

QUANTITATIVE APTITUDE

PERCENTAGE

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Important Formulas - Percentage

- Percentage

Percent means for every Cent (100)

So, when **percent** is calculated for any value, it means that we calculate **the value for every 100** of the actual value.

percent is denoted by the symbol %.

- **For example, x percent is denoted by x%**

Important Formulas - Percentage

- $x\% = x / 100$

Example : $25\% = 25/100 = 1/4$

- **To express x / y as a percent, we have $x / y = (x / y \times 100) \%$**

Example : $1 / 4 = (1 / 4 \times 100)\% = 25\%$

RATIO TABLE

%	FRACT ION
5	1/20
8	2/25
10	1/10
12	3/25
15	3/20
16	4/25
20	1/5
25	1/4

%	FRACT ION
60	3/5
75	3/4
3(1/8)	1/32
6(1/4)	1/16
8(1/3)	1/12
12(1/2)	1/8
13(1/3)	2/15

%	FRACT ION
14(2/7)	1/7
16(2/3)	1/6
33(1/3)	1/3
37(1/2)	3/8
62(1/2)	5/8
66(2/3)	2/3
87(1/2)	7/8

Important Formulas - Percentage

- If the **price** of a commodity **increases** by **R%**, the **reduction in consumption** so as **not to increase the expenditure**

$$= \underline{[R / (100+R)] \times 100\%}$$

- If the **price** of a commodity **decreases** by **R%**, the **increase in consumption** so as **not to decrease the expenditure**

$$= \underline{[R / (100-R)] \times 100\%}$$

EXAMPLES

- **EXAMPLE 1: THE PRICE OF RICE FALLS BY 20%.**
HOW MUCH RICE CAN BE BROUGHT NOW WITH THE MONEY THAT WAS SUFFICIENT TO BUY 20 KG OF RICE PREVIOUSLY?

- **SOLUTION: ACCORDING TO FORMULA**

$$\begin{aligned}\text{increase in consumption} &= \underline{[R / (100 - R)] \times 100\%} \\ &= [(20 / (100 - 20)) \times 100\% \\ &= (20 / 80) \times 100 \% \\ &= 25\%\end{aligned}$$

EARLIER 20 KG RICE WAS BROUGHT , NOW 25%

$$\underline{\text{MORE} = 20 * (125/100)}$$

$$= \underline{25 \text{ KG CAN BE BROUGHT}}$$

EXAMPLES

● **EXAMPLE 2:** THE PRICE OF SUGAR IS REDUCED BY 25%. BUT INSPITE OF THE DECREASE, AKSHAY ENDS UP INCREASE HIS EXPENDITURE ON SUGAR BY 20%. WHAT IS THE % CHANGE IN HIS MONTHLY CONSUMPTION OF SUGAR?

● **SOLUTION:**

LET AKSHAY USE TO CONSUME 100 KG FOR RS 100.

DUE TO 25% REDUCTION IN PRICE, 100 KG IS FOR RS 75.

DUE TO 20% INCREASE IN EXPENDITURE, PURCHASED FOR RS. 120

FOR RS. 120 HE COULD BUY = $(100/75) * 120 = 160\text{KG}$.

INCREASE IN CONSUMPTION = $160 - 100 = 60\text{KG}$.

% INCREASE IN CONSUMPTION = $(60/100) * 100 = \underline{60\%}$.

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EXAMPLES

- EXAMPLE 3: THE POPULATION OF A VILLAGE IS 100000. THE RATE OF INCREASE IS 10% P.A. FIND THE POPULATION AT THE START OF 3RD YEAR?

- SOLUTION: Population after n years

$$= \underline{P * [1 + (R / 100)]^n}$$

$$= 100000 * [(1 + (10 / 100))]^2$$

$$= 100000 * (11 / 10)^2$$

$$= \underline{121000}$$

Important Formulas - Percentage

- If the present value of a machine = P and it depreciates at the rate of $R\%$ per annum, Then Value of the machine after n years
 $= P * [1 - (R / 100)]^n$
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THEOREMS

- THEOREM # 1:

IF 2 VALUES ARE RESPECTIVELY X% AND Y% MORE THAN A THIRD NUMBER, THEN THE 1ST IS $[(100 + X) / (100 + Y)] * 100\%$ OF THE 2ND.

- EXAMPLE 4:

2 NUMBERS ARE RESPECTIVELY 20% AND 50% MORE THAN THE THIRD NUMBER. WHAT % IS THE 1ST OF THE 2ND?

- SOLUTION: ACCORDING TO FORMULA

THE 1ST IS $[(100 + 20) / (100 + 50)] * 100\%$ OF THE 2ND

THE 1ST IS $(120/150) * 100\%$ OF THE 2ND

THE 1ST IS $4/5 * 100\%$ OF THE 2ND

THE 1ST IS 80% OF THE 2ND.

THEOREMS

- EXAMPLE 5:

2 NUMBERS ARE RESPECTIVELY 30% AND 40% LESS THAN THE THIRD NUMBER. WHAT % IS THE 2ND OF THE 1ST ?

- SOLUTION: ACCORDING TO FORMULA

THE 1ST IS $[(100 - 40) / (100 - 30)] * 100\%$ OF THE 2ND

THE 1ST IS $(60/70) * 100\%$ OF THE 2ND

THE 1ST IS $(600/7) * 100\%$ OF THE 2ND

THE 1ST IS $85\frac{5}{7}\% = 85.71\%$ OF THE 2ND.

THEOREMS

- THEOREM # 2:

IF A IS X% OF C AND B IS Y% OF C,
THEN A IS $(X/Y) * 100\%$ OF B.

- EXAMPLE 6:

2 NUMBERS ARE 20% AND 25% OF THE THIRD
NUMBER. WHAT % IS THE 1ST OF THE 2ND?

- SOLUTION: ACCORDING TO FORMULA

= A IS $(20/25) * 100\%$ OF B

= A IS 80% OF B

THEOREMS

- **THEOREM # 3:** X% QUANTITY IS TAKEN BY 1ST, Y% IS TAKEN BY 2ND, REMAINING IS TAKEN BY 3RD, NOW A AMOUNT IS LEFT, THEN IN THE BEGINNING THERE WAS

$$= [A * 100 * 100 * 100 / (100 - X) * (100 - Y) * (100 - Z)]$$

- **EXAMPLE 7:** RAJ SPENDS 20% OF HIS MONTHLY ON HIS HOUSEHOLD EXPENDITURE, 15% OF THE REST ON BOOKS. 30% OF THE REST ON CLOTHES AND SAVES THE REST. ON COUNTING HE COMES TO KNOW THAT HE HAS FINALLY SAVED RS. 9520. FIND HIS MONTHLY INCOME.
- **SOLUTION:** ACCORDING TO FORMULA
- **MONTHLY INCOME = $9520 * 100 * 100 * 100 / (80 * 85 * 70)$**
= 20000.

THEOREMS

- **THEOREM # 4:** IF 1ST VALUE IS R% MORE THAN THE 2ND VALUE, THEN THE 2ND IS $[R / (100 + R)] * 100$ % LESS THAN THE 1ST VALUE.
- **THEOREM # 5 :** SIMILARLY, IF 1ST VALUE IS R% LESS THAN THE 2ND VALUE, THEN THE 2ND IS $[R / (100 - R)] * 100$ % MORE THAN THE 1ST VALUE.
- **EXAMPLE 8:** IF A'S SALARY IS 25% MORE THAN THAT OF B, THEN HOW MUCH % IS B'S SALARY LESS THAN THAT OF A?
- **SOLUTION:** B'S SALARY LESS BY
$$[25 / (100+25)] * 100\%$$
$$= \underline{20\%}$$

THEOREMS

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EXAMPLE 9: A SHOPKEEPER MARKS THE PRICE OF HIS GOODS AT 20% HIGHER THAN THE ORIGINAL PRICE. AFTER THAT, HE ALLOWS A DISCOUNT OF 10%. WHAT % PROFIT OR LOSS DID HE GET?

SOLUTION: NET CHANGE

$$= [20 - 10 - (20*10 / 100)] = \underline{+ 8\% \text{ +VE IS PROFIT}}$$

EXAMPLE 10:

**THE HEIGHT OF A TRIANGLE IS INCREASED BY 40%.
WHAT CAN BE THE MAXIMUM % INCREASE IN LENGTH OF
THE BASE SO THAT THE INCREASE IN AREA IS RESTRICTED
TO A MAXIMUM OF 60%?**

SOLUTION:

**LET THE MAXIMUM % INCREASE IN LENGTH OF THE
BASE BE Y.**

ACCORDING TO FORMULA

$$\begin{aligned}60 &= [40 + Y + (40 * Y) / 100] \\60 &= (4000 + 100Y + 40Y) / 100 \\6000 &= 4000 + 140Y \\2000 &= 140Y \\Y &= 2000 / 140 \\Y &= 100 / 7 \\Y &= 14 \text{ \& } (2/7) = 14.28\end{aligned}$$

EXAMPLE 11:

Two students appeared at an examination. One of them secured 9 marks more than the other and his marks was 56% of the sum of their marks. What are the marks obtained by them?

Explanation :

Let the marks secured by them be x and $(x + 9)$

Then sum of their marks = $x + (x + 9) = 2x + 9$

Given that $(x + 9)$ was 56% of the sum of their marks

$$\Rightarrow (x+9) = (56/100)(2x+9)$$

$$\Rightarrow (x+9) = (14/25)(2x+9)$$

$$\Rightarrow 25x + 225 = 28x + 126$$

$$\Rightarrow 3x = 99$$

$$\Rightarrow x = 33$$

Then $(x + 9) = 33 + 9 = 42$

Hence their marks are 33 and 42

EXAMPLE 12:

If **20% of a = b**, then **b% of 20** is the same as:

Explanation :

$$\mathbf{20\% \text{ of } a = b}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{b = (20/100)a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{b\% \text{ of } 20 = (b/100)*20}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{= [\{ (20/100)*a \} / 100] * 20}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{= (20 \times 20 \times a) / 100 \times 100}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbf{= \underline{4*a/100} = 4\% \text{ of } a}$$

EXAMPLE 13: In a competitive examination in State A, 6% candidates got selected from the total appeared candidates. State B had an equal number of candidates appeared and 7% candidates got selected with 80 more candidates got selected than A. What was the number of candidates appeared from each State?

Explanation :

State A and State B had an equal number of candidates appeared.

In state A, 6% candidates got selected from the total appeared candidates

In state B, 7% candidates got selected from the total appeared candidates

But in State B, 80 more candidates got selected than State A

From these, it is clear that 1% of the total appeared candidates in State B = 80

=> total appeared candidates in State B = 80 x 100 = 8000

=> total appeared candidates in State A = total appeared candidates in State B = 8000

EXAMPLE 14: A student multiplied a number by $\frac{3}{5}$ instead of $\frac{5}{3}$. What is the percentage error in the calculation?

Explanation :

Let the number = 1

Then, ideally he should have multiplied 1 by $\frac{5}{3}$.

Hence the correct result was $1 \times \left(\frac{5}{3}\right) = \left(\frac{5}{3}\right)$

By mistake, he multiplied 1 by $\frac{3}{5}$.

Hence the result with the error = $1 \times \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = \left(\frac{3}{5}\right)$

Error = $\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) - \left(\frac{3}{5}\right) = \frac{25-9}{15} = \frac{16}{15}$

percentage error = $\left(\frac{\text{Error}}{\text{True Value}}\right) \times 100$

= $\left[\left(\frac{16}{15}\right)\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)\right] \times 100$

= $\frac{16 \times 3 \times 100}{15 \times 5}$

= $\frac{16 \times 100}{5 \times 5}$

= $16 \times 4 = \underline{64\%}$

EXAMPLE 15:

Aman got **30%** of the maximum marks in an examination and failed by **10** marks. However, Suman who took the same examination got **40%** of the total marks and got **15** marks more than the passing marks. **What were the passing marks in the examination?**

Explanation : Let x is the maximum marks of the examination

Marks that Aman got = 30 % of $x = (30*x)/100$

Given that Aman failed by 10 marks

\Rightarrow **Minimum Pass Mark** = $[(30*x)/100]+10$(Equation 1)

Marks that Suman got = 40 % of $x = (40*x)/100$

Given that Suman got 15 marks more than the passing marks

$\Rightarrow (40*x)/100 =$ **Minimum Pass Mark** +15

\Rightarrow **Minimum Pass Mark** = $[(40*x)/100] -15$(Equation 2)

From equations 1 and 2, we have

$[(30*x)/100]+10 = [(40*x)/100]-15$

$\Rightarrow (10*x)/100 = 10+15 = 25$

$\Rightarrow x/10=25$

$\Rightarrow x = 10 \times 25 = 250$

\Rightarrow **Maximum marks of the examination = $x = 250$**

Substituting the value of x in Equation 1,

we have **Minimum Pass Mark** = $[(30*x)/100]+10$

= $[(30 \times 250) / 100] + 10 =$ **75+10 = 85.**

THANK YOU.