# SAT Prep Problem Solving -1 

## CONCEPTS

## QUESTIONS

1. Suppose you bought something that was priced at $\$ 6.95$, and the total bill including tax was $\$ 7.61$. What is the sales tax rate (round-off to the nearest tenth) in the city?

## QUESTIONS

2. A computer software retailer used a markup rate of $40 \%$. The selling price of a computer game that cost the retailer $\$ 25$ is?

## QUESTIONS

3. A shoe store uses $40 \%$ markup on the cost price. What is the cost of a pair of shoes that sells for \$63?

## QUESTIONS

4. An item originally priced at $\$ 55$ is marked $25 \%$ off. What is the sale price?

## QUESTIONS

5. In a mixture of 28 litres, the ratio of milk and water is 5:2. If 2 litres of water is added to the mixture, what is the ratio of milk and water in the new mixture?
A. $2: 1$
B. 3:2
C. 2:3
D. $4: 3$

## QUESTIONS

6. A sum of Rs. 7000 is divided among $A, B, C$ in such a way that shares of $A$ and $B$ are in the ratio $2: 3$ and those of $B$ and $C$ are in the ratio $4: 5$. What amount does $C$ receive?
A. 2500
B. 2800
C. 3000
D. 3500

## QUESTIONS

7. Twenty litres of a mixture contains milk and water in the ratio 5:3. If 4 litres of the mixture is replaced by 4 litres of milk, the ratio of milk to water in the new mixture would be ?
A. 2:1
B. 7:3
C. 5:2
D. 7:2

## QUESTIONS

8. A merchant marks the price of an article $20 \%$ above its actual cost and then offers some discount to gain a profit of $10 \%$. By what percentage is the selling price of the article less than the marked price? (Round-off your answer to the nearest tenth)

## QUESTIONS

9. The present age of Alexa and Joe is in the ratio 3:4. Five years back, the ratio of their ages was $2: 3$. What is the present age of Alexa?
A. 10
B. 15
C. 20
D. 25

## QUESTIONS

10. Dr. Goldberg, a noted dietician, mixes different solutions as part of her research into sugar substitutes. By weight, she mixes $40 \%$ of a sample of A and $70 \%$ of a sample of substitute B to create substitute C. If Dr. initially had 60 grams of substitute A and 110 grams of substitute B, then what would be the weight, in grams, of substitute C ?
A. 24
B. 77
C. 101
D. 170

## QUESTIONS

11. In a school survey, $40 \%$ of all students chose history as their favourite subject; $25 \%$ chose English; and 14 students chose some other subject as their favourite. How many students were surveyed?

## QUESTIONS

12. Max has three hours to study for his tests the next day. He decides to spend $k$ percent of this time studying for math. Which of the following represents the number of minutes he will spend studying for math?
A. $\frac{k}{300}$
B. $\frac{3 k}{100}$
C. $\frac{100 k}{180}$
D. $\frac{180 k}{100}$

## QUESTIONS

13. The price of a television was first decreased by 10 percent and then increased by 20 percent. The final price was what percent of the initial price?
A. $88 \%$
B. $90 \%$
C. $98 \%$
D. $108 \%$

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14. In a class, the ratio of the number of science to business students is $4: 3$. If 14 science students shift to business, the ratio becomes $1: 1$. What is the total number of students in the class?

## QUESTIONS

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If the picture shown above is enlarged proportionally so that the height is now 6 inches, how large of a border would you need so that it would go all around the enlarged picture?
A. 18 inches
B. 19 inches
C. 20 inches
D. 21 inches

3 in.

## QUESTIONS

16. Rachelle invested $\$ 1,000$ in an IRA paying $6 \%$ per year. In how many years will Rachelle's investment be worth $\$ 1,191.02$ ?
A. 1
B. 2
C. 3
D. 4

## QUESTIONS

17. The length of a rectangle is decreased by $25 \%$ while its width is decreased by $20 \%$. The area of the new rectangle is what fraction of the area of the original rectangle?

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18. The quantity $m$ varies inversely to the square of the quantity $r$. If $m=9$ when $r=4$, what is the value of $m$ when $r=6$ ?
A. 4
B. 6
C. 36
D. 64

## QUESTIONS

19. A bakery is giving away 600 cookies. The giveaway starts on a busy weekend, and passers by take the free cookies at a constant rate. After 2 hours, the bakery has given away $50 \%$ of the cookies. Which of the following equations models the number of cookies, $C$, remaining $h$ hours after the giveaway starts?
A. $C=600-150 h$
B. $C=600-50 h$
C. $C=600(0.5)^{h / 2}$
D. $C=600(0.5)^{h}$

## QUESTIONS

20. $g(x)=570(0.64)^{x / 12}$

The function $g$ gives the value, in dollars, of a certain piece of equipment after $x$ months of use. If the value of the equipment decreases each year by $p \%$ of its value the preceding year, what is the value of $p$ ?
A. 12
B. 36
C. 64
D. 570

## $Q A$

## Thank you

