

# 7. [Decimals / Fractions / Percentages]

## Skill 7.1 Ordering decimal numbers.

MM5.2 1 2 2 3 3 4 4  
MM6.1 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4

- Line up the decimal numbers at their decimal points.
- Compare digits in the same places, starting from the left, until you find the smallest digit.  
*Hint: The number with the smallest digit will be the smallest number.*
- Look for the second smallest number.
- Continue in this way until you find the largest number.

**Q.** Place in order from smallest to largest:  
0.325, 0.025, 0.035, 0.235

	units	tenths	hundredths	thousandths
	U	T	H	Th
(largest) 4th	0	3	2	5
(smallest) 1st	0	0	2	5
2nd	0	0	3	5
3rd	0	2	3	5

**A.** 0.025, 0.035, 0.235, 0.325

Find the smallest digits.  
Work from left to right.

**Units:** all 0

**Tenths:**  $0 < 2 < 3$   
either 0.025 or 0.035  
is the smallest

**Hundredths:**  $2 < 3$   
so 0.025 is the smallest and  
0.035 is 2nd smallest

**Tenths:**  $2 < 3$   
so 0.235 is 3rd smallest  
0.325 is the largest

**a)** Place in order from smallest to largest:  
0.606, 0.66, 0.066, 0.06

U	T	H	Th
0	6	0	6
0	6	6	
0	0	6	6
0	0	6	6

*the smallest number*

**b)** Place in order from largest to smallest:  
3.041, 3.04, 3.104, 3.014

U	T	H	Th

**c)** Write in ascending order:  
0.263, 0.236, 0.326, 0.362

**d)** Write in descending order:  
0.052, 0.025, 0.05, 0.205

**e)** Write in descending order:  
0.075, 0.507, 0.570, 0.057

**f)** Write in ascending order:  
1.264, 1.064, 1.24, 1.246

**g)** Write in ascending order:  
0.617, 0.706, 0.076, 0.176

**h)** Write in descending order:  
3.28, 3.892, 3.298, 3.928

## Skill 7.2 Ordering fractions.

MM5.2 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4  
MM6.1 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4

- Find the lowest common denominator of the fractions, which is the Lowest Common Multiple (LCM) of the denominators.
- Change the fractions to equivalent fractions with the lowest common denominator.
- Arrange the fractions in order of the numerators (the smallest fraction has the smallest numerator and so on).

*smallest numerator = smallest fraction*

$$\frac{1}{6} < \frac{3}{6} < \frac{5}{6}$$

*same denominator*

*Hints: If unsure which is the LCM of the denominators, use their product as the common denominator.*

*When the smaller denominators divide evenly into the biggest denominator, this biggest number becomes the common denominator.*

**Q.** Place in ascending order: **A.**  $\frac{4}{5}, \frac{83}{100}, \frac{21}{25}$

$\frac{4}{5}, \frac{21}{25}, \frac{83}{100}$

$\frac{4 \times 20}{5 \times 20} = \frac{80}{100}$  because  $100 \div 5 = 20$

$\frac{21 \times 4}{25 \times 4} = \frac{84}{100}$  because  $100 \div 25 = 4$

$\frac{83}{100} = \frac{83}{100}$

$80 < 83 < 84$ , so  $\frac{80}{100} < \frac{83}{100} < \frac{84}{100}$  or  $\frac{4}{5} < \frac{83}{100} < \frac{21}{25}$

*LCM of 5, 25 and 100 is 100*

**a)** Place in ascending order:

$\frac{2}{3}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{13}{18}$  *LCM of 3, 6 and 18 is 18*

$\frac{2 \times 6}{3 \times 6} = \frac{12}{18}$     $\frac{5 \times 3}{6 \times 3} = \frac{15}{18}$     $\frac{13}{18}$

$\frac{12}{18} < \frac{13}{18} < \frac{15}{18}$

$\frac{2}{3}, \frac{13}{18}, \frac{5}{6}$

**b)** Place in descending order:

$\frac{21}{50}, \frac{2}{5}, \frac{43}{100}$

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**c)** Place in ascending order:

$\frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{9}, \frac{23}{36}$

.....

.....

**d)** Place in descending order:

$\frac{7}{10}, \frac{31}{50}, \frac{71}{100}$

.....

.....

**e)** Place in ascending order:

$\frac{13}{40}, \frac{3}{8}, \frac{1}{4}$

.....

.....

**f)** Place in descending order:

$\frac{7}{18}, \frac{29}{54}, \frac{4}{9}$

.....

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### Skill 7.3 Finding equivalent fractions.

- Check if you need to multiply or divide the numerator or denominator of the first fraction to reach the numerator or denominator of the second fraction.
- Do the same operation to the top and bottom of the fraction.

Example:  $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{\boxed{?}}{18} \Rightarrow \frac{2 \times 6}{3 \times 6} = \frac{\boxed{12}}{18}$

So  $\frac{2}{3}$  and  $\frac{12}{18}$  are equivalent fractions.

- Multiply or divide the numerator and denominator of the first fraction by the same number until you reach the second fraction.

**Q.** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{30}{180} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}{18} = \frac{1}{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}$$

**A.**  $\frac{30}{180} = \frac{?}{18} \Rightarrow \frac{30 \div 10}{180 \div 10} = \frac{3}{18}$

and  $\frac{30}{180} = \frac{1}{?} \Rightarrow \frac{30 \div 30}{180 \div 30} = \frac{1}{6}$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{30}{180} = \frac{\boxed{3}}{18} = \frac{1}{\boxed{6}}$$

**a)** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{5}{6} = \frac{15}{\boxed{18}}$$

$$\frac{5}{6} = \frac{15}{?} \Rightarrow \frac{5 \times 3}{6 \times 3} = \frac{15}{18}$$

**b)** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{5}{8} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}{200}$$

**c)** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{85}{100} = \frac{17}{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}$$

**d)** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}{20} = \frac{75}{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}$$

**e)** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{64}{144} = \frac{16}{\boxed{\phantom{00}}} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}{9}$$

**f)** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{20}{70} = \frac{10}{\boxed{\phantom{00}}} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}{7}$$

**g)** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{2}{5} = \frac{10}{\boxed{\phantom{00}}} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}{75}$$

**h)** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{50}{80} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}{40} = \frac{5}{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}$$

**i)** Complete the equivalent fractions:

$$\frac{4}{9} = \frac{12}{\boxed{\phantom{00}}} = \frac{\boxed{\phantom{00}}}{81}$$

**j)**  $\frac{11 \times 10}{12 \times 10} = \frac{11}{12}$   
True or false? true

*Simplify: Divide by 10*

$$\frac{11 \times 10}{12 \times 10} = \frac{11\cancel{0}}{12\cancel{0}} = \frac{11}{12}$$

**k)**  $\frac{4+8}{5+8} = \frac{4}{5}$   
True or false?

**l)**  $\frac{100-6}{200-6} = \frac{1}{2}$   
True or false?

## Skill 7.4 Writing a decimal number as a percentage.

MM5.2 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4  
MM6.1 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4

- Multiply the decimal number by 100, by moving the decimal point two places to the right.
  - Add the percentage sign.
- Hint: Zeros can be added at the end of any decimal number:  $0.4 = 0.4000$*

**Q.** Write 0.125 as a percentage.

**A.**  $0.125 = 0.125 \times 100\% = 12.5\%$  2 zeros, 2 places to the right

**a)** Write 0.03 as a percentage.

$$0.03 = 0.03 \times 100\% = 3\%$$

**b)** Write 0.2 as a percentage.

$$0.2 = \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**c)** Write 0.35 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**d)** Write 0.88 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**e)** Write 0.08 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**f)** Write 0.1 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**g)** Write 0.02 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**h)** Write 0.4 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**i)** Write 0.463 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**j)** Write 0.055 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**k)** Write 0.015 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**l)** Write 0.071 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**m)** Write 1.2 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**n)** Write 2.5 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**o)** Write 2.3 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**p)** Write 3.1 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**q)** Write 0.343 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

**r)** Write 0.214 as a percentage.

$$= \boxed{\phantom{00}}\%$$

## Skill 7.5 Writing a percentage as a decimal number.

MM5.2 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4  
MM6.1 1 1 2 2 3 3 4 4

- Write the percentage as a fraction out of 100.
- Divide the numerator of the fraction by 100, by moving the decimal point two places to the left.

*Hint: Fractions are just divisions.*

*There is a decimal point and zeros which are not written, at the end of any whole number:  
27 = 27.00*

*Zeros can also be added before the number: 27 = 027.00*

**Q.** Write 2.45% as a decimal number.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A. } 2.45\% &= \frac{2.45}{100} \\ &= 2.45 \div 100 \\ &= \widehat{00}2.45 \div 100 \\ &= \mathbf{0.0245} \end{aligned}$$

2 zeros, 2 places to the left

**a)** Write 9% as a decimal number.

$$9\% = \frac{9}{100} = \widehat{00}9.0 \div 100 = \boxed{0.09}$$

**b)** Write 4% as a decimal number.

$$4\% = \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**c)** Write 70% as a decimal number.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**d)** Write 86% as a decimal number.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**e)** Write 40% as a decimal number.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**f)** Write 63% as a decimal number.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**g)** Write 2.5% as a decimal number.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**h)** Write 4.15% as a decimal number.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**i)** Write 11.5% as a decimal number.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**j)** Write 3.25% as a decimal number.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**k)** Income tax is 15% for an income between \$6001 and \$21 600. Write the percentage as a decimal.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**l)** Approximately 60% of the waste at the tip is household waste. Write this as a decimal.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**m)** The interest rate of a major credit card is 17.5%. Write this as a decimal.

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

**n)** Maximum legal blood alcohol concentration for drivers in NSW is 0.05%. What is this as a decimal?

$$= \quad = \quad = \boxed{\quad}$$

## Skill 7.6 Writing a decimal number as a fraction in simplest form.

MM5.2 11 2 2 33 44  
MM6.1 11 2 2 33 44

- Write the decimal number as the numerator of the fraction.
- Ignore any zeros at the start of the number.
- Use the place value of the last digit of the decimal number to determine the size of the denominator.

Example:

units	tenths	hundredths
0	0	8

$$= 8 \text{ hundredths} = \frac{8}{100}$$

Write the 8 as the numerator

8 in hundredths place, denominator = 100

- Write the fraction in simplest form. Divide both the numerator and the denominator by the same number.

Example:

$$\frac{8}{100} \div 4 = \frac{2}{25}$$

Hint: For the denominator, write 1 followed by one zero for each digit after the decimal point.

Example:

$$0.08 = \frac{8}{100}$$

- Q.** Write 0.92 as a fraction in simplest form.

**A.**  $0.92 = \frac{92}{100}$

Write the 92 as the numerator

2 zeros for 2 decimal places

Simplify:  $\div 4$

$$= \frac{92 \div 4}{100 \div 4} = \frac{23}{25}$$

- a)** Write 0.6 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$0.6 = \frac{6}{10} \xrightarrow{\text{Simplify: } \div 2} = \frac{3}{5}$$

- b)** Write 0.02 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$0.02 = \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

- c)** Write 0.12 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$0.12 = \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

- d)** Write 0.05 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

- e)** Write 0.45 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

- f)** Write 0.8 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

- g)** Write 0.2 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

- h)** Write 0.68 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

- i)** Write 0.84 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

- j)** Write 0.04 as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

## Skill 7.7 Writing a fraction as a terminating decimal.

MM5.2 11 2 3 3 4 4  
MM6.1 11 2 3 3 4 4

When the denominator **is** a power of 10:

- Divide the numerator by the power of 10 by moving the decimal point to the left.

Example:  $\frac{27}{100} = 27 \div 100$   
 $= \overbrace{027.0} \div 100$  *2 zeros, 2 places to the left*  
 $= 0.27$

*Hints: Fractions are just divisions.*

*There is a decimal point and zeros which are not written, at the end of any whole number:  $27 = 27.00$*

*Zeros can also be added before the number:  $27 = 027.0$*

*The number of zeros in the denominator shows the number of digits after the decimal point.*

$$\frac{27}{100} = 0.27$$

When the denominator **is not** a power of 10:

EITHER

- Multiply both the numerator and denominator by the same number to make the denominator a power of 10. (e.g. 10, 100 or 1000).

Example:  $\frac{1}{4} = \frac{1 \times 25}{4 \times 25} = \frac{25}{100} = 0.25$  *power of 10*

OR

- Divide the numerator by the denominator.

Example:  $\frac{1}{4} = 1 \div 4 = 1.00 \div 4 = 0.25$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.25 \\ 4 \overline{) 1.00} \\ \underline{4} \phantom{00} \\ 6 \phantom{0} \\ \underline{6} \phantom{0} \\ 0 \phantom{0} \\ \underline{0} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

*Hint: Fractions are just divisions.*

**Q.** Write  $\frac{2}{5}$  as a decimal.

*Make denominator a power of 10*

**A.**  $\frac{2}{5} = \frac{2 \times 20}{5 \times 20}$

because  $100 \div 5 = 20$

**OR A.**  $\frac{2}{5} = 2 \div 5$

$= 2.0 \div 5$   
 $= 0.4$

$= \frac{40}{100}$

$= 40 \div 100$

$= \overbrace{040.0} \div 100$  *2 zeros, 2 places to the left*

$= 0.40$

$= 0.4$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.4 \\ 5 \overline{) 2.0} \\ \underline{2} \phantom{0} \\ 0 \end{array}$$

**a)** Write  $\frac{3}{50}$  as a decimal.

$= \frac{3 \times 2}{50 \times 2} = \frac{6}{100}$

$= \overbrace{006.0} \div 100 = \boxed{0.06}$

**b)** Write  $\frac{9}{20}$  as a decimal.

$=$

$= \boxed{\phantom{000}}$

**c)** Write  $\frac{1}{2}$  as a decimal.

$=$

$= \boxed{\phantom{000}}$

**d)** Write  $\frac{17}{50}$  as a decimal.

$=$

$= \boxed{\phantom{000}}$

**e)** Write  $\frac{14}{25}$  as a decimal.

$=$

$= \boxed{\phantom{000}}$

**f)** Write  $\frac{3}{4}$  as a decimal.

$=$

$= \boxed{\phantom{000}}$

**g)** Write  $\frac{4}{5}$  as a decimal.

$=$

$= \boxed{\phantom{000}}$

**h)** Write  $\frac{11}{25}$  as a decimal.

$=$

$= \boxed{\phantom{000}}$

**i)** Write  $\frac{11}{20}$  as a decimal.

$=$

$= \boxed{\phantom{000}}$

## Skill 7.8 Writing a percentage as a fraction in simplest form.

MM5.2 11 22 33 44  
MM6.1 11 22 33 44

- Write the percentage as a fraction with the denominator of 100.
- Simplify the fraction by dividing both the numerator and the denominator by the same number.

*Hints: Percent means "per hundred" or "out of a hundred".*

*A percentage is another way of writing a fraction out of one hundred.*

Example: 75% is said "75 percent" and means 75 out of 100.

**Q.** Write 8% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A. } 8\% &= \frac{8^{\div 4}}{100^{\div 4}} \quad \text{Simplify: } \div 4 \\ &= \frac{2}{25} \end{aligned}$$

**a)** Write 36% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$36\% = \frac{36^{\div 4}}{100^{\div 4}} \quad \text{Simplify: } \div 4 = \frac{9}{25}$$

**b)** Write 6% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$6\% = \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**c)** Write 75% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**d)** Write 30% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**e)** Write 18% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**f)** Write 90% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**g)** Write 25% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**h)** Write 44% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**i)** Write 40% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**j)** Write 56% as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**k)** If Australia's Gross National Product grew 4% quarterly in 2006, what would the percentage be if written as a fraction in simplest form?

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**l)** A 2010 survey found that 74% of teenagers owned an MP3 player or an iPod. Write this percentage as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**m)** If 26% of women have obtained a bachelor degree, what would the percentage be if written as a fraction in simplest form?

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$

**n)** A 2011 survey found that 35% of people give to charity once a month. Write this percentage as a fraction in simplest form.

$$= \frac{\quad}{\quad}$$



$$\frac{\text{Number}}{100} = \text{Number } \%$$

$$\text{Fraction} \times \frac{100}{1} \% = \text{Percentage}$$

EITHER

- Find the equivalent fraction which has a denominator of 100.
- The numerator of this fraction becomes the equivalent percentage.

Example:  $\frac{3}{10} \times \frac{10}{10} = \frac{30}{100} = 30\%$

OR

- Multiply the fraction by  $\frac{100}{1}$  and include the % sign.

Example:  $\frac{3}{10} = \frac{3}{10} \times \frac{100}{1} \% \xrightarrow{\text{Simplify: } \div 10} = 30\%$

**Q.** What percentage is 3 out of 5?

**A.**  $\frac{3}{5} = \frac{3 \times 20}{5 \times 20}$  because  $100 \div 5 = 20$   $\xrightarrow{3 \times 20 = 60}$  **OR** **A.**  $\frac{3}{5} = \frac{3}{\cancel{5}} \times \frac{100}{1} \% \xrightarrow{\text{Simplify: } \div 5} = 3 \times 20\% = 60\%$

**a)** Write  $\frac{3}{20}$  as a percentage.

$$\frac{3}{20} = \frac{3 \times 5}{20 \times 5} = \frac{15}{100} = \boxed{15\%}$$

**b)** Write  $\frac{7}{10}$  as a percentage.

$$\frac{7}{10} = \frac{7 \times 10}{10 \times 10} = \frac{70}{100} = \boxed{70\%}$$

**c)** Write  $\frac{3}{25}$  as a percentage.

$$= \frac{3 \times 4}{25 \times 4} = \frac{12}{100} = \boxed{12\%}$$

**d)** Write  $\frac{14}{70}$  as a percentage.

$$= \frac{14 \times 10}{70 \times 10} = \frac{140}{700} = \frac{14}{70} = \frac{2}{10} = \frac{20}{100} = \boxed{20\%}$$

**e)** What percentage is 15 out of 150?

$$= \frac{15}{150} = \frac{15 \times 20}{150 \times 20} = \frac{300}{3000} = \frac{30}{300} = \frac{10}{100} = \boxed{10\%}$$

**f)** What percentage is 45 out of 50?

$$\frac{45}{50} = \frac{45}{\cancel{50}} \times \frac{200}{1} \% = 45 \times 2\% = \boxed{90\%}$$

**g)** Ng receives \$50 commission on a \$1000 sale. What percentage is this?

$$= \frac{50}{1000} = \frac{50 \times 20}{1000 \times 20} = \frac{1000}{20000} = \frac{10}{200} = \frac{5}{100} = \boxed{5\%}$$

**h)** In a class of 25 students, 10 play netball. What percentage is this?

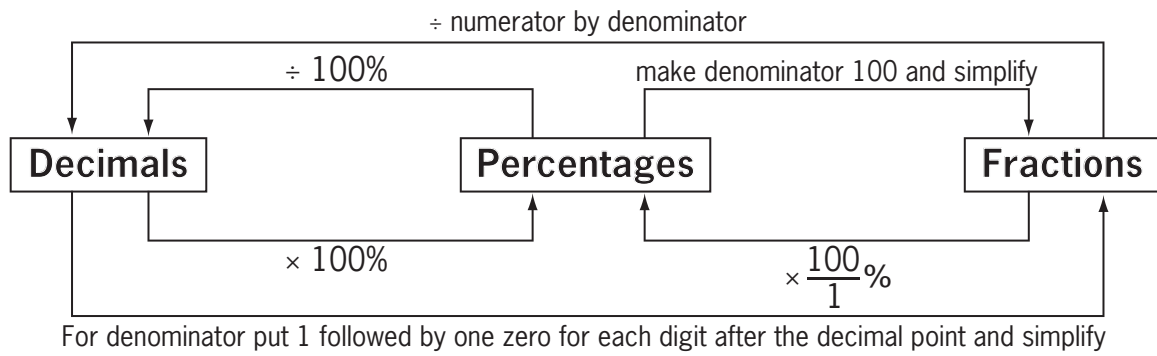
$$= \frac{10}{25} = \frac{10 \times 4}{25 \times 4} = \frac{40}{100} = \boxed{40\%}$$

**i)** One quarter of the men surveyed enjoy walking as their main form of physical exercise. What percentage is this?

$$= \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1 \times 25}{4 \times 25} = \frac{25}{100} = \boxed{25\%}$$

**j)** Three tenths of the women surveyed enjoy aerobics/fitness as their main form of physical exercise. What percentage is this?

$$= \frac{3}{10} = \frac{3 \times 10}{10 \times 10} = \frac{30}{100} = \boxed{30\%}$$



Q. Complete the table:

Deci mal	Fracti on	Percentage
		5%

A.

$5\% = \frac{5 \div 5}{100 \div 5}$  *Simplify: ÷ 5*

$= \frac{1}{20}$

Fraction

$5\% = \frac{5}{100}$

$= 5 \div 100$

$= 005.0 \div 100$  *2 zeros, 2 places to the left*

$= 0.05$

Decimal

Deci mal	Fracti on	Percentage
0.05	$\frac{5}{100} = \frac{1}{20}$	5%

a) Complete the table:

Deci mal	Fracti on	Percentage
0.045		

$0.045 = \frac{45 \div 5}{1000 \div 5} = \frac{9}{200}$  *Simplify: ÷ 5*

$0.045 = 0.045 \times 100\% = 4.5\%$

b) Complete the table:

Deci mal	Fracti on	Percentage
0.75		

c) Complete the table:

Deci mal	Fracti on	Percentage
	$\frac{3}{5}$	

d) Complete the table:

Deci mal	Fracti on	Percentage
	$\frac{9}{50}$	

EITHER

- Change 'of' to 'x'.
- Multiply the fraction by the whole number.  
(see skill 5.1, page 49)
- Cross simplify where possible before multiplying.  
(see skill 5.1, page 49)

OR

- Divide the whole number by the denominator of the fraction.
- Multiply the result by the numerator of the fraction.

Example: Three fifths of 20?

First find one fifth of 20 by dividing 20 by 5:

$$20 \div 5 = 4$$

Then find three fifths of 20 by multiplying 4 by 3.

$$4 + 4 + 4 = 4 \times 3 = 12$$

So three fifths of 20 is 12.

To find  $\frac{1}{2}$  of a number  $\Rightarrow \div 2$   
 $\frac{1}{3}$  of a number  $\Rightarrow \div 3$   
 $\frac{1}{4}$  of a number  $\Rightarrow \div 4$   
 $\frac{1}{5}$  of a number  $\Rightarrow \div 5$   
 $\frac{1}{6}$  of a number  $\Rightarrow \div 6$   
 $\frac{1}{10}$  of a number  $\Rightarrow \div 10$   
 and so on.

**Q.** Of the 1500 seats in the Opera Theatre at Sydney Opera House in Sydney, five sixths were occupied. How many spectators were in the Opera Theatre?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{A. } \frac{5}{6} \text{ of } 1500 &= \frac{5}{\cancel{6}} \times \overset{250}{\cancel{1500}} \\ &= \frac{5 \times 250}{1} \\ &= 1250 \end{aligned}$$

*Simplify:  $\div 6$*

**OR A.**  $1500 \div 6 = 250$  *Find  $\frac{1}{6}$*

$$250 \times 5 = 1250$$

*Find  $\frac{5}{6}$*

**a)** Find  $\frac{3}{10}$  of 160. *Simplify:  $\div 10$*

$$\frac{3}{10} \text{ of } 160 = \frac{3}{\cancel{10}} \times \cancel{160} = 3 \times 16 = \boxed{\phantom{00}}$$

**b)** Find four sevenths of 280. =  $\boxed{\phantom{00}}$

**c)** Find  $\frac{2}{9}$  of 360. =  $\boxed{\phantom{00}}$

**d)** Find five eighths of 3200. =  $\boxed{\phantom{00}}$

**e)** Of the 50 European countries,  $\frac{3}{25}$  have German as their official language. How many European countries have German as their official language? =  $\boxed{\phantom{00}}$

**f)** The Western Bulldogs won four elevenths of the 22 games played in the 2013 AFL season. How many games did the Western Bulldogs win? =  $\boxed{\phantom{00}}$

**g)** Of the 36 medals won by New Zealand at the 2010 Commonwealth Games, one sixth were gold. How many gold medals did New Zealand win? =  $\boxed{\phantom{00}}$

**h)** Only one tenth of the 120 qualifiers at the *American Idol* are chosen for the finals. How many will sing in the finals? =  $\boxed{\phantom{00}}$

**i)** Two fifths of the \$1200 raised at the Fireworks Frenzy were from the entry tickets. How much money was raised from the tickets? = \$  $\boxed{\phantom{00}}$

**j)** Maria paid one twentieth of \$350 000 as a deposit for a house. How much did she pay up-front? = \$  $\boxed{\phantom{00}}$

- Convert the decimals, fractions and percentages to the same form, by writing all as decimals, or as fractions, or as percentages. (see skill 7.11, page 81)
- Compare and order the decimals, or the fractions, or the percentages.  
*Hint: The most convenient form is the decimal form. Write the fractions and percentages as decimals.*

**Q.** Write in ascending order:

$$\frac{17}{100}, 0.7, 7\%$$

**A.**

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{17}{100} &= 17 \div 100 \\ &= 0\overline{17}.0 \div 100 \\ &= \mathbf{0.17} \end{aligned}$$

Write the fraction as a decimal

2 zeros, 2 places to the left

Fraction

$$\begin{aligned} 7\% &= \frac{7}{100} \\ &= 7 \div 100 \\ &= 0\overline{07}.0 \div 100 \\ &= \mathbf{0.07} \end{aligned}$$

Write the percentage as a decimal

Percentage

The order from smallest to largest is:

$$0.07, 0.17, 0.7 \quad \text{OR} \quad 7\%, \frac{17}{100}, 0.7$$

**a)** Which is greater?

0.09 or 90%

$$90\% = \frac{90}{100} = 0\overline{90}.0 \div 100 = 0.9$$

$$0.9 > 0.09$$

**90%**

**b)** Which is greater?

0.8 or 75%

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**c)** Place in ascending order:

$$\frac{1}{3}, 0.31, 30\%$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = 1 \div 3 = 1.0 \div 3 = 0.33\dot{3}$$

$$30\% = \frac{30}{100} = 0\overline{30}.0 \div 100 = 0.3$$

$$0.3 < 0.31 < 0.3\dot{3}$$

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**d)** Place in descending order:

$$0.66, 6\%, \frac{6}{10}$$

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**e)** Place in ascending order:

$$\frac{1}{4}, 0.14, 41\%$$

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**f)** Place in descending order:

$$\frac{4}{5}, 0.83, 81\%$$

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**If the dot is above one digit**

- Write the digit repeatedly.

**If the dots are above two digits side by side**

- Write the group of 2 digits repeatedly.

**If the dots are above two digits which are not side by side**

- Write the group of all the digits in between the dots repeatedly.

**Q.**  $0.4\dot{9}\dot{5}$  is the notation for:

- A) 0.4995599.....  
B) 0.4959595.....  
C) 0.4999555.....

**A. B**

The dots above 95 (side by side) mean that 95 must be repeated indefinitely after 4.

**a)**  $0.\dot{2}$  is the notation for:

- A) 0.02222.....  
B) 0.2222.....  
C) 2.2222.....

**B****b)**  $5.\dot{3}$  is the notation for:

- A) 5.03333.....  
B) 0.3333.....  
C) 5.3333.....

**c)**  $9.\dot{5}$  is the notation for:

- A) 9.9955.....  
B) 9.5555.....  
C) 0.9595.....

**d)**  $0.7\dot{3}$  is the notation for:

- A) 0.7333.....  
B) 0.737373.....  
C) 0.773377.....

**e)**  $0.2\dot{7}$  is the notation for:

- A) 0.222777.....  
B) 0.272727.....  
C) 0.2777.....

**f)**  $0.86\dot{1}$  is the notation for:

- A) 0.86111.....  
B) 0.861861.....  
C) 0.868686.....

**g)**  $0.\dot{2}\dot{3}$  is the notation for:

- A) 0.222333.....  
B) 0.232323.....  
C) 0.2333.....

**h)**  $0.5\dot{4}$  is the notation for:

- A) 0.55445544.....  
B) 0.555444.....  
C) 0.545454.....

**i)**  $0.59\dot{3}$  is the notation for:

- A) 0.5939393.....  
B) 0.5993399.....  
C) 0.593593.....

**j)**  $0.\dot{3}\dot{7}\dot{6}$  is the notation for:

- A) 0.3337666.....  
B) 0.376376.....  
C) 0.3766666.....

## Skill 7.14 Writing a fraction as a recurring decimal.

MM5.2 11 22 33 44  
MM6.1 11 22 33 44

- Divide the numerator by the denominator.
- Write a decimal point and zeros at the end of the numerator to complete the division.
- In the result, when a single digit is repeating after the decimal point, write the digit only once with a dot on top.
- In the result, when a pattern of digits is repeating after the decimal point, write the pattern only once, with a dot over the first and last digit of it.

Examples:

$$\frac{5}{9} = 5 \div 9 = 5.0000... \div 9 = 0.5555... \quad \text{OR} \quad = 0.\dot{5} \quad \begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{5}\dot{5}\dot{5}\dot{5}\dot{5} \\ 9 \overline{) \cancel{5}.0000} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{1}{6} = 1 \div 6 = 1.0000... \div 6 = 0.1666... \quad \text{OR} \quad = 0.1\dot{6} \quad \begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{1}666 \\ 6 \overline{) \cancel{1}.0000} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{3}{11} = 3 \div 11 = 3.0000... \div 11 = 0.2727... \quad \text{OR} \quad = 0.2\dot{7} \quad \begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{2}727 \\ 11 \overline{) \cancel{3}.0000} \end{array}$$

$$\frac{3}{7} = 3 \div 7 = 3.0000... \div 7 = 0.428571428571... \quad \text{OR} \quad = 0.\dot{4}2857\dot{1} \quad \begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{4}2857\dot{1}42857\dot{1} \\ 7 \overline{) \cancel{3}.0000000000} \end{array}$$

**Q.** Write  $\frac{2}{9}$  as a recurring decimal.

**A.**  $\frac{2}{9} = 2 \div 9$

$$= 2.0000... \div 9 \\ = 0.2222... \\ = 0.\dot{2}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{2}222 \\ 9 \overline{) \cancel{2}.0000} \end{array}$$

**a)** Write  $\frac{1}{11}$  as a recurring decimal.

$$\frac{1}{11} = 1 \div 11 = 1.0000... \div 11 = \boxed{0.\dot{0}9}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{0}909 \\ 11 \overline{) \cancel{1}.0000} \end{array}$$

**b)** Write  $\frac{4}{11}$  as a recurring decimal.

$$\dots\dots\dots \boxed{\phantom{0.\dot{\phantom{0}}\phantom{0}}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{3}6 \\ 11 \overline{) \cancel{4}.0000} \end{array}$$

**c)** Write  $\frac{2}{3}$  as a recurring decimal.

$$\dots\dots\dots \boxed{\phantom{0.\dot{\phantom{0}}\phantom{0}}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \phantom{0.} \\ 3 \overline{) 2.0000} \end{array}$$

**d)** Write  $\frac{4}{9}$  as a recurring decimal.

$$\dots\dots\dots \boxed{\phantom{0.\dot{\phantom{0}}\phantom{0}}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \phantom{0.} \\ 9 \overline{) 4.0000} \end{array}$$

**e)** Write  $\frac{11}{15}$  as a recurring decimal.

$$\dots\dots\dots \boxed{\phantom{0.\dot{\phantom{0}}\phantom{0}}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \phantom{0.} \\ 15 \overline{) 11.0000} \end{array}$$

**f)** Write  $\frac{5}{12}$  as a recurring decimal.

$$\dots\dots\dots \boxed{\phantom{0.\dot{\phantom{0}}\phantom{0}}}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} \phantom{0.} \\ 12 \overline{) 5.0000} \end{array}$$

- Convert each fraction to a decimal to find the answer. (see skill 7.14, page 84)

**Q.** Which fraction does  $0.2\dot{6}$  equal?

A)  $\frac{1}{6}$    B)  $\frac{26}{100}$    C)  $\frac{4}{15}$

**A.** A)  $\frac{1}{6} = 1 \div 6$   
 $\frac{1}{6} = 1.0000... \div 6$   
 $= 0.1666...$   
 $= 0.1\dot{6}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{1}6\dot{6}6 \\ 6 \overline{) 1.0\dot{0}0\dot{0}0} \\ \underline{6} \phantom{000} \\ 4 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{6} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \end{array}$$

B)  $\frac{26}{100} = 26 \div 100 = 0.26$

C)  $\frac{4}{15} = 4 \div 15$   
 $\frac{4}{15} = 4.0000... \div 15$   
 $= 0.2666...$   
 $= 0.2\dot{6}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{2}6\dot{6}6 \\ 15 \overline{) 4.0\dot{0}0\dot{0}0} \\ \underline{3} \phantom{000} \\ 1 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \end{array}$$

The answer is **C**.

**a)** Which fraction is approximately equal to 0.4444?

A)  $\frac{1}{4}$    B)  $\frac{4}{9}$    C)  $\frac{1}{2}$

$\frac{1}{4} = 1 \div 4 = 0.25$     $\frac{4}{9} = 4 \div 9 = 0.4444$

$\frac{1}{2} = 1 \div 2 = 0.5$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.4444 \\ 9 \overline{) 4.0\dot{0}0\dot{0}0} \\ \underline{3} \phantom{000} \\ 1 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \end{array}$$

**b)** Which fraction does  $0.\dot{5}$  equal?

A)  $\frac{1}{5}$    B)  $\frac{5}{10}$    C)  $\frac{5}{9}$

$\frac{1}{5} = 1 \div 5 = 0.2$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.\dot{5} \\ 9 \overline{) 5.0\dot{0}0\dot{0}0} \\ \underline{4} \phantom{000} \\ 1 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \end{array}$$

**c)** Which fraction does  $0.\dot{3}$  equal?

A)  $\frac{3}{5}$    B)  $\frac{1}{3}$    C)  $\frac{3}{10}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 1.0000 \\ 3 \overline{) 1.0\dot{0}0\dot{0}0} \\ \underline{3} \phantom{000} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \end{array}$$

**d)** Which fraction does  $0.0\dot{8}$  equal?

A)  $\frac{8}{90}$    B)  $\frac{8}{10}$    C)  $\frac{8}{100}$

$$\begin{array}{r} 8.0000 \\ 90 \overline{) 8.0\dot{0}0\dot{0}0} \\ \underline{8} \phantom{000} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \\ \underline{0} \phantom{00} \\ 0 \phantom{00} \end{array}$$

**e)** Which fraction does  $0.\dot{2}\dot{3}$  equal?

A)  $\frac{23}{10}$    B)  $\frac{23}{100}$    C)  $\frac{23}{99}$

**f)** Which fraction does  $0.\dot{7}\dot{2}$  equal?

A)  $\frac{72}{100}$    B)  $\frac{72}{99}$    C)  $\frac{72}{10}$

