6-4 Percent of a Number

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The human body is made up mostly of water. In fact, about 67% of a person's total (100%) body weight is water. If Cameron weighs 90 pounds, about how much of his weight is water?

Recall that a percent is a part of 100. Since you want to know the part of Cameron's body that is water, you can set up and solve a proportion to find the answer.

Part
$$\rightarrow \frac{67}{100} = \frac{n}{90} \leftarrow Part$$
Whole $\rightarrow \frac{000}{100} = \frac{1000}{100}$
 1000
 1000

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Find the percent of each number. 30% of 50

 $\frac{30}{100} = \frac{n}{50}$

Write a proportion.

 $30 \cdot 50 = 100 \cdot n$ Set the cross products equal.

1,500 = 100n

Multiply.

1,500 = 100n

Divide each side by 100 to isolate the variable.

100 100 15 = n

30% of 50 is 15.

Find the percent of each number. 30% of 50

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Helpful Hint

When solving a problem with a percent greater than 100%, the part will be greater than the whole.

Find the percent of each number.

200% of 24

 $\frac{200}{100} = \frac{n}{24}$

Write a proportion.

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$$\frac{4800}{100} = 1000$$

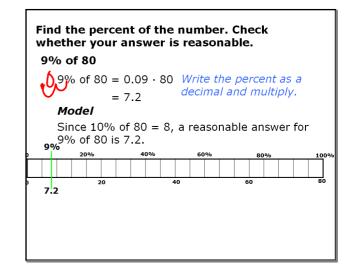
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Find the percent of each number. 40% of 40 Find the percent of each number. 150% of 64

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Find the percent of the number. Estimate to check whether your answer is reasonable.

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$$\frac{3}{0.03 \cdot 12} = 0.36 \quad \frac{3}{100} = \frac{1}{12}$$

Find the percent of the number. Check whether your answer is reasonable.

$$-21.40 = 8.4 \frac{21}{100} = \frac{1}{40}$$

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Find the percent of the number. Estimate to check whether your answer is reasonable.

6% of 18

$$0.06 \cdot 18 = 1.08$$

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 $\frac{40}{100} = \frac{1}{4.157}$

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2,463 million

The estimated world population in 2001 was 6,157 million. About 60% of the people were above 19 years of age. What was the approximate number of people 19 or older, to the nearest million?

Find 60% of 6,157 million.

.6.6,157 = 3,694 million

Lesson Quiz

Find the percent of each number.

- **1.** 25% of 8
- **2.** 40% of 110

Find the percent of each number. Check whether your answer is reasonable.

- **3.** 150% of 96
- **4.** 0.3% of 120
- 5. Whitmer Middle School has 850 students. If 42% of the students bought lunch on Monday, how many student bought lunch on Monday?