

Numerical Skills/Prealgebra

1. systolic pressure: $Age + 100$
systolic pressure of 10 yr old: $10+100=110$
systolic pressure of 75 yr old: $75+100=175$
difference= $175-110=65$

2. Increase in temperature = $24 - (-8) = 32^\circ F$

3.

$$\begin{aligned} & \left(\frac{3}{4} - \frac{2}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3}\right) \\ &= \left(\frac{9}{12} - \frac{8}{12}\right) + \left(\frac{3}{6} + \frac{2}{6}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{12} + \frac{5}{6} = \frac{1}{12} + \frac{10}{12} = \frac{11}{12} \end{aligned}$$

4.

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{2}{3} \div \frac{3}{4}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{5}{6}\right) &= \frac{1}{2} + \left(\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{4}{3}\right) - \left(\frac{4}{5} \times \frac{5}{6}\right) \\ \frac{1}{2} + \frac{8}{9} - \frac{4}{6} &= \frac{9}{18} + \frac{16}{18} - \frac{12}{18} = \frac{9+16-12}{18} = \frac{13}{18} \end{aligned}$$

5. Convert mixed numbers to decimals, then add:

$$\begin{aligned} 7\frac{3}{4} &= 7.75 \\ 6\frac{1}{2} &= 6.5 \\ 7.75 + 17.85 + 6.5 &= 32.10 \end{aligned}$$

6.

$$\text{Cost per person for one 5 ticket block: } = \frac{\$80.00}{5} = \$16.00$$

$$\text{Amount saved by each person} = \$18.50 - 16 = \$2.50$$

7. Express the numbers in scientific notation

$$3,400,000 = 3.4 \times 10^6$$

$$20,000 = 2 \times 10^4$$

rewrite with the sixth exponent of 10, since the other number has 6th exponent of 10, it will be easy to add if both #'s have 10^6 as a factor.

$$= \frac{2}{10^2} \times 10^6 = \frac{2}{100} \times 10^6 = 0.02 \times 10^6$$

$$0.02 \times 10^6 + 3.4 \times 10^6 = 10^6(.02 + 3.4) = 3.42 \times 10^6$$

8. $4 < \sqrt{x} < 9$ implies $4 < \sqrt{x}$ and $\sqrt{x} < 9$
square each inequality to get $16 < x$ and $x < 81$
combine to get $16 < x < 81$

9. Cross multiply: $6x = 72$ $x = 12$

10. If w cents is the cost for y apples, then using proportion, we can write

$$\frac{x \text{ apples}}{b \text{ cents}} = \frac{y \text{ apples}}{w \text{ cents}}, \quad \frac{x}{b} = \frac{y}{w}$$

cross multiply to get $xw = by$

$$w = \frac{by}{x}$$

11. $.25x = 12$, $x = \#$ of students in class

$$x = \frac{12}{0.25} = \frac{12}{(1/4)} = 48$$

12. students who took ≥ 8 courses = 75% of graduating class

students who took 6 or 7 courses: 60% of 25% = $(.6)(.25) = .150 = 15\%$ of graduating class

Students who took < 6 courses = $100\% - 75\% - 15\% = 10\%$

13. Let $\sum X$ = sum of Adam's 7 test scores:

$$\frac{\sum X}{6} = 84$$

$$\sum X = 6 \times 84 = 504$$

$$\text{Adams correct average score} = \frac{\sum X}{7} = \frac{504}{7} = 72$$

14.

$$\text{Average score for all 50 students} = \frac{35 \times 80 + 15 \times 70}{35 + 15}$$

$$= \frac{2800 + 1050}{50} = \frac{3850}{50} = \frac{385}{5} = 77$$