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Finding fraction of a quantity

$\frac{4}{5}$ of 27 = \square


Because 5 does not go into 27 easily, I could use a decimal strategy instead

$\frac{4}{5} = 0.8$

$(0.1 \times 27 = 2.7$ so 0.2 is double $2.7 = 5.4$)

$27 - (0.2 \times 27) \rightarrow 27 - 5.4 = 21.6$

so $\frac{4}{5}$ of 27 is 21.6



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Finding decimals of a quantity


$0.55 \times 0.7 = \square$

Instead of using a decimal strategy I can use a percentage strategy $\rightarrow 0.55 = 55\%$

50% of 0.7 = 0.35 and 5% is 0.035

To find the answer, I need to add 0.35 to 0.035

so $0.55 \times 0.7 = 0.385$



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Finding percentages of a quantity

65% of 36 = \square


This time I will break each part of the percentage into pieces to make it easier $\rightarrow 50\% + 10\% + 5\%$

So, 50% of 36 is 18, 10% is 3.6 and 5% is 1.8

Now recombine

$18 + 3.6 + 1.8 = 23.4$

so 65% of 36 is 23.4



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Finding equivalent ratios


$21:28 = ? : 8$

To find the equivalent ratio I am going to first simplify the ratio by using a common factor

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Now I will use multiplication to make an equivalent ratio

So $21:28 = 6:8$



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Finding a multiplier between the units

How long will a car take to travel 20km if it travels at a constant rate of 12km in 27 minutes?

To find the missing quantity I need to find the relationship between 12km and 20km. I can see that 20km is 8km larger than 12km, or $\frac{4}{12}$ or $\frac{2}{3}$

So our multiplier is $\frac{2}{3}$

If $12\text{km} + (12\text{km} \times \frac{2}{3}) = 12\text{km} + 8\text{km} = 20\text{km}$,
 then $27\text{min} + (27\text{mins} \times \frac{2}{3}) = 27\text{mins} + 18\text{mins} = 45\text{mins}$

So it takes the car 45mins to travel 20km

