

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 |