

2-2 Percent and Estimation

Estimate.

23. 92% of 104

SOLUTION:

Method 1: Use a fraction to estimate.

92% is about 90% or $\frac{9}{10}$. 104 is about 100.

$$92\% \text{ of } 104 \approx \frac{9}{10} \cdot 100 \text{ or } 90$$

Method 2: Use 10% to estimate.

10% of 100 is 10.

92% is about $9 \cdot 10\%$.

$$9 \cdot 10 = 90$$

So, 92% of 104 is about 90.

ANSWER:

90; Sample answer: $\frac{9}{10} \cdot 100 = 90$; $0.1 \cdot 100 = 10$

and $9 \cdot 10 = 90$

25. 0.9% of 74

SOLUTION:

0.9% is nine-tenths of 1%. 74 is about 70.

$$1\% \text{ of } 70 = 0.01 \cdot 70$$

$$= 0.7$$

So, 0.9% of 74 is about 0.7.

ANSWER:

0.7; Sample answer: $0.01 \cdot 70 = 0.7$

27. You use 43 muscles to frown. When you smile, you use 32% of these same muscles. About how many muscles do you use when you smile?

SOLUTION:

Estimate 32% of 43.

Method 1: Use a fraction to estimate.

32% is about 30% or $\frac{3}{10}$. 43 is about 40.

$$32\% \text{ of } 43 \approx \frac{3}{10} \cdot 40 \text{ or } 12$$

Method 2: Use 10% to estimate.

10% of 40 is 4.

32% is about $3 \cdot 10\%$.

$$3 \cdot 4 = 12$$

So, 32% of 43 is about 12.

You use about 12 muscles when you smile.

ANSWER:

about 12 muscles; $\frac{3}{10} \cdot 40 = 12$