



Solving Percent Problems

Directions:

Step 1: Draw and label a picture (box method) to represent each scenario.

Step 2: Record the proportion you see in your box method that you could use to solve for x (don't solve). Do this for all problems.

Step 3: Go back to each problem and estimate the value of x ; record your methods for estimating.

Step 4: Go back to each problem and SOLVE the proportion you wrote. Make sure this answer makes sense compared with the estimate.

1. A baseball pitcher won 80% of the games he pitched. If he pitched 35 ballgames, how many games did he win?

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2. Jerry, an electrician, worked 7 months out of the year. What percent of the year did he work?

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3. A metal bar weighs 8.15 ounces. 93% of the bar is silver. How many ounces of silver are in the bar? (Round to the nearest thousandth)

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4. A woman put \$580 into a savings account for one year. The rate of interest on the account was $6\frac{1}{2}\%$. How much was the interest for the year in dollars and cents? (Round to the nearest cent)

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5. A student answered 86 problems on a test correctly and received a grade 98%. How many problems were on the test, if all the problems were worth the same number of points?

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6. Manuel found a wrecked Trans-Am that he could fix. He bought the car for 65% of the original price of \$7200. What did he pay for the car? (Round to nearest dollar)

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7. Pamela bought an electric drill at 85% of the regular price. She paid \$32.89 for the drill. What was the regular price? (Round to the nearest cent)

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8. Ben earns \$12,800 a year. About 15% is taken out for taxes. How much is taken out for taxes?

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9. At a sale, shirts were sold for \$15 each. This price was 80% of their original price. What was the original price?

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10. A \$150 snowboard is marked up 30%. What is the new price?

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11. A pair of jeans cost \$40 last year. This year they cost \$48. What was the percent of increase?

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12. On a math exam, there were 25 questions. There were 2 extra credit problems as well. If a student got all 27 questions correct and the test was scored out of a total of 25, what percent would the student receive?

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