

## Basic Use of Percentages

### Equivalent Fractions, Percentages, Decimals

Fractions	Percentages	Decimals
1	100 %	1.0
$\frac{1}{2}$	50 %	0.5
$\frac{1}{4}$	25 %	0.25
$\frac{1}{5}$	20 %	0.2
$\frac{1}{10}$	10 %	0.1
$\frac{23}{100}$	23 %	0.23
$\frac{7}{100}$	7 %	0.07
$\frac{113}{100}$	113 %	1.13
$\frac{1}{3}$	$33\frac{1}{3}\%$	$1.\dot{3}$

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### Finding Percentages of Quantities

Non-Calculator

Find 20% of £84

$$10\% = £8.40$$

$$20\% = £16.80$$

Calculator

Find 83% of £65

$$65 \times 0.83$$

$$= £53.95$$

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Find 75% of 320m

$$25\% = 320 \div 4 = 80$$

$$75\% = 80 \times 3 = 240\text{m}$$

Find 156% of £42

$$42 \times 1.56 = £65.52$$

Find 15% of £82

$$10\% = £8.20$$

$$5\% = £4.10$$

$$15\% = £12.30$$

Find  $7\frac{1}{2}\%$  of 64kg

$$64 \times 0.075$$

$$4.8 \text{ kg}$$

Increase a Quantity by a Given Percentage

Ex1 Increase £38 by 19%

Method 1 Find 19% and add it on

$$£38 \times 0.19 = £7.22$$

$$£38 + £7.22 = £45.22$$

Method 2 Add on the percentage and find it

Increase £38 by 19%

Find 119%

$$£38 \times 1.19 = £45.22$$

## Decrease a Quantity by a Given Percentage

Ex1 Decrease 72 kg by 14%

Method 1 Find 14% and subtract from original

$$72 \times 0.14 = 10.08 \text{ kg}$$

$$72 \text{ kg} - 10.08 \text{ kg} = 61.92 \text{ kg}$$

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Method Calculate remaining percentage and find it

Decrease 72 kg by 14%

86% remains

$$72 \times 0.86 = 61.92 \text{ kg}$$

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## Expressing One Quantity as a Percentage of Another

Example Express 24 as a percentage of 60

$$\frac{24}{60} \times 100 \%$$

$$= 40 \%$$

Ex 2 156 students out of 228 pass an exam  
Find the percentage pass rate

$$\frac{156}{228} \times 100 \% = 68.4 \%$$