Per cent means out of 100.

Percentages are fractions with a denominator of 100.

The symbol for per cent is %.

### Example



$$\frac{47}{100} = 47\% = 0.47$$

To express fractions as percentages, change them to equivalent fractions with denominators of 100.

### Examples



$$\frac{3}{10} = \frac{30}{100} = 30\%$$



$$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{75}{100} = 75\%$$

To express decimals as percentages, multiply by 100.

## Examples

$$0.2 = 20\% \quad (0.2 \times 100 = 20)$$
  
 $0.85 = 85\% \quad (0.85 \times 100 = 85)$ 

It is useful to know that:

$$\frac{1}{100} = 0.01 = 1\%$$
,  $\frac{2}{100} = 0.02 = 2\%$ , etc.

$$\frac{1}{10} = 0.1 = 10\%$$
,  $\frac{2}{10} = 0.2 = 20\%$ , etc.

$$\frac{1}{4}$$
 = 25%,  $\frac{1}{2}$  = 50%,  $\frac{3}{4}$  = 75%

# A

Express each shaded area as:

- a) a fraction
- b) a decimal
- c) a percentage.





















- What percentage of the boxes contain:
  - a) ticks
- c) dots
- b) crosses
- d) triangles?

X		1		
1	•			1
		Δ	1	
	1		X	

What percentage of the boxes are blank?

## B

Copy and complete the table.

Fractions	Decimals	%ages
1/10	0.1	10%
		50%
		32%
		90%
	0.18	
	0.25	
	0.02	
	0.4	
<del>7</del> 50		
7 50 3 4 6 100		
6 100		
11 25		
		1%
	0.95	

What percentage could be used in each sentence.

- 2 Half the tissues in the box had been used.
- 3 Nineteen of the twenty horses in the race were brown.
- The basketball team won four in every five matches played.
- Twenty-nine hundredths of the Earth's surface is water.
- 6 Ella and Elysia achieved full marks in the Maths Test.
- Darren has read three quarters of his book.
- Twenty-seven in every fifty visitors to the Museum stayed for more than two hours.
- Nine out of the twenty-five balloons in the packet were yellow.
- Three in every five chocolates had a soft centre.