

## Fractions - exam questions - Level 1

1. There is a special offer on a camera which normally costs £60.  
How much money does a customer save by buying this camera at the special offer price?
- A. £15                                      B. £35  
C. £25                                      D. £45

Special Offer  
Selected Cameras  
25% off

2. 1 170 people visited a leisure centre.  
 $\frac{2}{3}$  went swimming.  
How many people went swimming?
- A. 117                                      B. 234  
C. 390                                      D. 780

3. This notice is in a job agency window.  
There are 50 applicants this week.  
How many will still be looking for work in 4 weeks' time?
- A. 10                                      B. 20  
C. 30                                      D. 40

**3 out of 5 of our  
applicants find a job  
within 4 weeks**

4. A man puts a deposit on a new house.  
The deposit is 20% of £55 000.  
How much is the deposit?
- A. £275    B. £1 100  
C. £2 750    D. £11 000
5. A hotel normally charges £80 per room per night.  
The hotel reduces the price by 20% during November.  
What is 20% of £80
- A. £8.00                                      B. £16.00  
C. £20.00                                      D. £20.80

6. Setting up a new website costs a total of £800.  
90% of this cost is paid to the company who designed the website.  
What is 90% of £800?

A. £80      B. £720  
C. £90      D. £710

7. In one year a customer gets 5% interest on his £700 savings.  
Which calculation can he use to find the interest?

A.  $\frac{5}{100} \times 700$                       C.  $\frac{700}{100} + 5$   
B.  $\frac{5}{100} + 700$                       D.  $\frac{5}{600} \times 100$

8. In October, a garden centre had a sale.  
A large conifer normally costs £26.00  
What is 15% of £26.00?

A. £1.30                      B. £1.50  
C. £2.60                      D. £3.90

**Autumn Sale**  
**15 % off all large**  
**conifers**

9. There are 4 000 people at a concert.  
70% of these bought their tickets in advance.  
How many people at the concert bought tickets in advance?

A. 400                      B. 700  
C. 2 800                      D. 3 600

10. The normal price of a carpet is £250.  
What is the price of the carpet in the sale?

A. £25                      B. £50  
C. £200                      D. 225

**SALE**  
**Carpets 20%**  
**off today**

**Now you write some questions.....**

## Level 1 Adult Numeracy curriculum links

*All the Level 1 fraction elements are listed below – although not all are covered in this resource.*

**N2/L1.1** Read, write, order and compare in words and figures common fractions and mixed numbers

- (a) know common equivalent fractions e.g. equivalent to a half, quarters, thirds, fifths, tenths
- (b) understand that in unit fractions, the larger the denominator, the smaller the fraction, but that this is not true of non-unit fractions
- (c) Understand how a mixed number may be expressed as an improper 'top heavy' fraction

**N2/L1.2** Find parts of whole number quantities or measurements (e.g.  $\frac{2}{3}$  or  $\frac{3}{4}$ )

- (a) understand the relationship between unit fractions and division when finding parts
- (b) understand that there are different strategies for finding fractional parts

**N2/L1.3** Recognise equivalencies between common fractions, decimals and percentages and use these to find part of whole number quantities (e.g.  $50\% = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $0.25 = \frac{1}{4}$ ) and use these to find part or whole number quantities

- (a) know common fraction equivalents, e.g. half, quarters, fifths, tenths

**N2/L1.11** Solve problems with and without a calculator using whole numbers, fractions, decimals and percentages

- (a) know how to change a fraction to a decimal on a calculator
- (b) understand the relationship between fractions and division
- (c) understand that percentages can be calculated in different ways, one of which is to use the function key (%) on a calculator
- (d) know how to interpret a rounding error such as 6.9999999 as 7
- (e) know and use strategies to check answers obtained on a calculator
- (f) understand that calculators vary and know how to use a preferred model effectively

**N2/L1.12** Express one number as a fraction of another

- (a) Understand that part of a group compared to the whole group can be written as a fraction (e.g. 4 out of 12 can be written  $\frac{4}{12}$ )

## Answers:

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|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. A £15        | 6. B £720                       |
| 2. D 780 people | 7. A $\frac{5}{100} \times 700$ |
| 3. B 20 people  | 8. D £3.90                      |
| 4. D £11 000    | 9. C 2800 people                |
| 5. B £16        | 10. C £200                      |