Percent's Cheat Sheet

Percent is a ratio out of 100.

Example 1: 43 out of
$$100 = \frac{43}{100} = 0.43$$
 or 43%

Example 2: 7 out of
$$100 = \frac{7}{100} = 0.07$$
 or 7%

Writing a percent as a decimal:

1. Divide percent by 100

Example 1:
$$68\% = 68 \div 100 = 0.68$$

Example 2:
$$162\% = 162 \div 100 = 1.62$$

Writing a decimal as a percent:

1. Multiply decimal by 100

Example:
$$0.41 = 0.41 \times 100 = 41\%$$

Writing a percent as a fraction:

$$\% = \frac{\%}{100}$$
 divide both by 4

Example 1: $76\% = \frac{76\%}{100} = \frac{19}{25}$ lowest terms

Example 2:
$$15.5\% = \frac{15.5}{1000} = \frac{155}{1000} = \frac{31}{200}$$

Multiply by 10 to get rid of decimal

Example 3:
$$33\frac{1}{3}\% = \frac{33\frac{1}{3}}{100} = \frac{\frac{100}{3}}{100} = \frac{100}{3} \div 100 = \frac{100}{3} \div \frac{100}{1} = \frac{100}{3} \times \frac{1}{100} = \frac{100}{300} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Writing fractions as a percent:

- 1. Divide top number by bottom number.
- 2. Multiply by 100

Example:
$$\frac{5}{8} = 5 \div 8 = 0.625 \times 100 = 62.5\%$$

OR

1. Write as a proportion Example:
$$\frac{5}{8} = \frac{P}{100} \longrightarrow 8 \times P = 5 \times 100 \longrightarrow \frac{8P}{8} = \frac{500}{8} \longrightarrow P = 62.5$$

Percent Equation

$$\frac{Part}{Whole} = \frac{\%}{100}$$

- 1. Fill in what you know and identify unknown
- 2. Multiply
- 3. Divide

Example: Part = 15, whole =60

$$\frac{15}{60} = \frac{P}{100} \longrightarrow 15 \times 100 = 60 \times P \longrightarrow \frac{1500}{60} = \frac{60P}{60} \longrightarrow P = 25$$

Simple Interest

$$I = p \times r \times t$$

p = principle
r = rate (% as decimal)
t = time (years)

Example 1: Principle = \$4200

Rate = 4%

Time = 3 and a half years

$$I = 4200 \times 0.04 \times 3.5$$

I = \$588

Total amount due = Principle amount + interest = \$4200 + \$588= \$4788.⁰⁰

Example 2: Principal = \$3800

Rate = 6.5%

Time = 7 months

$$I = p \times r \times t$$
 divide
= 3800 × 6.5% × $\frac{7}{12}$
= 3800 × 0.065 × 0.5833333
= \$144.08

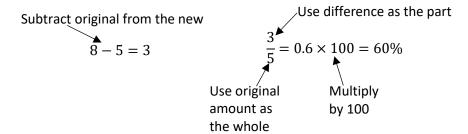
Finding Percent of Increase or Decrease

use percent equation

Increase:

- 1. Subtract (new-original)
- 2. Use difference as the part
- 3. Use the original amount as the whole
- 4. Multiply by 100

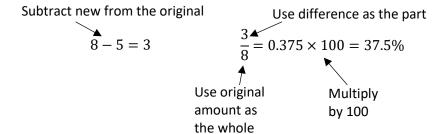
Example: You had 5 eggs but now have 8 eggs. What is your percent increase?



Decrease:

- 1. <u>Subtract (original new)</u>
- 2. Use difference as the part
- 3. Use the original amount as the whole
- 4. Multiply by 100

Example: You had 8 eggs but now have 5 eggs. What is your percent decrease?



Finding Sale Price

use percent equation

- 1. Sale price is part
- 2. Original price is whole
- 3. Multiply by 100
- 4. % of sale is percent

Example: An item is on sale for \$4.99, original price is \$5.50, find the sale percent

$$\frac{4.99}{5.50} = \frac{P}{100}$$
 → $\frac{4.99}{5.50} = 0.907 \times 100 = 90.7\%$ Sale price is 90.7% of the original price $100 - 90.7 = 9.3\%$ ←

If you subtract from 100, this gives you the actual discount as a percentage. In this case, the item is on sale for 9.3% off.

Finding Rate of Commission or Commission Amount

use percent equation

- 1. Part is amount of commission
- 2. Whole is total sale price
- 3. Percent is rate of commission

Example: A salesperson earns \$750 for selling \$5000 worth of furniture. What is the rate of commission?

$$\frac{750}{5000} = \frac{P}{100} \longrightarrow 750 \times 100 = 5000P \longrightarrow \frac{75,000}{5000} = \frac{5000P}{5000} \longrightarrow P = 15\%$$