

**Study the following.**

There are three ways to change a fraction to a percent, when the fraction does not have 100 in the denominator.

**First Way (only works if denominator is a factor of 100):**

Make an equivalent fraction with 100 in the denominator, and then change this new fraction to a percent. This is the same as writing a proportion and solving by making an equivalent fraction.

Example:  $\frac{2}{5} = \frac{?}{100}$

$$\frac{2 \times (20)}{5 \times (20)} = \frac{40}{100} = 40\%$$

**Change to a percent by making an equivalent fraction.**

1.  $\frac{3}{10}$

6.  $\frac{3}{50}$

2.  $\frac{1}{25}$

7.  $\frac{3}{5}$

3.  $\frac{3}{4}$

8.  $\frac{9}{5}$

4.  $\frac{12}{20}$

9.  $\frac{7}{4}$

5.  $\frac{1}{5}$

10.  $\frac{7}{10}$

11.  $\frac{13}{20}$

**Second Way(always works):**

Write a proportion and solve by cross multiplication.

Example:  $\frac{2}{5} = \frac{?}{100}$

$$5 \times ? = 2 \times 100$$

$$5 \times ? = 200 \quad (200 \div 5 = 40) \text{ so } ? = 40 \text{ answer is } 40\%$$

**Change to a percent by writing a proportion and cross multiplying.**

1.  $\frac{1}{4}$

6.  $\frac{3}{25}$

2.  $\frac{4}{5}$

7.  $\frac{89}{50}$

3.  $\frac{23}{50}$

8.  $\frac{7}{10}$

4.  $\frac{18}{20}$

9.  $\frac{9}{5}$

5.  $\frac{2}{5}$

10.  $\frac{13}{10}$

**Third Way (always works):**

Change the fraction to a decimal and then to a percent.

$$\text{Example: } \frac{2}{5} \qquad \begin{array}{r} \underline{.40} \\ 5 \overline{) 2.00} \end{array} \qquad .40 = 40\%$$

$$\text{Example2: } \frac{2}{3} \qquad \begin{array}{r} \underline{.666} \\ 3 \overline{) 2.000} \end{array}$$

$$.666 \text{ rounded to hundredths is } .67 = 67\%$$

**Change to a percent by first changing to a decimal. Round to the nearest percent.**

1.  $\frac{5}{8}$

2.  $\frac{3}{11}$

3.  $\frac{1}{7}$

4.  $\frac{4}{28}$

5.  $\frac{5}{60}$

6.  $\frac{14}{20}$

7.  $\frac{1}{6}$

8.  $\frac{5}{71}$

9.  $\frac{3}{16}$

10.  $\frac{1}{3}$

11.  $\frac{2}{5}$

12.  $\frac{7}{10}$

**Write as a percent using any way you like. (Round to the nearest percent.)**

1. 3 out of 4 people chew gum
2. Jim got 6 out of 10 questions correct
3. 3 out of 7 bracelets were pink.
4. 8 out of 25 students got an A
5. 1 out of 6 high school students drive to school
6. 4 out of 20 cookies were chocolate.
7. 3 out of 5 games were played
8. 20 out of 40 were boys
9. 30 out of 90 bricks were red
10. 10 out of 45 ribbons were blue

**Study the following.**

Percents can be larger than 100%.

Examples: 143%      200%      6,420%

**Change the following fractions to percents that are larger than 100%.**

1.  $\frac{240}{100}$
2.  $\frac{780}{100}$
3.  $\frac{128}{100}$
4.  $\frac{3,400}{100}$
5.  $\frac{600}{100}$
6.  $\frac{347}{100}$

**Study the following.**

Percents can be decimal numbers.

Examples: 25.5%      16.2%      .03%      .9%

**Change the following to decimal percents.**

1.  $\frac{41.5}{100}$
2.  $\frac{2.34}{100}$
3.  $\frac{80.1}{100}$
4.  $\frac{.004}{100}$
5.  $\frac{.15}{100}$
6.  $\frac{4.444}{100}$

**Study the following.**

**Changing fractions to percents. (greater than 100%)**

When the denominator is 100, it is easy to change a fraction to a percent.

Examples:  $340/100 = 340\%$

If the denominator is not 100, follow one of the three ways as explained earlier. They are written below with new examples of percents greater than 100.

**First Way(only works if denominator is a multiple of 100):**

Make an equivalent fraction with 100 in the denominator, and then change this new fraction to a percent. This is the same as writing a proportion and solving by making an equivalent fraction.

Example:  $\frac{6}{5} = \frac{?}{100}$

$$\frac{6 \times (20)}{5 \times (20)} = \frac{120}{100} = 120\%$$

**Second Way(always works):**

Write a proportion and solve by cross multiplication.

Example:  $\frac{6}{5} = \frac{?}{100}$

$$5 \times ? = 6 \times 100$$

$$5 \times ? = 600 \quad (600 \div 5 = 120) \text{ so } ? = 120 \quad \text{answer is } 120\%$$

**Third Way(always works):**

Change the fraction to a decimal and then to a percent.

Example:  $\frac{6}{5}$        $\begin{array}{r} 1.20 \\ 5 \overline{) 6.00} \end{array}$        $1.20 = 120\%$

Example2:  $4/3$        $\begin{array}{r} 1.333 \\ 3 \overline{) 4.000} \end{array}$

$$1.333 \text{ rounded to hundredths is } 1.\underline{33} = 133\%$$

**Change to a percent greater than 100.****Round to the nearest percent if needed.**

1.  $9/5$

2.  $5/2$

3.  $4/3$

4.  $22/7$

5.  $13/10$

**Study the following.**

**Changing fractions to percents. (with decimal percent answers)**

When the denominator is 100, it is easy to change a fraction to a percent.

Examples:  $2.34/100 = 2.34\%$

If the denominator is not 100, follow one of the way two or three as explained earlier. They are written below with new examples of percents that will give decimal answers.

**First Way(will not work):**

**Second Way(always works):**

Write a proportion and solve by cross multiplication.

Example: Change  $3/7$  to a percent. round to the nearest tenth of a percent

$$\frac{3}{7} = \frac{?}{100}$$

$$7 \times ? = 3 \times 100$$

$$7 \times ? = 300 \quad \begin{array}{r} 42.85 \\ \hline 7 \overline{) 300.00} \end{array}$$

$$(300 \div 7 = 42.85) \text{ so } ? = 42.85$$

rounded to the nearest tenth of a percent is 42.9%

**Third Way(always works):**

Change the fraction to a decimal and then to a percent.

Example: change  $3/7$  to a percent. Round to the nearest tenth of a percent.

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.4285 \\ \hline 7 \overline{) 3.0000} \end{array} \quad 42.85\% \text{ rounded} = 42.9\%$$

**Change to a decimal percent.  
Round to the nearest tenth of a percent if needed.**

1.  $\frac{1}{3}$

2.  $\frac{5}{11}$

3.  $\frac{1}{7}$

4.  $\frac{3}{8}$

5.  $\frac{4}{9}$

**Review.**

**Change these fractions to percent. Round to the nearest tenth of a percent.**

1.  $\frac{3}{25}$

2.  $\frac{60}{100}$

3.  $\frac{3}{100}$

4.  $\frac{50}{100}$

5.  $\frac{75}{100}$

6.  $\frac{1}{4}$

7.  $\frac{3}{5}$

8.  $\frac{20}{10}$

9.  $\frac{1}{6}$

10.  $\frac{450}{100}$

11.  $\frac{2}{9}$

12.  $\frac{1}{8}$

13.  $\frac{2}{13}$

14.  $\frac{3}{4}$