

Pre-algebra

Practice Exam #03

1. Use your calculator to find the value of the expression. Round your answers to the nearest hundredth.

a) $(3.01 - 4.13)^2$

b) $-0.32 - (3.39 - 5.21)$

2. What number must be added to 0.102 to obtain 3.658? First write out the equation. Let x represent the unknown number. Then solve for x to get your solution.

3. Round your answer to the nearest thousandths. Use your calculator.

a) $2.3(4.1 - 3.5)^3$

b) $\frac{2(1.5)^2}{11}$

c) $\frac{3.4(6.1 - 8.3)}{2.3 + 0.02}$

4. Change each fraction to a decimal. Use your calculator. Round to the nearest thousandths.

a) $\frac{27}{59}$

b) $\frac{106}{3460}$

5. Change each decimal to a fraction. Reduce to lowest terms.

a) 0.875

b) 0.008

6. Write the following ratios as a reduced fraction. **Do not use your calculator!**

a) 10 to 6

b) $\frac{2}{7}$ to 0.5

7. COSTCO sells 24 rolls of paper towels for \$18.72. Another warehouse store sells the same brand of paper towels and charges \$25.28 for 32 rolls. Which store has the better price?

8. Solve for x. **Do not use your calculator! Write your solution as a reduced fraction!**

a) $\frac{x}{3} = \frac{7}{5}$

b) $\frac{\frac{3}{2}}{x} = \frac{\frac{6}{5}}{7}$

9. Answer the following. For part c), be sure to reduce your fraction.

a) Write 0.203 as a percent. b) Write 6.7 % as a decimal. c) Write 6.4% as a fraction.

10. Write each fraction as a percent. **Use your calculator. Round your percent to the nearest hundredth!**

a) $\frac{19}{215}$

b) $\frac{238}{385}$

11. Solve the following:

- a) A sales clerk has a certain commission rate. A recent paycheck showed the amount of commission earned was \$3580.92. The total sales for the clerk during this pay period was \$29,841.00. What is the commission rate? **First, set up the equation using x to represent the unknown quantity. Then solve for x .**

$$\text{Recall: } \textit{The} \left(\frac{\%}{\%} \right) \textit{ of} \left(\frac{a}{total} \right) \textit{ is} \left(\frac{a}{portion} \right) .$$

- b) The purchase price for a microwave oven is \$235.99. A retail store offers a 35% discount. What is the discount amount? What is the new purchase price? **First, set up the equation using x to represent the unknown quantity. Then solve for x .**

12. Solve the following. **First, set up the equation using x to represent the unknown quantity. Then solve for x .** Round your final solution to the nearest tenth.

a) What percent of 60 is 36?

b) 16% of what number is 41?

13. Answer the following questions. **First, set up the equation using x to represent the unknown quantity. Then solve for x .** Round your solution to the nearest whole number.

$$\text{Recall: The } \left(\frac{\%}{\%} \right) \text{ of } \left(\frac{a}{total} \right) \text{ is } \left(\frac{a}{portion} \right).$$

a) The total student population at a local community college is 56% female. If there are 17,358 enrolled at the college, how many female students attend this college. **Round your solution to the nearest whole number.**

b) A farmer owns 56 acres of land. Of the 56 acres, only 65% can be farmed. How many acres are available for farming? **Round your solution to the nearest whole number.**

c) An investor places \$15,000.00 into a savings account. The interest rate is 5.75% compounded annually. How much money is in the savings account after two years? **Note: $I = PRT$**

d) An investor places \$8,000.00 into a savings account. The interest rate is 5.75% compounded quarterly. How much money is in the savings account after four years? **Note: $A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$**

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1. Use your calculator to find the value of the expression. Round your answers to the nearest hundredth.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{a) } (3.01 - 4.13)^2 \\ & (-1.12)^2 \\ & 1.2544 \\ & \boxed{1.25} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{b) } -0.32 - (3.39 - 5.21) \\ & -0.32 - (-1.82) \\ & -0.32 + 1.82 \\ & \boxed{1.50} \end{aligned}$$

2. What number must be added to 0.102 to obtain 3.658? First write out the equation. Let x represent the unknown number. Then solve for x to get your solution.

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.102 + x = 3.658 \\ -0.102 \quad -0.102 \\ \hline \boxed{x = 3.556} \end{array}$$

3. Round your answer to the nearest thousandths. Use your calculator.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{a) } 2.3(4.1 - 3.5)^3 \\ & 2.3(0.6)^3 \\ & 2.3(0.216) \\ & 0.4968 \\ & \boxed{0.497} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{b) } \frac{2(1.5)^2}{11} \\ & \frac{2(2.25)}{11} \\ & 0.4090 \\ & \boxed{0.409} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{c) } \frac{3.4(6.1 - 8.3)}{2.3 + 0.02} \\ & \frac{3.4(-2.2)}{2.32} \\ & \frac{-7.48}{2.32} \\ & \boxed{-3.224} \end{aligned}$$

4. Change each fraction to a decimal. Use your calculator. Round to the nearest thousandths.

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{a) } \frac{27}{59} \\ & 0.4576 \\ & \boxed{0.458} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{b) } \frac{106}{3460} \\ & 0.0306 \\ & \boxed{0.031} \end{aligned}$$

5. Change each decimal to a fraction. Reduce to lowest terms.

a) 0.875

$$\frac{875}{1000}$$

$$\frac{35}{40}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{7}{8}}$$

b) 0.008

$$\frac{8}{1000}$$

$$\frac{4}{500}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{125}}$$

6. Write the following ratios as a reduced fraction. **Do not use your calculator!**

a) 10 to 6

$$\frac{10}{6}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{5}{3}}$$

b) $\frac{2}{7}$ to 0.5

$$\frac{\frac{2}{7}}{0.5}$$

$$\frac{\frac{2}{7}}{\frac{5}{10}}$$

$$\frac{2}{7} \div \frac{5}{10}$$

$$\frac{2}{7} \div \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\frac{2}{7} \cdot \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\boxed{\frac{4}{7}}$$

7. COSTCO sells 24 rolls of paper towels for \$18.72. Another warehouse store sells the same brand of paper towels and charges \$25.28 for 32 rolls. Which store has the better price?

COSTCO

$$\frac{18.72 \text{ dollars}}{24 \text{ rolls}}$$

$$0.78 \frac{\text{dollars}}{\text{roll}}$$

WAREHOUSE

$$\frac{25.28 \text{ dollars}}{32 \text{ rolls}}$$

$$0.79 \frac{\text{dollars}}{\text{roll}}$$

COSTCO is the better buy!!

8. Solve for x. **Do not use your calculator! Write your solution as a reduced fraction!**

a) $\frac{x}{3} = \frac{7}{5}$

$$\frac{5x}{5} = \frac{21}{5}$$

$$x = \frac{21}{5}$$

b) $\frac{\frac{3}{2}}{x} = \frac{\frac{6}{5}}{7}$

$$7\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{6}{5}(x)$$

$$\frac{7}{1}\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) = \frac{6}{5}\left(\frac{x}{1}\right)$$

$$\frac{21}{2} = \frac{6x}{5}$$

$$\frac{105}{12} = \frac{12x}{12}$$

$$\frac{105}{12} = x$$

$$\frac{35}{4} = x$$

9. Answer the following. For part c), be sure to reduce your fraction.

a) Write 0.203 as a percent.

b) Write 6.7% as a decimal.

c) Write 6.4% as a fraction.

$$20.3\%$$

$$0.067$$

$$\frac{6.4}{100} \left(\frac{10}{10}\right)$$

$$\frac{64}{1000}$$

$$\frac{8}{125}$$

10. Write each fraction as a percent. Use your calculator. Round your percent to the nearest hundredth!

a) $\frac{19}{215}$

$$0.0884$$

$$8.84\%$$

b) $\frac{238}{385}$

$$0.6182$$

$$61.82\%$$

11. Solve the following:

- a) A sales clerk has a certain commission rate. A recent paycheck showed the amount of commission earned was \$3580.92. The total sales for the clerk during this pay period was \$29,841.00. What is the commission rate? **First, set up the equation using x to represent the unknown quantity. Then solve for x .**

Recall: The $\left(\frac{\%}{\%}\right)$ of $\left(\frac{a}{\text{total}}\right)$ is $\left(\frac{a}{\text{portion}}\right)$.

$$x \cdot 29,841.00 = 3,580.92$$

$$\frac{29,841x}{29,841} = \frac{3,580.92}{29,841}$$

$$x = 0.12$$

$$x = 12\%$$

- b) The purchase price for a microwave oven is \$235.99. A retail store offers a 35% discount. What is the discount amount? What is the new purchase price? **First, set up the equation using x to represent the unknown quantity. Then solve for x .**

$$\left(\frac{\text{Discount}}{\text{Amount}}\right) = \left(\frac{\%}{\text{Discount}}\right) \cdot \left(\frac{\text{Purchase}}{\text{Price}}\right)$$

$$= (0.35)(235.99)$$

$$= \$82.60 \leftarrow \text{Discount Amount!}$$

$$\left(\frac{\text{New Purchase}}{\text{Price}}\right) = \left(\frac{\text{Purchase}}{\text{Price}}\right) - \left(\frac{\text{Discount}}{\text{Amount}}\right)$$

$$= 235.99 - 82.60$$

$$= \$153.39 \leftarrow \text{New Purchase Price!}$$

12. Solve the following. **First, set up the equation using x to represent the unknown quantity. Then solve for x .** Round your final solution to the nearest tenth.

a) What percent of 60 is 36?

$$x \cdot 60 = 36$$

$$\frac{60x}{60} = \frac{36}{60}$$

$$x = 0.6$$

$$x = 60.0\%$$

b) 16% of what number is 41?

$$0.16 \cdot x = 41$$

$$\frac{0.16x}{0.16} = \frac{41}{0.16}$$

$$x = 256.25$$

$$x = 256.3$$

13. Answer the following questions. **First, set up the equation using x to represent the unknown quantity. Then solve for x .** Round your solution to the nearest whole number.

Recall: The $\left(\frac{0}{0}\right)$ of $\left(\frac{a}{total}\right)$ is $\left(\frac{a}{portion}\right)$.

a) The total student population at a local community college is 56% female. If there are 17,358 enrolled at the college, how many female students attend this college. **Round your solution to the nearest whole number.**

$$(0.56) \cdot (17,358) = x$$

$$9,720 = x$$

Female Students

- b) A farmer owns 56 acres of land. Of the 56 acres, only 65% can be farmed. How many acres are available for farming? **Round your solution to the nearest whole number.**

% , Total = Portion

$$(0.65) \cdot (56) = X$$

$$36.4 = X$$

36 Acres

- c) An investor places \$15,000.00 into a savings account. The interest rate is 5.75% compounded annually. How much money is in the savings account after two years? **Note: $I = PRT$**

1st Year:

$$I = PRT$$

$$I = (15,000)(0.0575)(1)$$

$$I = 862.50$$

Interest earned after 1st year

New Principal for 2nd year:

$$15,000.00 + 862.50 = \underline{\underline{15,862.50}}$$

2nd Year: $I = PRT$

$$I = (15,862.50)(0.0575)(1)$$

$$I = 912.09 \text{ Interest earned after 2nd year.}$$

After 2 years:

$$15,862.50 + 912.09 = \boxed{\$16,774.59}$$

- d) An investor places \$8,000.00 into a savings account. The interest rate is 5.75% compounded quarterly. How much money is in the savings account after four years? **Note: $A = P \left(1 + \frac{r}{n}\right)^{nt}$**

$$A = 8,000 \left(1 + \frac{0.0575}{4}\right)^{4 \cdot 4}$$

$$A = 8,000 (1.014375)^{16}$$

$$A = 8,000 (1.2565)$$

Note: This number is rounded to nearest ten-thousandths!

$$A = \boxed{\$10,052.00}$$