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QUESTION 1

A number is multiplied by 6 and then has 4 subtracted from it.	The answer is	14. Which	of the following ed	quations
matches these statements?				

- A. 14 = 4 6x
- B. 4x 6 = 14
- C. 6x 4 = 14
- D. 6(x-4) = 14
- E. -6x = -14

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: In this equation, the order of operations will dictate that the multiplication takes place before the subtraction.

QUESTION 2

If a recipe for cookies calls for ¾ of a cup of sugar, and you want to quadruple the recipe, how many cups of sugar will you need?

- A. 3 cups
- B. 4 cups
- C. 2 3/4 cups
- D. 3 1/2 cups
- E. 3 3/4 cups

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: The fraction ?is equivalent to the decimal 0.75. Multiply this decimal by 4.

QUESTION 3

 $8.26 \times 76.8 =$

A. 6343.68

B. 63.4368

C. 634.368

D. 634,368



E. 6.34368

Correct Answer: C

Explanation: Remember that since the terms of the problem have three units to the right of the decimal point, the answer will as well.

QUESTION 4

3/8 + 1/3 + 1/8 =

A. 5/6

B. 3/4

C. 1/2

D. 3/5

E. 2/5

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: Convert the fractions so that they have a common denominator of 24.

QUESTION 5

Solve for x: (7x/5) + 9 = 23

A. 10

B. 9

C. 11

D. 7

E. 8

Correct Answer: A

Explanation: In order to find x, you must subtract 9 from 23, then multiply the difference by 5, and finally divide the product by 7.

QUESTION 6

Albert is driving at 80 miles per hour. How far will he go in 45 minutes?

A. 60 miles

B. 45 miles



C. 80 miles
D. 180 miles
E. 90 miles
Correct Answer: A
Explanation: 45 minutes is three-quarters of an hour, which can be rewritten as the decimal 0.75. Multiply this decimal by his speed.
QUESTION 7
If $5x + 7 = 8x - 2$, then
A. x = 5
B. $x = 3$
C. $x = 4$
D. x = 2
E. x = 1
Correct Answer: B
Explanation: Solve the equation for x by subtracting 5x from both sides, adding 2 to both sides, and then dividing both sides by 3.
QUESTION 8
17/68 =
A. 30%
B. 1/3
C. 45%
D. 1/4
E. 2/5
Correct Answer: D
Explanation: The simplest form of this fraction can be found by dividing both sides by 17.

QUESTION 9

A T-shirt that was selling for \$24 has had its price reduced by 15%. How much does it cost now?



A. \$20.75
B. \$20.40
C. \$20
D. \$21
E. \$21.50
Correct Answer: B
Explanation: Multiply the original price by 0.15, and then subtract this amount from the original price.
QUESTION 10
What percent of 38 is 16?
A. 16%
B. 40%
C. 35%
D. 38%
E. 42%
Correct Answer: E
Explanation: Divide 16 by 38 and multiply by 100.
QUESTION 11
The five starters on a basketball team each scored at least 5 points and no more than 17 points in a basketball game. Which of the following values is a reasonable estimate of the average score of each player?
A. 6
B. 17
C. 20
D. 22
E. 12
Correct Answer: E
Explanation: It is reasonable to assume that the average score will be close to the middle of the range.



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E. 4 3/4

QUESTION 12
Don gets paid \$9 an hour, but if he works more than 30 hours in a week his rate of pay is increased by ½. How much would Don get paid for a 38-hour work week?
A. \$342
B. \$390
C. \$367
D. \$378
E. \$365
Correct Answer: D
Explanation: The problem can be solved with the following expression: 30 (9) + 8 (9 x 1.5)
QUESTION 13
Solve and simplify: 2/3 x 3/5 x 5/10 x 6/8 =
A. 0.2
B. 0.5
C. 0.15
D. 0.25
E. 0.333333333
Correct Answer: C
Explanation: Fractions are multiplied by multiplying numerators by numerators and denominators by denominators. Some of the fractions in this problem can be simplified.
QUESTION 14
If Edgar eats 8 $2/3$ doughnuts in a week and Ellen eats 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ doughnuts in a week, how many more doughnuts will Edgar have eaten?
A. 3 1/5
B. 4 1/6
C. 4 1/2
D 4



Correct Answer: B

Explanation: Convert the fractions to the lowest common denominator, sixths, before you subtract.

QUESTION 15

Randy got the following test scores in science class: 76, 98, 78, 80, and 54. What is the median test score?

A. 77

B. 98

C. 54

D. 84

E. 78

Correct Answer: E

Explanation: The median is the piece of data that is in the middle position when the entire set is placed in order from least to greatest.

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