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#1 SIMPLIFICATION

Q1.

$$8^{12} \div 16^2 \text{ of } 32^3 \times \sqrt{256} = 2^?$$

Sol :

$$(2^3)^{12} \div (2^4)^2 \text{ of } (2^5)^3 \times 16 = 2$$

$$2^{36} \div 2^8 \text{ of } 2^{15} \times 2^4 = 2^?$$

$$2^{17} = 2^?$$

$$? = 17$$

Q2.

$$108 \div 36 \text{ of } \frac{1}{4} + \frac{2}{5} \times 3\frac{1}{4} = ?$$

Sol :

$$108 \div 9 + \frac{2}{5} \times 13\frac{1}{4} = ?$$

$$12 + \frac{13}{10}$$

$$? = 13\frac{3}{10}$$

Q3.

$$33\frac{1}{3}\% \text{ of } 633 + 129 = 66\frac{2}{3}\% \text{ of } = ?$$

Sol :

$$\frac{1}{3} \times 633 + 129 = \frac{2}{3} \times ?$$

$$(211 + 129) \times \frac{3}{2} = ?$$

$$? = 340 \times \frac{3}{2} = 170 \times 3 = 510$$

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#2 NUMBER SERIES

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Q1.

In each series only one number is wrong. Find out the Wrong number.

- 5531, 5506, 5425, 5304, 5135, 4910, 4621 (IBPS PO 2012)

Hint: $-7^2, -9^2, -11^2$

- 1, 3, 10, 36, 152, 760, 4632 (IBPS PO 2012)

Hint : $\times 1+2, \times 2+4, \times 3+6 \dots$

- 4, 3, 9, 34, 96, 219, 435 (IBPS PO 2012)

Hint : $+1^3 - 2, +2^3 - 2, +3^3 - 2, \dots$

- 5, 7, 16, 57, 244, 1245, 7506 (Allahabad Bank PO 2010)

Hint : $\times 1+1^2, \times 2+2^2$

- 2.5, 3.5, 6.5, 15.5, 41.25, 126.75 (Allahabad Bank PO 2010)

Hint : $\times 1/2+1/2, \times 1+1, \times 3/2+3/2 \dots$

#3 PERCENTAGE

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Q1.

If the income of Ram is 10% more than that of Shayam's income. How much % Shayam's income is less than that of Ram's income ?

Method I.

By using formula

$$\begin{aligned} \text{less\%} &= \frac{r}{100+r} \times 100 = \frac{10}{100+10} \times 100 \\ &= \frac{10}{110} \times 100 = 9 \frac{1}{11}\% \end{aligned}$$

Method II.

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Since 10% more $\left\langle \begin{array}{l} 100\% \\ 110\% \end{array} \right\rangle$ Two tools

Less% = $10 \times \frac{100}{110}$ (To decrease any number, we multiply with small number and divide with large number)

$$= 9\frac{1}{11}\%$$

Q2.

A man spends 40% on food, 20% on house rent, 12% on travel and 10% on education. After all these expenditure he saved Rs. 7200. Find the amount spent on travel ?

Method I.

Let total income x

total expenditure

$$= x \times (40\% + 20\% + 12\% + 10\%)$$

$$= x \times 82\%$$

$$\text{Total saving} = x - x \times 82\%$$

$$= x \times 18\%$$

$$\text{Then } x \times 18\% = 7200$$

$$x = 7200 / 18 \times 100 = 40,000$$

Expenditure on travel = 12%

$$x \times 12\% = 40,000 \times 12 / 100 = \text{Rs. } 4800$$

Method II.

Total income = 100% - represent total



$$100\% - 82\% = 18\% \text{ (saving)}$$

$$\text{Expenditure on Travel} = 7200 / 18 \times 12$$

$$= 4800$$

Q3.

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When numerator of a fraction is increased by 10% and denominator decreased by 20% the resultant fraction becomes $\frac{5}{8}$. Find the original fraction ?

Method I.

Let the original fraction be $\frac{x}{y}$ then -

$$\frac{x + \frac{x \times 10}{100}}{y - \frac{y \times 20}{100}} = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$\frac{\frac{x \times 110}{100}}{\frac{y \times 80}{100}} = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{5}{8} \times \frac{80}{110} = \frac{5}{11}$$

Method II.

Given Fraction = $\frac{5}{8}$

Original fraction = $\frac{5}{8} \times \frac{80}{110}$

= $\frac{5}{11}$ Ans.

Q4.

If the length of a rectangle is increased by 20% and breath is decreased by 10%. Find the net% change in the area of that rectangle.

Sol:

net% change = $x + y + \frac{x \times y}{100}$

$(+20) \times (-10) / 100$

= $+10 - 2$

= 8

Increase % = 8% Ans.

Q5.

A reduction of 10% in the price of tea would enable and purchase to obtain 3 Kg. more for 2700 Rs. Find the reduced rate (new rate) of tea ?

Sol :

10% 2700 = Rs. 270

Rs. 270 is the rate of 3 kg. of tea

1 kg of tea = Rs. 90/- kg,

#4 PROFIT AND LOSS

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Statement

A purchase an article at Rs 40 Rs. and sells it to B at rs. 50 and B sells its to C at Rs. 30



CP of A = Rs. 40

SP of A = Rs. 50

CP of B = Rs. 50

SP of B = Rs. 30

CP of C = Rs.30

For A, Profit = $50 - 40 = 10$

For B, Loss = $50 - 30 = 20$

For A, $P = SP - CP$

For B, $L = CP - SP$

For A, Percent Profit = $\frac{\text{Profit of A}}{\text{CP of A}} \times 100$

For B, Percent loss = $\frac{\text{Loss of B}}{\text{CP of B}} \times 100$

For A, $\frac{10}{40} \times 100 = 25\%$

For B, $\frac{20}{50} \times 100 = 40\%$

$P\% = \frac{P}{CP} \times 100$

$L\% = \frac{L}{CP} \times 100$

Q1.

A person purchased an article for Rs. 80 and sold it for Rs. 100. Find his % profit.
Sol:

CP of the article = Rs. 80

SP of the article = Rs. 100

Profit of the person = $100 - 80 = \text{Rs. } 20$

% Profit of the person = $\frac{\text{Profit}}{\text{CP}} \times 100$

$\%P = \frac{20}{80} \times 100$

$\%P = 25\%$

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Trick:

$$\%P = 20/80 \times 100 = 25\%$$

Q2.

A dishonest shopkeeper sells goods at his cost price but uses a weight of 900 gm for a kg. weight. Find his gain percent.

Sol:

The Cp of Shopkeeper = 900 gm

The Sp of Shopkeeper

= 1000 gm (1kg = 1000 gm)

The profit of shopkeeper

= 1000 - 900 = 100 gm

% profit shopkeeper

= Profit of shopkeeper / CP of shopkeeper \times 100

$$\%P = 100/900 \times 100 = 11\frac{1}{9}\%$$

Q3.

A person got 5% loss by selling an article for Rs. 1045. At what price should the article be sold to earn 5% profit ?

Sol:

Trick :

$$\text{New SP} = 1045/95 \times 105 = 1155$$

Q4.

A person sold an article at profit of 12%. If he had sold it Rs. 3.60 more, he would have gain 18%. What is the cost price ?

Sol:

Trick :

$$\text{CP} = 3.60/6 \times 100 = \text{Rs. } 60$$

Q5.

If the CP of 12 articles is equal to the SP of 9 articles. Find the gain or loss.

Sol : Let the CP of each article be Rs. 1

Then CP of 9 articles = Rs. 9

SP of 9 articles = Rs. 12

$$\text{Gain \%} = 3/9 \times 100 = 33\frac{1}{3}\%$$

5 SIMPLE AND COMPOUND INTEREST

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Q1.

At what rate of interest per annum will a sum double itself in 8 years ?

Sol:

Trick :

$$R = \left(\frac{N-1}{T} \right) \times 100$$
$$= \frac{2-1}{8} \times 100$$
$$= 12.5\%$$

Q2.

A sum of money double itself at compound interest in 15 years. In how many years will it become eight times.

Trick :

$$n_2 = (n_1)^{\frac{t_2}{t_1}}$$

n = no. of times

t = number of years

$$8 = (2)^{\frac{t_2}{15}}$$

$$2^3 = (2)^{\frac{t_2}{15}}$$

$$\frac{t_2}{15} = \frac{3}{1}$$

$t_2 = 45$ years

#6 RATIO AND PROPORTION

Q1.

The ratio between the length and the breadth of a rectangular field is 5:4 respectively. If the perimeter of that field is 360 meters. what is the breadth of that field in meters ?

Sol :

$$\text{Perimeter} = 2(5+4) = 18$$

$$\text{Mean value of } 18 = 360$$

$$\text{Breadth} = \frac{360}{18} \times 4 = 80 \text{ meters}$$

Q2.

A bag contains 50 P, 25 P and 10 P coins in the ratio 5:9:4 amounting to Rs. 206. Find the number of coins of each type.

Sol:

Let the number of 50P, 25P and 10P coins be $5x, 9x$ and $4x$ respectively

$$\frac{5x}{2} + \frac{9x}{4} + \frac{4x}{10} = 206$$

$$50x + 45x + 8x = 4120$$

$$103x = 4120$$

$$x = 40$$

$$\text{No. of } 50 \text{ P coins} = 5 \times 40 = 200$$

$$\text{No. of } 25 \text{ P coins} = 4 \times 40 = 160$$

$$\text{No. of } 10 \text{ P coins} = 9 \times 40 = 360$$

Q3.

A mixture contains alcohol and water in the ratio of 4:3. If 5 liters of water is added to the mixture the ratio becomes 4:5. Find the quantities of alcohol in the given mixture.

Sol:

Let the quantity of alcohol and water be $4x$ liters and $3x$ liters respectively.

$$\frac{4x}{3x+5} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$8x = 20$$

$$x = 2.5$$

Q4.

A:B = 5:9 and B:C = 4:7 Find A:B:C.

Sol:

$$A : B = 5 : 9$$

$$B : C = 4 : 7$$

$$A : B : C = 20 : 36 : 63$$

#7 TIME AND WORK

Q1.

A and B together can complete a piece of work in 4 days. If A alone can complete the same work in 12 days, in how many days can B alone complete that work?
(S.S.C.2003)

Sol:

One day's work

A	→	24		
B	→	9	(12)	8
C	→	12		6

Total work
(L.C.M.)

17

$\frac{A+B+C}{3 \text{ days}}$	$\frac{A}{4^{\text{th}} \text{ day}}$
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$W = [3 \times 17 = 51]$

$[72 - 51 = 21]$

$[21/3 = 7]$

Q2.

X and Y can do a piece of work in 20 days and 12 days respectively. X started the work alone and then after 4 days Y joined him till the completion of the work. How long did the work last?

(Bank PO,2004)

Sol:

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$$\begin{array}{r} X \quad 20 \quad 3 \\ Y \quad 12 \quad 5 \end{array}$$

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$$4 \times 3 = 12$$

$$60 - 12 = 48$$

$$\frac{48}{6} = 6$$

$$6 + 4 = \underline{\underline{10 \text{ Ans}}}$$

Q3.

A is thrice as good a workman as B and together is able to finish a job in 60 days less than B. Working together, they can do it in ?

Sol :

$$\begin{array}{r} A \quad 2 \\ B \quad 12 \end{array} \quad \frac{1}{3}$$
$$12/3 = 4$$

#8 TIME, SPEED AND DISTANCE

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CONCEPTS

1) There is a relationship between speed, distance and time:

Speed = Distance / Time OR

Distance = Speed * Time

2) Average Speed = $\frac{2xy}{x+y}$

where x km/hr is a speed for certain distance and y km/hr is a speed at for same distance covered.

**** Remember that average speed is not just an average of two speeds i.e. $\frac{x+y}{2}$. It is equal to $\frac{2xy}{x+y}$

3) Always remember that during solving questions units must be same. Units can be km/hr, m/sec etc.

**** Conversion of km/ hr to m/ sec and m/ sec to km/ hr

x km/ hr = $(x * \frac{5}{18})$ m/sec i.e. u just need to multiply 5/18

Similarly, x m/sec = $(x * \frac{18}{5})$ km/sec

4) As we know, Speed = Distance/ Time. Now, if in questions Distance is constant then speed will be inversely proportional to time i.e. if speed increases ,time taken will decrease and vice versa.

TIME AND DISTANCE PROBLEMS

Problem 1: A man covers a distance of 600m in 2min 30sec. What will be the speed in km/hr?

Solution: Speed = Distance / Time

⇒ Distance covered = 600m, Time taken = 2min 30sec = 150sec

Therefore, Speed = $600 / 150 = 4$ m/sec

⇒ $4\text{m/sec} = (4 * \frac{18}{5}) \text{ km/hr} = 14.4 \text{ km/ hr.}$

Problem 2: A boy travelling from his home to school at 25 km/hr and came back at 4 km/hr. If whole journey took 5 hours 48 min. Find the distance of home and school.

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Solution: In this question, distance for both speed is constant.

⇒ Average speed = $(2xy / x+y)$ km/hr, where x and y are speeds

⇒ Average speed = $(2 * 25 * 4) / 25+4 = 200/29$ km/hr

Time = 5hours 48min = $29/5$ hours

Now, Distance travelled = Average speed * Time

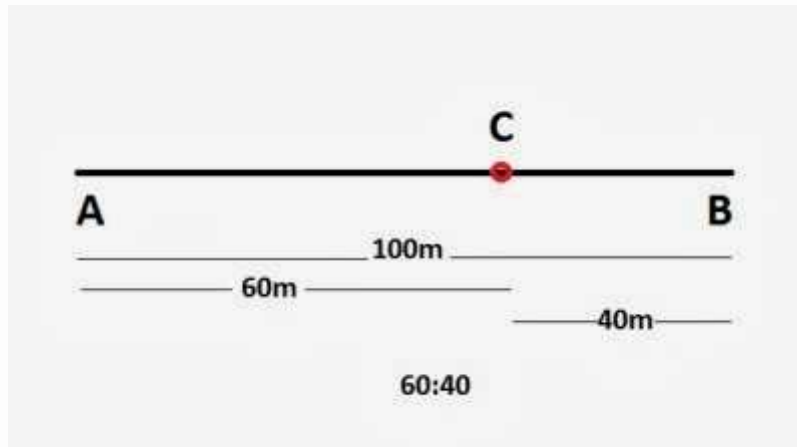
⇒ Distance Travelled = $(200/29) * (29/5) = 40$ km

Therefore distance of school from home = $40/2 = 20$ km.

Problem 3: Two men start from opposite ends A and B of a linear track respectively and meet at point 60m from A. If AB= 100m. What will be the ratio of speed of both men?

Solution: According to this question, time is constant. Therefore, speed is directly proportional to distance.

Speed ∝ Distance



⇒ Ratio of distance covered by both men = 60:40 = 3:2

⇒ Therefore, Ratio of speeds of both men = 3:2

Problem 4: A car travels along four sides of a square at speeds of 200, 400, 600 and 800 km/hr. Find average speed.

Solution: Let x km be the side of square and y km/hr be average speed

Using basic formula, Time = Total Distance / Average Speed

$x/200 + x/400 + x/600 + x/800 = 4x/y \Rightarrow 25x/2400 = 4x/y \Rightarrow y = 384$

⇒ Average speed = 384 km/hr