. a quarter.

26% = Roughly………………………. one quarter.

32% Nearly one-third………………..,

49% = Almost…………………….. a half, just under a half.

50% Exactly a half.

51% = Just over……………………….. a half.

73% = Nearly…………………………… three quarters.

77% = Above………………………. three quarter, more than three-quarter.

79% = Well over three quarter.

**Proportions:**

2% = A tiny………………………….. portion, a very small proportion.

4% = An insignificant………………………………. minority,

16% = A small minority……………………….., a small portion.

70% = A considerable………………………….. proportion.

89% = A significant……………………….. proportion.

Words/ Phrases of Approximation - Vocabulary:

**»**Approximately  
**»**Nearly  
**»**Roughly  
**»**Almost  
**»**About  
**»**Around  
**»**More or less  
**»**Just over  
**»**Just under  
**»**Just around  
**»**Just about  
**»**Just below  
**»**A little more than  
**»**A little less than.

**arrive at , constitute, amounts, account, percentage**

Undergraduates …constitute…………………………..a significant proportion of our freshmen

Managers …account………………………for tiny percentage of all employees in our company

The number of qualified workers …amounts …………………..60%

The highest …percentage…………..is represented by blue collar workers

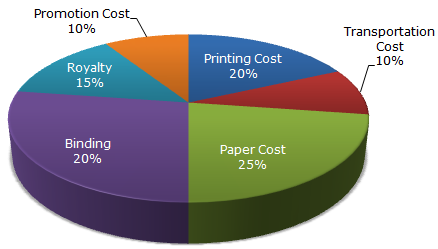
Figure …arrived at……………………..45% in 2001

***Use these examples as models for your own sentences:***

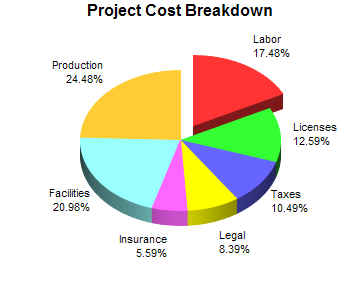
In 1999, 35% of British people went abroad for their holidays, **while** only 28% of Australians spent their holidays in a different country. The figure for the USA **stood** at 31%.

Around 40% of women in the UK had an undergraduate qualification in 1999, **compared to** 37% of men. The figures for the year 2000 rose slightly to 42% and 38% **respectively**.

The following pie-chart shows the percentage distribution of the expenditure incurred in publishing a book. Write a report based on that data using phrases from the top



The following graph presents project cost breakdown. Write report summarizing portrayed hereinbelow



Almost one-quarter of project cost was spent on production.

A little less than 21% of project cost concerned to facilities.

A labor consumed approximately 17,5%.

A little more than one-eight was dispended on licenses.

Taxes posed roughly one-tenth of expenses.

About 8% wass issued on legal.

Just around 5,5 % money was committed for insurance.