## Split It Up <br> More Fractions, Decimals, and Percents



## TEACHER BOOK

## Mathematical Concepts Covered for Split It Up: More Fractions, Decimals, and Percents

Book Description: Building upon their command of common benchmark fractions, students add $1 / 3$ 's, $1 / 8$ 's, and $1 / 100$ 's, and their decimal and percent equivalents, to their repertoire of part-whole relationships.

| Lesson Number: | Lesson Name: | Mathematical Concepts/Topics Covered |
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| Opening the Unit | Split It Up | - Fractions, decimals, and percents in everday print materials <br> - Problem solving with fractions and decimals and percents assessed |
| Lesson 1 | One-Tenth | - One-tenth (and its multiples) related to benchmark fractions, particularly multiples of halves and thirds <br> - Visual and numeric representations for one-tenth <br> - Strategies for finding one-tenth of a quantity |
| Lesson 2 | More About One-Tenth | - Representations equivalent to tenths <br> - The role of place and the decimal point in a number's value |
| Lesson 3 | What Is Your Plan? | - Strategies to determine multiples of $10 \%$ of an amount <br> - The whole is equivalent to $100 \%$ <br> - Arrays of 50 and 100 as a visual for percents <br> - Multiples of $10 \%$ and their equivalent fractions |
| Lesson 4 | One Percent of What? | - Strategies for finding $1 \%$ and its multiples of three- and four-digit numbers <br> - Comparisons between $10 \%$ of an amount and $1 \%$ of another <br> - The effect of the size of the whole on the size of a percent |
| Lesson 5 | Taxes, Taxes, Taxes | - Multiples of $1 \%$ to find single-digit percentages <br> - Multiples of $10 \%$ and $1 \%$ combined to find two-digit percentages |
| Lesson 6 | Decimal Hundredths | - Visuals to show decimal place value in the tenths and the hundredths created <br> - Fractions for decimal equivalents in the hundredths <br> - Zeroes in numbers as optional or mandatory to expressing a number's value |


| Lesson 7 | Smaller and Smaller | - Relationships among thousandths, hundredths, tenths, and ones <br> - Expanded notation <br> - Rounding decimals in the thousandths to the nearest 1 , 0.1 , and 0.01 |
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| Lesson 8 | Adding and Subtracting Decimals | - Meanings for addition and subtraction operations with whole numbers and decimals <br> - Place value to judge the soundness of answers to addition and subtraction problems involving fractions, decimals, and percents |
| Lesson 9 | Multiplying Decimals | - Multiplication with whole numbers connected to fractions, especially to multiplication with decimal numbers <br> - Reliable methods for multiplication with decimal numbers <br> - Visual models and patterns for multiplication short-cuts with whole numbers and decimal numbers <br> - Properties of arithmetic (e.g., commutative, distributive, associative) applicable to decimals |
| Lesson 10 | Dividing Decimals | - Interpret division with decimals as splitting an amount or finding how many groups can "fit into" an amount <br> - Matching verbal language and symbolic notation for division to a concrete model <br> - Comparing and contrasting $a / b$ with $b / a$ |
| Lesson 11 | Apply Decimal Learning | - Applying decimal operations and percents in real-life scenarios |
| Closing the Unit | Put It Together | - Identifying areas for future instruction <br> - Problem-solving involving fractions, decimals, and percents <br> - Reviewing conceptual understanding of operations involving decimals |



## Taxes, Taxes, Taxes

## How is the tax determined?

## Synopsis

In this lesson, students practice finding multiples of $1 \%$ as they consider sales tax charges in various states. Multiples of $10 \%$ and $1 \%$ are then combined to analyze payroll deductions.

1. The whole class discusses taxes and tax rates encountered in daily life.
2. Students solve a series of problems involving the sales tax charged in different states. Pairs of students check each other's work.
3. The class discusses methods for finding single-digit percent amounts and the connection between percents and parts of wholes.
4. Student pairs solve a problem involving payroll deductions for two individuals.
5. The class discusses methods used to find two-digit percents and then considers using a decimal equivalent and the calculator to solve the same problems.
6. The class summarizes by compiling a list of methods for finding two-digit percent amounts.

## Objectives

- Use multiples of $1 \%$ to find single-digit percents
- Combine multiples of $10 \%$ and $1 \%$ to find two-digit percents


## Materials/Prep

- Calculators
- Colored pencils or markers
- Play money
- Sticky notes (optional)

Copy Blackline Master 9: 100-Block Grid for the class to use during the Opening Discussion.

Provide actual sales slips showing item costs and sales tax (from more than one state if possible) to share during Activity 1 (optional).

Collect payroll stubs (with names blacked out) to share during Activity 2 (optional).

## Opening Discussion

Survey the class by asking:
Who has paid taxes? What kind of taxes? (income tax, sales tax, cigarette tax, gas tax)

## What percent tax did you pay?

List some of the figures for your state that go with the examples given.
Be specific in your questioning and have available play money for demonstrations. Ask:

How do you figure sales tax on a $\$ 10$ item? Who uses another way?
Show us your answer is correct using the 100 -Block Grid or the play money.
Have available some copies of the Blackline Master 10: 100-Block Grids, and allow time for students to work together in pairs or groups.

## Heads Up!

If the percent of sales tax in your state includes a decimal, consider using another tax that does not or using a figure from a neighboring state.
The language "sales tax included" may confuse students. Talk through an example. For instance, the cost of a $\$ 10$ item that is priced with sales tax included and the final cost of that $\$ 10$ item if sales tax is added on.

Following are two ways students might demonstrate with the grid:

- Decide how the whole grid represents $\$ 10$. Divide the grid into 10 columns representing 10 dollars, and mark each "dollar" (column) with the amount of tax (cents per dollar) on it. Then add the 10 figures together.
- Show that each block represents 10 cents. Shade the number of blocks representing the sales tax percent (five blocks for $5 \%$, for example). Then multiply the number of blocks by 10 cents to determine the tax amount.
Ask volunteers to explain their reasoning with their grid.


## Did any of you get an answer with the grid that surprised you? How?

Take time to reconcile differences and reach consensus on the total tax paid. Then prompt a review for finding $1 \%$ by asking:

What if the sales tax were $11 \%$ ? How could you use what you know about finding $10 \%$ and finding $1 \%$ to figure the $11 \%$ tax on a $\$ 10$ item?

Record strategies.
Introduce Activity 1 Different States, Different Charges (Student Book, p. 74) by saying:

Today you will look at several situations involving taxes. The first situation involves figuring out the sales tax charged in different states for three items.

You will see that you can use what you know about finding $10 \%$ and $1 \%$ of a number to find other percents.

## Activity 1: Different States, Different Charges

Refer students to Activity 1: Different States, Different Charges (Student Book, p. 74). The additional practice in determining multiples of $1 \%$ will be valuable. Review directions.

Together determine what the rounded item amounts will be, and ask each student to record that information on the "Sales Tax Table." Assign pairs to check each other's work. Students complete the table and answer the questions on their own.

Pay attention to the following:

- Do students start with $1 \%$ multiplied or added? Or $5 \%$ because they can find $10 \%$ easily and then divide by two?
- Do they build percents by finding $4 \%$ (either by determining $1 \%$ and multiplying it by four or by finding $2 \%$ and then doubling it)? Do they then add $1 \%$ to find $5 \%$ or $2 \%$ to find $6 \%$ ?

Some students will always begin by finding $1 \%$ and then adding or multiplying to find other single digit percents. Some will move the decimal point, while others will divide by 10 and then divide by 10 again to find $1 \%$; some may use a calculator and divide by 100 .

Talking about the varied strategies will allow you to connect these different approaches. You want students to see that the decimal point movement results from dividing and that dividing by 10 and then by 10 again results in the same answer as dividing by 100 .

When everyone has completed at least the third column for Problem 1, call the class together. Say:

I saw many different approaches to finding the sales tax amounts. What was one strategy that you used to find $5 \%$ ? Who used another way?

Connect the strategies whenever possible, discussing in detail why both ways work. For instance, point out that to start with dividing by 10 (finding 10\%) means you need to divide further because $10 \%$ is more than $5 \%$, while to start with dividing by 100 (finding $1 \%$ ) means you need to multiply because $1 \%$ is less than $5 \%$. However, in both cases the first step requires division.

Keep sharing. Then ask:

## Which of these strategies is easiest to do in your head?

Which of these would be easiest to use if the whole were $\$ 9,750$, not $\$ 100$ or $\$ 40$ ?

Students will likely have varying opinions about "easiest" methods. It is not important to reach consensus here; rather you want students to realize that different strategies may be easier in certain cases, although they yield the same results.

When you ask students how they determined the final cost of a sound system (sales tax included) in Florida, point out the need to add two amounts-tax and cost-in order to find the solution.

Problem solving remains the focus when you discuss how much more a sound system costs (sales tax included) in Michigan than in Alabama. Highlight the need to find total final costs (by adding the amount of the tax to the price of the item) in both states before subtracting to find the difference. On Problem 4, you can also move students toward a generalized rule about percents: The higher the percent charged, the higher the amount paid. Ask:

## Is it true that the higher the tax percent, the more you pay? Why?

If students do not mention that the higher the percent charged, the larger the part of the whole being considered, ask about the part/whole relationship.

Close the discussion by asking:

## How could you use what you know about finding $1 \%$ of a whole to find any percent?

Expect students to arrive at the conclusion that they can divide the whole amount by 100 (or by 10 and then 10 again) and multiply by the number of the percent. Check the rule by practicing on a few amounts such as $250,1,000$, and 5,475 , using calculators as well as mental math.

## Activity 2: Take-Home Pay

Introduce the activity by telling students:
Sales taxes are only one type of tax. Almost all taxes, though, are described in terms of percents paid, as you will see in the next activity which looks at payroll deductions and take-home pay for two people.

Refer students to Activity 2: Take-Home Pay (Student Book, p. 76). Read the first problem and take a quick poll on whether students agree that Mara would be taking home four times as much pay as her brother.

Students work individually or in pairs. Notice how students determine percents that involve multiples of $10 \%$ and $1 \%$.

When students have completed the table, ask:

## What did you discover about the take-home pay for these two people?

Ask students to justify their discoveries by explaining why it turned out that the more highly-paid person took home about three times as much money even though she earned four times as much as her brother.

Then turn the discussion to calculation of percents:
How did you find $28 \%$ of $\$ 1,600$ ?
How did you find $15 \%$ of $\$ 400$ ?
Did anyone use a calculator? How?
Discuss the methods used for each problem. Suggest alternative approaches if everyone solved the problems the same way.

How might knowing one-fourth, or 25\%, of \$1,600 (\$400) have helped you solve the problem?

Focus as well on the whole and the part:
What was the whole in Mara's case? (\$1600) In her brother's case? (\$400)

## What part was paid for federal income tax?

If students report the part as $28 \%$, ask:

## What fraction is $28 \%$ ? How do you know?

How can you find 28/100 of $\$ 1,600$ using the calculator?
Once students have realized they can find the answer by dividing $\$ 1,600$ by 100 and then multiplying by 28 , practice with a few more dollar amounts. Doublecheck by using non-calculator methods for finding $28 \%$.

If students are using multiplication, reinforce this method by saying:
How could you use the decimal 28 hundredths (0.28) to find $28 \%$ of $\$ 1,600$ on the calculator?

When students understand that they should multiply, revisit some earlier problems to employ this method. You might also practice calculating with some different percents such as $37 \%$ or $82 \%$. Always prove that results are accurate by checking with the method of finding $10 \%$ and $1 \%$ and their multiples and then either adding or subtracting.

Establish as a class that to find $28 \%$ on the calculator you can do one of the following:

- Divide by 100 and multiply by 28.
- Divide by 10 and then 10 again and multiply by 28 .
- Multiply by 0.28 .


## Summary Discussion

Say to the class:
Sometimes you only need a rough idea of what percent an amount represents; however, other times it is not enough to say, "This is about $10 \%$." Sometimes it is important to know an exact amount, for example, in the case of a $15 \%$ tip or a $35 \%$ deduction.

## What are all the ways you can find $15 \%$ of a number such as $\$ 400$ ?

Record methods, adding these if no one mentions them:

- Find $10 \%$ (divide by 10 ), then find half of that, and add the two together: $\$ 40+\$ 20=\$ 60$.
- Find $10 \%$, take half of that ( $5 \%$ ), and then triple that amount.
- Find $1 \%$ (divide by 100 ), and multiply by $15: \$ 4(15)=\$ 60$.
- Find $10 \%$ (divide by 10 ), and then divide by 10 again to find $1 \%$. Add the $10 \%$ number and multiply the $1 \%$ number by five: $\$ 40+\$ 4(5)=\$ 40+\$ 20$ $=\$ 60$.
- Change the percent to a decimal $(15 \%=0.15)$, and multiply $\$ 400$ by 0.15 on a calculator.

Reiterate that although using a calculator often appears easy, knowing how to find a percent by using multiples of $10 \%$ and $1 \%$ is useful when you do not have a calculator handy.

Then ask:

## In what ways have you thought about parts and wholes in this lesson?

Suggest students take a few minutes to write in Reflections (Student Book, pp. 211-212) about two ways to find a particular percent of a given amount and finish the Equivalents Chart (Student Book, p. 210), if they haven't already. Direct students to Vocabulary (Student Book, p. 204) and ask them for any terms they would like to add to the list.

## Practice

Personal Payroll Deductions, p. 77
For practice finding tax percents deducted from a weekly income.
Which Is a Better Deal?, p. 79
For practice finding percents and fractions of amounts charged for sale items.
Increase, Decrease, p. 81
For practice determining percents and adding to or subtracting from an original amount to calculate the increased or decreased amount.

Visuals of Percents, p. 82
For practice representing the whole when given a part or percent of it.
Mental Math Comparisons, p. 84
For practice calculating percent amounts for multiples of $1 \%$.

Extension
Markdowns, p. 85
Tells the story of how an item price changed due to percent reductions.

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## Looking Closely

Observe whether students are able to

## Use multiples of $1 \%$ to find single-digit percents

Do students recall how to find $1 \%$ of a number? If students struggle to find $1 \%$, ask how they find $10 \%$ and how that might help them find $1 \%$. Review the concept of multiples by asking, "If you know that $\$ 10$ is $1 / 10$, or $10 \%$, of $\$ 100$, how would you find $30 \%$ ?"

Students can separate whole amounts into percent parts using play money, or they can use a grid to better visualize the problem. For instance, if a whole grid represents $\$ 40$, what is the value of each square on the grid? ( 40 cents) A 100block grid also represents $100 \%$ of an amount, so each block represents what part/ percent? (1\%) How many must be counted to find $4 \%$ ? (Four) How much money is that? (\$1.60).

Do students know they need to add sales tax and item cost together when comparing costs among states? The introduction of store sales slips can be used to demonstrate this idea.

## Combine multiples of $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ and $\mathbf{1 \%}$ to find two-digit percents

Do students know how to decompose numbers? Help students see that they can break $15 \%$ into two parts-a $10 \%$ part and a $5 \%$ part. You can use a 100 -block grid to show this by shading $10 \%$ in one color and $5 \%$ in another and asking what the total percent shaded is. Suggest students take apart $28 \%$ as well. Some ways to break apart the number $28 \%$ follow:

- $10 \%+10 \%+8 \%$
- $25 \%+3 \%$
- $20 \%+8 \%$

If students break apart numbers in ways that do not simplify the problem (" $28 \%$ $=15 \%+13 \%$," for example), suggest that they concentrate on breaking apart numbers into 10 's and 1's. Provide them with some practice so that breaking apart numbers this way becomes automatic.

Those who easily break apart numbers and who know how to find $10 \%, 1 \%$, and their multiples can deepen their number sense by considering:

- How can a benchmark fraction/percent help in this case?
- Is there any way to use doubling or halving?
- If I round up (to $30 \%$, for instance), how would I find $28 \%$ ? ( $28 \%$ is $2 \%$ less than $30 \%$, and I can find $30 \%$ and $2 \%$.)


## Rationale

Knowing how to combine $10 \%, 1 \%$, and their multiples helps students determine less common percents, such as $28 \%$. In situations in which an approximation is not good enough, knowing how to find a percent by using the benchmark percents $10 \%$ and $1 \%$ in combination with $25 \%, 50 \%$, and $75 \%$ is useful.

## Math Background

Finding a percent of an amount is only the first step toward determining the full cost of an item or the net take-home pay for an individual. The problems in this lesson are two-step problems; they require a first step, finding the amount of the percent(s), and a second step, adding or subtracting that amount from the whole to find the answer. Keeping track of steps in an organized way helps students solve the problems.

Deciding what operation to use when finding percents will vary. For example, $28 \%$ of 50 can be solved by multiplying: $0.28 \times 50=14$; or it can be solved by finding $30 \%$ of 50 (15) and subtracting $2 \%$ of 50 (1), so $15-1=14$; or by finding $25 \%(1 / 4)$ of $50(12.5)$ and adding $3 \%$ of $50(1.5)$, so $12.5+1.5=14$. The preferred method depends on the individual. For those who know how to find multiples of $10 \%$ and $1 \%$, for example, finding $30 \%$ and $2 \%$ and subtracting might be easiest; for those who like using the calculator, using the decimal for $28 \%$ and multiplying might work best.

## Context

Tax charges commonly surface in daily life. This lesson provides a springboard to discuss taxation, earnings, and state tax rate differences, as well as processes for determining percents. Students can locate information to compare state and local taxes of any type by using an Internet search engine and typing in the type of tax (income, sales, excise, estate, etc.) and the level of government (state or federal) or the locations (cities and towns) they wish to examine.

## Facilitation

Whether or not students accurately calculate a percent, you want them to consider how sensible their calculations are. Ask, "Is it supposed to be less than $10 \%$ ? What would $10 \%$ be?" Or, "Is that close to $25 \%$ ? What would one-quarter be?"

The decimal-equivalent discussion at the close of Activity 2: Take-Home Pay opens the door to further exploration. You might choose to explore decimal patterns to construct a general rule for changing percents to decimals. Encourage students to reexamine the percent, fraction, and decimal table on p. 210 in their Reflections section. They can add the decimal equivalents for $15 \%$ and $28 \%$ and then look at all decimals and percents to notice the decimal-point pattern (moving the percent's decimal point two places to the left). Once they see this pattern, you might follow up by including some single-digit percents and their decimal equivalents.

## Making the Lesson Harder

Following Problem 4 in Activity 1: Different States, Different Charges, you might ask questions that provoke further generalizations, such as:

If the Michigan sales tax were $9 \%$, would you expect the difference between the cost of an item there and of the same item in Alabama to be greater or smaller? Why?

If the Michigan sales tax were $9 \%$ and the Alabama sales tax were $6 \%$, how would the difference affect a one-time purchase like a refrigerator? What about something you buy weekly or monthly like paper towels?

Base calculations on the $\$ 100$ sound system price to make differences easily visible and comparable.

You might also ask students to consider the difference in tax paid on two itemssneakers and sound systems-in states with $4 \%, 5 \%, 6 \%$, and $7 \%$ tax rates. They look for a pattern, explain it, and, if possible, write a rule for finding sales tax for any item. Chart the differences in taxes paid and post the numbers on the board:

| Sales Tax Charged | Difference between <br> Tax Paid on Sneakers and <br> Tax Paid on Sound System |
| :---: | :---: |
| $4 \%$ | $\$ 2.40$ |
| $5 \%$ | $\$ 3.00$ |
| $6 \%$ | $\$ 3.60$ |
| $7 \%$ | $\$ 4.20$ |

Then pose the question:
As we increase the sales tax by $1 \%$, the difference between tax paid on the sneakers and tax paid on the sound system increases by the same amount each time. Why is the difference always the same?

The class will calculate the pattern of increase ( 60 cents for each percent increase), but may need to be prompted to consider what 60 cents represents ( $1 \%$ of the $\$ 60$ difference in cost between a stereo and sneakers).

How might you write a rule that would let you predict the difference in tax paid on sneakers and sound systems between any two states?

Figuring out percents by using patterns is a powerful method; however, students often need multiple opportunities to do this and to generalize from what they have done to make this method their own.

Teacher: "To find $1 \%$ of a number you can . . ."
There was total confusion, although students were well able to find $1 \%$ of 500 , as well as $10 \%, 25 \%, 50 \%, 200 \%$, and $300 \%$. Students were confused about what they needed to do-multiply or divide.
The teacher wrote on the board: " $50 \%$ of $500=250$ "
Teacher: "How did we get that?"
Students: "Took half."
Teacher: "Okay, that is the same as dividing by what?"

The students called out, "Two." Then they continued to work on the operation required by each percent. Students listed the equivalents-50\% with $1 / 2,25 \%$ with $1 / 4,10 \%$ with $1 / 10$, and $1 \%$ with $1 / 100$-and saw the relationship between each of those percents and division by $2,4,10,1$, and 100 , respectively.

Having established the list, Carol asked, "How can we figure out what is $1 \%$ of 3,200 ?"

Students worked with percent patterns, starting with $100 \%=3,200$.

Student: "To get 1\%, I knock off two zeroes. That
 gets me from $100 \%$ to $1 \%$, so I knock off two zeroes and that gets me from 3,200 to 32."

Teacher: "What about $1 \%$ of 5,000 ?"
Kiki: "One percent of 5,000 is 4,950."
The teacher took a moment to ask Kiki how she got 4,950. In fact, she found $1 \%$ and subtracted. Because she confused $1 \%$ of 5,000 with $1 \%$ off, she came up with the wrong answer. The group did a few more examples, clarifying each time whether the $1 \%$ was of the whole or off the whole.

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An old saying goes, "Two things are certain in life: death and taxes." Taxes cost individuals and companies money, but paying taxes gives the government revenue to provide services. Understanding how to calculate taxes can help you keep track of where your money goes.
In this lesson, you will build on what you know about finding multiples of $1 \%$ and $10 \%$ to determine the sales tax for various items and to compare wages.

## Activity 1: Different States, Different Charges

In 2020, only five states did not charge statewide sales tax. Forty-five states charged rates from a low of 2.9 percent in Colorado to 7.25 percent in California. (https://taxfoundation.org/2020-sales-taxes/)

- Round the item prices to the nearest dollar and write them on the lines in the sales tax table.
- Fill in the rest of the chart.
- Answer the questions that follow.


Sales Tax Table

| Sales Tax <br> Rate* | Sound System <br> $\$ \_$ | Sneakers <br> $\$$ | Washing Machine <br> $\$$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | Tax Paid on Items |  |  |
| 4\% <br> AL, GA, HI, <br> NY, WY |  |  |  |
| 5\% <br> ND, WI |  |  |  |
| 6\% <br> FL, ID, IA, KY, <br> MD, MI, PA, <br> SC, VT, WV |  |  |  |
| 7\% |  |  |  |
| IN, MS, RI, TN |  |  |  |

*States charging this percent sales tax in 2020

1. What are two ways you can calculate the amount charged when there is a $5 \%$ sales tax on an item?
2. What is the final cost of the sound system in Florida (FL), including sales tax? How do you know?
3. How much more does a sound system cost in Michigan (MI) than in Alabama (AL), including the sales tax? How do you know?
4. With sales tax, what is the difference in price for a washing machine between states listed with the lowest sale tax and those with the highest sales tax?

Activity 2: Take-Home Pay

1. Mara lives in Oregon and earns four times as much as her brother who lives in Louisiana. Mara thinks that her net or take-home pay will be four times as much as her brother's take-home pay. Do you agree with Mara? Why or why not?

| Gross <br> Weekly Pay | Federal* <br> Tax | State <br> Tax | Social <br> Security | Medicare | Net Pay |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mara's: <br> $\$ 1,600$ | $28 \%$ | $11 \%$ <br> $(O R)$ | $6 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |
| Her <br> brother's: <br> $\$ 400$ | $15 \%$ | $6 \%$ <br> $(L A)$ | $6 \%$ | $1 \%$ |  |

*All tax figures are based on 2015 tax rates and are rounded to whole numbers.
Based on the tax figures, Mara compared their take-home, or net, pay. What did she discover?
2. Mara's take-home pay:
3. Her brother's take-home pay:
4. When Mara compared them, she found that ...

## Practice: Personal Payroll Deductions

A paycheck stub lists the gross pay (the total amount before any costs) and the take-home, or net, pay after taxes and deductions for benefits.

Use the following information to determine what the take-home amount is after all deductions.

Show your work.

1. Fill in your own weekly gross pay or make up an amount.

Gross weekly pay (hours worked $x$ hourly wage): $\qquad$
2. The percent withheld for Federal income tax: $\qquad$
(Choose the category that applies to you.)

## Weekly Withholding for Federal Income Tax

| Tax Rate* | Single | Married Filing <br> Jointly | Married Filing <br> Separately | Head of <br> Household |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ | $\$ 0-\$ 222$ | $\$ 0-\$ 520$ | $\$ 0-\$ 134.62$ | $\$ 0-\$ 192.31$ |
| $\mathbf{1 5 \%}$ | $\$ 222.01-$ <br> $\$ 764$ | $\$ 520.01-\$$ <br> 1,906 | $\$ 134.63-$ <br> $\$ 546.15$ | $\$ 192.32-$ <br> $\$ 731.73$ |
| $\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ | $\$ 764.01-$ <br> $\$ 1,1789$ | $\$ 1,906.01-$ <br> $\$ 3,073$ | $\$ 546.16-$ <br> $\$ 1,679.81$ | $\$ 731.74-$ <br> $\$ 1,889.42$ |

*All tax rates are based on 2015 figures.
Check http://www.taxadmin.org or call the reference librarian at your local library for the state income tax rates in your state.
3. The amount withheld for Federal income tax per week from your gross pay: $\qquad$
Explain your reasoning.
4. The percent withheld for state income tax in your state: $\qquad$ Explain your reasoning.
5. The amount withheld for state income tax per week from your gross pay: $\qquad$ Explain your reasoning.

## Other Deductions

Social Security tax rate for employees: 6\% (approximate)
Medicare tax rate for employees: 1\% (approximate)
6. The percent withheld for other deductions per week from your gross pay: $\qquad$
7. The amount withheld for other deductions: $\qquad$
8. Net weekly pay: $\qquad$

## Practice: Which Is a Better Deal?

Two stores at the mall sell a lot of the same things, but they tend to offer good deals on different items.

Both stores are having big sales. Circle the better deal for each item.

1. Jacket

## At Barkers:



At Elsa's:

2. Set of Kitchen Knives

At Barkers:


At Elsa's:


Show how you know with pictures, words or numbers.
3. Media Streaming Device

At Barkers:

4. Running Shoes

At Barkers:


## At Elsa's:



At Elsa's:

5. Dollhouse

At Barkers:


## At Elsa's:



Show how you know with pictures, words or numbers.

For Problem 6, choose your own " $\qquad$ \%-off" sale for each stapler and show how you know the final cost with pictures, words or numbers.
6. Stapler

At Barkers:


At Elsa's:


## Practice: Increase, Decrease

Write the matching amount for each description on the line provided.

## Descriptions

1. Population: 3,000 increased by $35 \%$ 9,520
2. Manufacturing jobs: 1,200 decreased by $8 \%$ $\qquad$ 731.5
3. Fundraising target: $\$ 8,500$ increased by $12 \%$ $\qquad$ 1,160
4. Registered voters: 800
increased by 45\% $\qquad$ 8,610
5. Technology costs: $\$ 10,500$
decreased by 18\% $\qquad$ 4,050
6. Carpet coverage: 950 sq. ft.; decreased by $23 \%$ $\qquad$ 1,104
7. Cassie thinks the total for Problem 5 is $\$ 8,190$, not $\$ 8,610$. Check her math. What method did she use to solve the problem?
a. Explain what each number is.
b. Circle and explain the error(s).

Cassie started with $\$ 10,500$.

| Step 1 | Step 2 | Step 3 |
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| $\$ 1,050$ | $\$ 2,100$ | $\$ 10,500$ |
| $\$ 1,050$ | $\underline{+} 210$ | $-2,310$ |
| $\$ 105$ | $\$ 2,310$ | $\$ 8,190$ |
| $\$ 105$ |  |  |

## Practice: Visuals of Percents

Each of the following diagrams represents a percent of a whole diagram. Draw or describe in words what $100 \%$ of each diagram would look like.

1. Twenty-seven percent of the circle is shaded.

a. Shade the rest.
b. How do you know $100 \%$ of the circle is now shaded?
c. What percent did you shade? $\qquad$
2. This is $15 \%$ of a line of dots. How many dots represent $100 \%$ of the line? How do you know?

3. Calculate $15 \%$ of
a. 1,000
b. 1,200
c. 1 million
d. What is the pattern that you see?
4. a. What percent of the line below is drawn? $\qquad$

b. Draw the line out to $100 \%$ of its length.
c. What percent of the line did you draw? $\qquad$
d. How do you know your line equals $100 \%$ of the length?
5. This grid represents $25 \%$ of a whole.

a. Show a shape that would represent $100 \%$ of a whole.
b. How do you know your shape equals $100 \%$ of a whole?

## Practice: Mental Math Comparisons

Compare each pair of amounts. Predict the answer, then solve the problems in your head. Use the benchmarks $10 \%$ and $1 \%$.Then use the symbols for less than, greater than and equals to show the comparisons.

## Predict

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$5 \%$ of $\$ 10,000=$
6. $70 \%$ of $\$ 1,200$ $\qquad$ $7 \%$ of $\$ 12,000$
$70 \%$ of $\$ 1,200=$
$7 \%$ of $\$ 12,000=$

Extension: Markdowns
Discounter's Warehouse always has the lowest prices in town.
This is how they price their items:

- Immediate discount of $4 \%$
- After six months on the shelf, deep discount of $35 \%$ off the last price
- After 12 months on the shelf, a deeper discount of $12 \%$ off the last price

1. Fill in the markdown history of the items in the following chart. You may want to use a calculator. Round your answers to the nearest cent.

Discounter's Warehouse Markdown Schedule

| Initial <br> Price | Immediate Discount Deep Discount <br> (after 6 months)  <br>  $4 \%$ <br> Discount PriceDeeper Discount <br> (after 12 months)  <br> Discount  |  | Price | $12 \%$ <br> Discount | Price |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jacket <br> $\$ 125.00$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Lamp <br> $\$ 44.00$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

2. Is a $51 \%$ markdown off the original price a better deal than the markdown schedule? Explain.
3. The American Heart Association recommends that saturated fat intake be limited to 300 g each day. Four ounces of dark-meat chicken with skin contains 15 grams of saturated fat, which is
(a) $1 \%$ of the recommended daily saturated fat intake.
(b) $5 \%$ of the recommended daily saturated fat intake.
(c) $10 \%$ of the recommended daily saturated fat intake.
(d) $15 \%$ of the recommended daily saturated fat intake.
(e) $20 \%$ of the recommended daily saturated fat intake.
4. Based on past sales, chocolate ice cream accounts for $19 \%$ of all ice cream sales. Which calculation DOES NOT show how much chocolate ice cream a supermarket should order?
(a) Find $10 \%, 5 \%$, and $4 \%$ of your ice cream order.
(b) Find $\frac{19}{100}$ of your ice cream order.
(c) Find $\frac{1}{5}$ of your order and subtract $1 \%$.
(d) Find one-quarter of your order and add $1 \%$.
(e) Find $20 \%$ of your order and subtract $1 \%$.
5. A supermarket orders 300 gallons of ice cream each month. Chocolate ice cream accounts for $19 \%$ of the order. How many gallons of chocolate ice cream will the market order?
(a) 63 gallons
(b) 60 gallons
(c) 57 gallons
(d) 27 gallons
(e) 18 gallons
6. According to the graph, at which stores were ice cream sales at least $45 \%$ vanilla ice cream?

(a) Market Cart and T.J.'s
(b) Corner Store and Smiley's
(c) Corner Store and Piggy's
(d) Corner Store and Market Cart
(e) Piggy's, Smiley's, and T.J.'s
7. The percent of workers who get paid for sick days dropped from $67 \%$ in 2009 to $60 \%$ in 2014. A company had 1,000 workers in both 2009 and 2014. How many fewer workers were likely paid for sick days in 2014?
(a) 60
(b) 70
(c) 330
(d) 600
(e) 670
8. In $2013,48 \%$ of people who passed the GED ${ }^{\circledR}$ tests in Massachusetts were teens. How many teens received a GED ${ }^{\circledR}$ certificate if 9,700 certificates were given?
