## Lesson 15: Finding This Percent of That

Let's solve percentage problems like a pro.

## 15.1: Number Talk: Decimals

Find the value of each expression mentally.
(0.23) • 100
$50 \div 100$
$145 \cdot \frac{1}{100}$
$7 \div 100$

## 15.2: Audience Size

A school held several evening activities last month-a music concert, a basketball game, a drama play, and literacy night. The music concert was attended by 250 people. How many people came to each of the other activities?

1. Attendance at a basketball game was $30 \%$ of attendance at the concert.
2. Attendance at the drama play was $140 \%$ of attendance at the concert.
3. Attendance at literacy night was $44 \%$ of attendance at the concert.

## Are you ready for more?

$50 \%$ of the people who attended the drama play also attended the music concert. What percentage of the people who attended the music concert also attended the drama play?

## 15.3: Everything is On Sale

During a sale, every item in a store is $80 \%$ of its regular price.

1. If the regular price of a $T$-shirt is $\$ 10$, what is its sale price?
2. The regular prices of five items are shown here. Find the sale price of each item.

|  | item 1 | item 2 | item 3 | item 4 | item 5 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| regular price | $\$ 1$ | $\$ 4$ | $\$ 10$ | $\$ 55$ | $\$ 120$ |
| sale price |  |  |  |  |  |
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3. You found $80 \%$ of many values. Was there a process you repeated over and over to find the sale prices? If so, describe it.

4. Select all of the expressions that could be used to find $80 \%$ of $x$. Be prepared to explain your reasoning.
$\frac{8}{100} \cdot x$
$\frac{8}{10} \cdot x$
$\frac{8}{5} \cdot x$
$80 \cdot x$
(0.8) • $x$
$\frac{80}{100} \cdot x$
$\frac{4}{10} \cdot x$
$\frac{4}{5} \cdot x$
$8 \cdot x$
(0.08) • $x$

## Lesson 15 Summary

To find $49 \%$ of a number, we can multiply the number by $\frac{49}{100}$ or 0.49 .


To find $135 \%$ of a number, we can multiply the number by $\frac{135}{100}$ or 1.35 .
To find $6 \%$ of a number, we can multiply the number by $\frac{6}{100}$ or 0.06 .


In general, to find $P \%$ of $x$, we can multiply:

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\frac{P}{100} \cdot x
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