

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 1

1

What is
 $8 \div \frac{2}{5}$?

2

Five
sixths add
seven
ninths

3

Explain
why 36% is
less than $\frac{3}{8}$

4

Convert $\frac{5}{8}$
into a
percentage

5

Increase
£32 by
15%

6

Write
down a
fraction
between
 $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{2}$

7

Decrease
72m by
35%

8

A recipe for 6
people includes
750ml of orange
juice. How many
millilitres would
be needed for 10
people?

9

There is a 30% sale . A
boy paid £140 for a
camera in the sale.
What was the original
price of the camera?

10

Divide
180 in
the ratio
3:4:5

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 2

1

What is $10 \div \frac{2}{3}$?

2

Eleven twelfths take away three eighths

3

Find 35% of 48Kg

4

13% of 48

5

Increase 56cm by 25%

6

Write down a fraction between $\frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{5}$

7

Decrease £87 by 10%

8

A recipe for 5 people includes 450g of flour many grams would be needed for 8 people?

9

There is a 25% discount in a sale . A girl paid £30 for a pair of jeans in the sale. What was the original price of the jeans?

10

Divide £91 in the ratio 1:2:4

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 3

1

What is
 $24 \times \frac{5}{8}$?

2

Seven
sixteenths
add three
twelfths

3

Find 13%
of 45ml

4

Convert
0.55 to a
percentage

5

Increase
£50 by
6%

6

How would
you change
any fraction to
an equivalent
percentage?

7

Decrease
450m
by 5%

8

5 miles is
approximately
equal to 8km
What would
3miles be
approximately
the same as?

9

There is a 10%
discount in a sale .
Mark pays £450 for a
new TV in the sale.
What was the original
price of the TV?

10

If the ratio of
boys to girls
in a class is 3:1,
could there be
exactly 30
children in the
class? Why?

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 4

1

What is $\frac{2}{3}$ of 8m?

2

Work out:
 $1\frac{3}{5} + 2\frac{3}{4}$

3

27% of 63m

4

Change eight ninths into a decimal to two decimal places

5

Increase 72Kg by 35%

6

Which is closest to $\frac{1}{3}$?
0.3 or 0.4?
Explain why

7

Decrease £98 by just 1%

8

Mary pays £64 for a mobile phone in a sale that originally cost £80. What percentage discount did she get?

9

Ticket prices are increased by 10%. Ali now pays £8.80 for a ticket, what would he have paid before the increase?

10

The angles in a triangle are in the ratio 6:5:7. Find the sizes of the three angles.

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 5

1

What is $12 \div \frac{3}{5}$?

2

$\frac{5}{6}$ add
 $\frac{3}{5}$ take
away $\frac{2}{3}$

3

Ann says that 48% of £56 is £32.48. Explain why she must be wrong.

4

Write seven twelfths as a percentage. Give your answer to one decimal place.

5

Increase 68cm by 5%

6

Starting with one tenth = $0.1 = 10\%$, what other equivalences can you work out?

7

What is a quick way of decreasing any number by 5%?

8

The height of a plant has increased by 12cm from its original height of 0.8m. What is the percentage increase in height?

9

The value of Ann's car decreases by 25% when compared with what she paid for it 2 years ago. It is now worth £3600. What did she pay for the car?

10

Some money is shared between John and Ann in the ratio 3:5. John gets £24, how much does Ann receive?

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 6

1

What is
 $32 \times \frac{7}{8}$?

2

Explain
why $\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2}$
does not
equal $\frac{2}{5}$

3

Work out
98% of £40
Is there a
quick way?

4

Put these in
order: 64%, $\frac{2}{3}$,
0.7, $\frac{5}{8}$ starting
with the
smallest

5

Increase
88Kg by
55%

6

Write
down a
percentage
between $\frac{2}{5}$
and 0.43

7

Decrease
90 by
2.5%

8

Imran scores 45
out of 60 in his
maths test. The
following week he
scores 54 out of 60.
What is the
percentage increase
between the two
tests?

9

For one day only
prices are reduced by
5%. Paul buys a digital
radio for £38. What is
the cost of the radio
before this reduction?

10

£54 is shared
between Steven
and Ali so that
Ali gets twice as
much as Steven.
How much does
Ali get?

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 7

1

What is $\frac{5}{8}$ of 14cm?

2

Eight ninths take away five sixths

3

How could you work out $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ of a quantity?

4

Which is closest to $\frac{2}{3}$?
0.6 or 0.7
How do you know?

5

Increase 500ml by 0.5%

6

Write down a decimal between $\frac{1}{3}$ and 30%

7

Decrease 800ml by 70%

8

Jenny pours out 150ml of milk from a jug leaving 80% of the original amount of milk in the jug. How much milk was originally in the jug?

9

My weight has increased from 80Kg to 84Kg. What is the percentage increase in my weight?

10

The ratio of boys to girls in a class is 2:3. What fraction of the class are boys?

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 8

1

How many times does $\frac{3}{4}$ divide into 12?

2

What is $4\frac{1}{4} - 1\frac{2}{3}$?

3

Is 30% of 42 the same as 42% of 30? Explain your answer

4

If $\frac{3}{5}$ of x is £90, what is 5% of x ?

5

Find 105% of 420m

6

Would you prefer to have $\frac{2}{5}$ or $\frac{1}{2}$?

7

Jake says that to decrease any number by 20% you just multiply by 0.8. Is he right? Explain your answer.

8

I cut 70cm off a length of ribbon so that the ribbon is now 65% of its original length. What was the original length of the ribbon?

9

Jane buys a laptop computer for £400 and then sells in two years later for £240. What is her percentage loss?

10

Divide £4200 in the ratio 1:2:3

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 9

1

What is $\frac{3}{5}$ of 19Kg?

2

Explain why equivalent fractions are important when adding and subtracting fractions

3

Explain how to find a percentage of any number. Which are easy? Which are harder?

4

If $\frac{5}{6}$ of y is £25, what is $\frac{1}{2}$ of y ?

5

What is 200% of 78ml?

6

What fraction lies half-way between 0.4 and 48%?

7

Decrease 43Kg by $\frac{1}{4}$

8

The number of pupils in my school has increased over the last 3 years from 600 to 630. What is the percentage increase in pupil numbers?

9

A bookshop offers a 15% discount if you buy more than two books. Tim buys 4 books and makes a saving of £3. How much would the books have cost Tim without this discount?

10

Potting compost is made from loam, peat and sand in the ratio 7:3:2. A gardener used 1.5 litres of peat to make compost. How much loam did she use?

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 10

1

In a survey of 40 pupils, $\frac{3}{8}$ like basketball, $\frac{2}{5}$ like football and the rest like swimming. How many liked swimming?

2

Take $4\frac{2}{3}$ from $5\frac{1}{2}$

3

John says that if you increase something by 10% and then by another 10% it is the same as increasing it by 20%. Is he correct? Explain your thinking.

4

If $\frac{7}{8}$ of n is 63, what is $\frac{3}{4}$ of n ?

5

Increase 75 by 1%

6

What fraction lies half-way between $\frac{3}{8}$ and 0.75?

7

If I increase n by 30% I get 52. What is n ?

8

A shopkeeper reduces his prices by 10%. A week later he increases them by 10%. Are the prices now back to their original price? Explain your thinking.

9

Cheryl sells her old bicycle for £45 making a loss of 70% on what she originally paid for it. What was the original cost of the bicycle?

10

A sum of money is shared between Sue and David so that Sue gets 50% more than David. What is the ratio of David's share to Sue's share?

APP Level 6 Criteria for challenge

Assessment Criteria	Question Numbers
Use the equivalence of fractions, decimals and percentages to compare proportions	4,6
Calculate percentages and find the outcome of a given percentage increase or decrease	3,5,7
Divide a quantity into two or more parts in a given ratio and solve problems involving ratio and direct proportion	10
Use proportional reasoning to solve a problem, choosing the correct numbers to take as 100%, or as a whole	8,9
Add and subtract fractions by writing them with a common denominator, calculate fractions of quantities (fraction answers), multiply and divide an integer by a fraction	1,2

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 1 (Answers)

1

20

2

One and
eleven
eighteenths

3

$36\% = 0.36$ and
 $\frac{3}{8} = 0.375$
Alternatively
 $\frac{3}{8} = 37\frac{1}{2}\%$

4

$\frac{5}{8} =$
 $62\frac{1}{2}\%$

5

£36.80

6

$\frac{1}{3} =$ Four
twelfths and $\frac{1}{2}$
 $=$ Six twelfths
Five
twelfths

7

46.8m

8

1250ml

9

£200

10

45, 60
and 75

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 2 (Answers)

1

15

2

Thirteen
twenty-
fourths

3

16.8Kg

4

6.24

5

70cm

6

$\frac{1}{4}$ = Ten
fortieths
and $\frac{1}{5}$ = Eight
fortieths
Nine
fortieths

7

£78.30

8

720g

9

£40

10

13, 26
and 52

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 3 (Answers)

1

15

2

Thirty
three forty
eighths

3

5.85ml

4

55%

5

£53

6

Multiply the
fraction by 100
to change it to
a percentage

7

427.5m

8

4.8Km

9

£500

10

No.
4 parts and
30 is not a
multiple of
4

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 4 (Answers)

1

$5\frac{1}{3}m$

2

Four and
seven
twentieths

3

17.01m

4

0.89

5

97.2Kg

6

$\frac{1}{3} = 0.3333 \dots$
So $\frac{1}{3}$ is closer
to 0.3
(0.35 is half-
way between
0.3 and 0.4)

7

£97.02

8

20%

9

£8

10

60° ,
 50° and
 70°

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 5 (Answers)

1

20

2

Twenty
three
thirtieths

3

50% of £56 is
£28 so 48% must
be less than £28
Correct answer is
£26.88

4

53.3%

5

71.4cm

6

Examples:
 $0.2 = 20\%$,
 $0.3 = 30\%$,
 $0.4 = 40\%$, etc

 $0.05 = 5\%$

7

Multiplying
by 0.95

8

15%

9

£4800

10

$5 \times \text{£}8 =$
£40

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 6 (Answers)

1

28

2

$\frac{1}{3} =$ two sixths and $\frac{1}{2} =$ three sixths
So answer is $\frac{5}{6}$

3

1% of £40 = 40p
2% of £40 = 80p
So 98% of £40 is
£40 - 80p =
£39.20

4

$\frac{5}{8}$, 64%, $\frac{2}{3}$, 0.7

5

136.4Kg

6

$\frac{2}{5} = 40\%$
0.43 = 43%, so
41% or
42%

7

87.75

8

45 out of 60 is
75% and 54 out
of 60 is 90%
15%
increase

9

£40

10

£36

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 7 (Answers)

1

8.75cm

2

One
eighteenth

3

First find 10%,
then halve it to
get 5% and then
halve it again.
Or $\times 0.025$

4

$\frac{2}{3} = 0.6666\dots$
So 0.7 is closer
0.65 is half way
between 0.6
and 0.7

5

502.5ml

6

$\frac{1}{3} = 0.33333\dots$
30% = 0.3
So 0.31,
0.32, 0.33
(there are
other answers!)

7

240ml

8

20% is 150ml
So 100%
is 750ml

9

5%

10

$\frac{2}{5}$

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 8 (Answers)

1

16

2

Two and
seven
twelfths

3

Yes

30% of 42 = 0.3×42
which is the same as
 0.42×30 or 42% of 30
Answer = 12.6

4

$\frac{3}{5} = 60\%$ so
60% of $x = \text{€}90$
10% of $x = \text{€}15$
5% of $x =$
€7.50

5

441m

6

$\frac{1}{2}$ is bigger than
 $\frac{2}{3}$ but the answer
is depends on the
quantities
Example: $\frac{2}{3}$ of
€500 is more
than $\frac{1}{2}$ of €20

7

Yes

Decreasing by
20% leaves 80%
and 80% = 0.8

8

35% is 70cm
1% is 2cm
So 100%
is 2m

9

40%

10

€700,
€1400
and
€2100

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 9 (Answers)

1

11.4Kg

2

Fractions can only be added and subtracted when the denominators are the same. Equivalent fractions help to change fractions to the same denominator

3

Easy one are 10% and 5% and multiples of these. Alternative change into a decimal and then multiply, e.g. $17\% = 0.17$, so $\times 0.17$

4

$\frac{5}{100}$ of $y = \text{£}25$ so
 $\frac{1}{100}$ of $y = \text{£}5$
Now $\frac{1}{2}$ is the same as three sixths, so
 $\frac{1}{2}$ of $y = \text{£}15$

5

156ml

6

0.44 is half-way between 0.4 and 48%
And 0.44 is eleven twenty-fifths

7

32.25Kg

8

5%

9

$15\% = \text{£}3$
So $5\% = \text{£}1$
 $50\% = \text{£}10$

$100\% = \text{£}20$

10

3 parts = 1.5L,
so 1 part = 0.5L
Peat is $7 \times 0.5\text{L}$
= 3.5L

Level 6 Platinum Challenge 10 (Answers)

1

15 like
basketball and
16 like
football.
So 9 liked
swimming

2

$\frac{5}{6}$

3

No!

Example

Start price = £20
 $20 \times 1.1 = £22$ and
 $22 \times 1.1 = £24.20$
But
 $20 \times 1.20 = £24$

4

$\frac{7}{8}$ of $n = 63$ so
 $\frac{1}{8}$ of $n = 9$
Now $\frac{3}{4}$ is the
same as six
eighths, so
 $\frac{3}{4}$ of $n = 54$

5

75.75

6

Nine
sixteenths

7

$1.3 \times n = 52$
So $n = 52 \div 1.3$
 $n = 40$

8

No!

Example:

Start price £50
 $50 \times 0.9 = £45$
And
 $45 \times 1.1 = £49.50$

9

$30\% = £45$
So $10\% = £15$

So $100\% =$
 $£150$

10

Example
Sue : David =
 $£15 : £10$
which
simplifies to
 $3 : 2$