

# R6. Percentage Change

OCR

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$$£3000 \times 1.04 \times 1.04 \times 1.04$$

$$= £3374.59$$

$$= £3375 \checkmark$$

(b) After 3 years, Ella sold the ring for £3375.

Calculate her overall percentage profit.

$$\frac{\text{diff}}{\text{original}} \times 100$$

$$\frac{375}{3000} \times 100$$

$$= 12.5\%$$

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$$\text{July} = \pounds 500$$

$$25\% \text{ of } \pounds 500 = \pounds 125$$

$$\text{August} = \pounds 625$$

$$\% \text{ decrease} = \frac{\text{diff}}{\text{original}} \times 100$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{August} \rightarrow \text{Sept} \\ 625 \quad 500 \end{array} = \frac{125}{625} \times 100$$

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$$20\%$$

..... % **[4]**

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**R6**

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$$\begin{aligned} \text{She make } & 60 \times £2.25 \\ & = £135 \end{aligned}$$

% profit

$$\frac{\text{diff}}{\text{original}} \times 100$$

$$\frac{10}{125} \times 100$$

$$8\% \checkmark$$

..... % [4]



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$$\underline{\text{Total}} \quad 63,700,000 = 63.7 \text{ million}$$

$$2037 \rightarrow 73.3 \text{ million} \quad \frac{\text{Diff}}{\text{original}} \times 100$$

$$\frac{9.6}{63.7} \times 100 =$$

(c) ..... 15 % [4] ✓

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Int for 6 years

$$= 629.20$$

$$- 520.00$$

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$$£109.20 \dots 1 \text{ yr } (\div 6)$$

$$\frac{\text{diff}}{\text{original}} = \frac{18.20}{520}$$

$$= 0.035$$

$$3.5$$

..... % [4]

18.20 interest in one year.

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Joachim says

The washing machine is now 10% more expensive than before the sale.

Explain Joachim's error and work out the correct percentage change in the price of the washing machine from before the sale to after the sale.

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Pretend ... £100

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Joachim's error is ..... he needed to find 30% of the sale price  
which would give a different answer.

Reduce £100 by 20% (£20)  
= £80

Increase £80 by 30%

10% = £8

30% = £24

80 + 24

= £104

$\frac{\% \text{ change}}{\text{original}}$

$$\frac{4}{100} = 0.04 = 4\%$$

4% ✓

Correct percentage change is ..... % [6]

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$$\text{Percentage Change} = \frac{\text{Diff}}{\text{original}} \times 100$$

Riddington

$$\frac{40}{80} \times 100 = 50\% \text{ increase}$$

Greenwick

$$\frac{80}{200} \times 100 = 40\% \text{ decrease}$$

Riddington has greater change. ✓

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“ $50 \div 20 = 2.5$  so the cost of using the air pump has increased by 250%”

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Explain your answer.

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No, Tom is not  
correct

$$\frac{\text{diff}}{\text{original}} \times 100$$

$$\frac{30}{20} \times 100 = 150\% \quad (1)$$

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The pack costs £5.64

Emily sells all 12 bottles for 50p each.

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Give your answer correct to 1 decimal place.

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% profit

Spends £5.64

She makes  $50p \times 12 = £6.00$

$$\frac{\text{diff}}{\text{original}} \times 100$$

$$\frac{36}{564} \times 100$$

..... 6.4 %

$$\frac{0.36}{5.64}$$

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(Total for Question 17 is 3 marks)

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$$5 \text{ kg} = 5000 \text{ g}$$

$$250 \text{ g} \uparrow \times 20$$

20 bags of sweets @ 65p

$$20 \times 65 \text{ p} = \text{£}13 \checkmark$$

$$\begin{aligned} \times 10 &= 650 \text{ p} \\ \times 2 &= 1300 \text{ p} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Profit} = \text{£}3$$

$$\frac{\text{diff}}{\text{original}} = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\dots\dots\dots 30 \checkmark \%$$

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40% of the bonus is shared equally between 3 managers.

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Handwritten solution:

40% of £2100  
10% = £210  
40% = £840

60%  
£2100 - 840  
840  
1260 → 7 salesmen

180 ... each salesman gets £180

7 | 1260

if shared equally ... 10% of £2100 = £210 ✓

25% ( $\frac{1}{4}$ ) of £180 ... £45

if he got 25% more ... £180 + £45 = £225

No he is not correct as £225 > £210

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$$\begin{aligned} \% \text{ increase} &= \frac{\text{Diff}}{\text{original}} = \frac{638}{245} \\ &= 2.604 \times 100 \\ &= \underline{260.4} \% \end{aligned}$$
$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Diff} \dots 883 \\ - 245 \\ \hline 638 \end{array}$$

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$$\begin{array}{l}
 \text{Cooker} = \text{£}120 \quad \checkmark \\
 \text{Reduced by 50\%} \\
 \text{50\% of } \text{£}120 = \text{£}60 \quad \rightarrow \text{New Cost} = \text{£}60 \\
 \text{Increase by 50\%} \\
 \text{50\% of } \text{£}60 = \text{£}30 \quad + \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \\ \\ \end{array} \right\} \text{£}90 \quad \checkmark
 \end{array}$$

(Total for Question is 2 marks)

No, I have used a counter example to show why

14  $g = \frac{Gm}{r^2}$

- R6 The value of  $r$  is decreased by 20%  
R9 The value of  $G$  and the value of  $m$  are not changed.

Calculate the percentage increase in the value of  $g$ .

.....%

(Total for Question 14 is 3 marks)



$$14 \quad g = \frac{Gm}{r^2}$$

$$20\% \text{ of } 10 = 2$$

$$10 - 2 = 8$$

Make up some numbers

R6 The value of  $r$  is decreased by 20%

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Calculate the percentage increase in the value of  $g$ .

$$G = 100$$

$$M = 50$$

$$r = 10$$

$$g = \frac{Gm}{r^2}$$

$$g = \frac{100 \times 50}{10^2}$$

$$g = 50$$

$$g = \frac{Gm}{r^2}$$

$$g = \frac{100 \times 50}{8^2}$$

$$g = 78.125$$

$$\% \text{ increase} = \frac{\text{diff}}{\text{org}} \times 100$$

$$\frac{28.125}{50} \times 100$$

$$56.25\%$$

(Total for Question 14 is 3 marks)

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Here is Sadia's idea.

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$$\text{Sadia} = \text{£}1.60 = 400\text{g}$$

$$\text{was } \text{£}2 \quad \text{now } \text{£}1.60 \quad \frac{\text{diff}}{\text{orig}} = \frac{40}{200} = \frac{20}{100}$$

Use an example



Jack

$$25\% \text{ of } 400\text{g} = 100\text{g}$$

$$\underline{\underline{500\text{g} = \text{£}2}}$$

Sadia wants to keep same value

$$\begin{aligned} \text{So Jack } 500\text{g} &= \text{£}2 \\ 100\text{g} &= \text{£}0.40 \\ 400\text{g} &= \text{£}1.60 \end{aligned}$$

20% ✓

(Total for Question 11 is 3 marks)

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**10** Robert makes 50 litres of green paint by mixing litres of yellow paint and litres of blue paint in the ratio 2 : 3

R6

**R15a** Yellow paint is sold in 5 litre tins.  
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**(Total for Question 10 is 5 marks)**

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50L green

Y : B  
2 : 3

20L : 30L

x4

x3

Sells

5 tins x £66.96  
= £334.80

Costs Yellow = £26 x 4 = £104

Blue = £48 x 3 = £144  
£248

$\therefore = \frac{\text{diff}}{\text{orig}} = \frac{86.80}{248}$

35

7/20 %  
✓

(Total for Question 10 is 5 marks)

AQA

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Does the population of 540 000 match his claim?

You **must** show your working.

[3 marks]

Answer \_\_\_\_\_



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← Liam's claim

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$$= \frac{60,000}{420,000} = \frac{1}{7} = 14.28\%$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{population in 2021} &= 480\,000 + 60\,000 \\ &= 540\,000 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \% \text{ change} \\ 2011 \rightarrow 2021 \\ = \frac{60,000}{480,000} = \frac{1}{8} = 12.5\% \end{array}$$

Does the population of 540 000 match his claim?

You **must** show your working.

No it does not match [3 marks]  
his claim ...  $14.28\% \neq 12.5\%$  ✓

Answer \_\_\_\_\_

**30** Work out the percentage increase from 80 to 280

**[3 marks]**

**R6**

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Answer \_\_\_\_\_ %

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[3 marks]

R6

$$\frac{\text{diff}}{\text{original}} \times 100$$

$$\frac{200}{80} \quad \frac{20}{8} \quad \frac{10}{4} \quad \frac{5}{2} = 2.5$$

$$2.5 \times 100$$

Answer 250 %

