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Exam Style Questions

Significant Figures



Equipment needed: Calculator, pen

Guidance

1. Read each question carefully before you begin answering it.
2. Check your answers seem right.
3. Always show your workings

Video Tutorial

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Answers and Video Solutions



1. Write 236 correct to one significant figure.



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(1)

2. Write 74.86 correct to 1 significant figure.



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(1)

3. Write 6793 correct to one significant figure.



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(1)

4. Write 24514 correct to one significant figure.



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(1)

5. Write 3540 correct to 2 significant figures.



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(1)

6. Write 17635 correct to two significant figures.



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(1)

7. (a) Write 506452 correct to two significant figures.



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(1)

(b) Write 506452 correct to three significant figures.

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(1)

8. Write 0.0683 correct to 1 significant figure.



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(1)

9. Write 0.1826 correct to 2 significant figures.



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(1)

10. (a) Round 41982 to one significant figure



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(1)

(b) Round 8812 to one significant figure

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(1)

(c) Round 0.0761 to one significant figure

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(1)

(d) Round 9.99 to one significant figure

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(1)

11. (a) Round 254 to 2 significant figures



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(1)

(b) Round 75301 to 2 significant figures

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(1)

(c) Round 0.0001921 to 2 significant figures

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(1)

12. (a) Round 0.709 to one significant figure



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(1)

(b) Round 84472 to three significant figures

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(1)

(c) Round 12490 to two significant figures

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(1)

(d) Round 5607012 to three significant figures

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(1)

(e) Round 0.123456 to four significant figures

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(1)

(f) Round 0.961 to one significant figure

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(1)

(g) Round 1782739 to four significant figures

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(1)

13. At a concert, there were 7819 fans.
In a newspaper article, 7819 was rounded to one significant figure



(a) Write 7819 to one significant figure.

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(1)

At the concert there were 3871 programmes sold.
The retailer rounded this number to two significant figures.

(b) Write 3871 to two significant figures.

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(1)

14.



827.4715

Holly has worked out the answer to a calculation.

Her teacher has told her to write all her answers to four significant figures.

Round her answer to four significant figures

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(1)

15. Use your calculator to work out



$$5.8^2 + 7.2^3$$

(a) Write down the full calculator display

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(1)

(b) Write your answer to 1 significant figure

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(1)

16. Calculate $\sqrt{62}$ correct to 2 significant figures.



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(2)

17. Use your calculator to work out the value of



$$\frac{2.12 \times 5.2}{9.21 - 2.8}$$

Write down your answer to three significant figures.

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(3)

18. Calculate



$$\frac{8.9}{9.1 \times 2.8^4}$$

(a) Write down your full calculator display.

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(1)

(b) Write your answer to 1 significant figure.

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(1)

19. Calculate



$$\frac{13.2 + 88.97}{2.6^3}$$

(a) Write down your full calculator display.

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(1)

(b) Write your answer to 2 significant figures.

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(1)

20.



$$\frac{183 + \sqrt{89}}{10.8 \times 992.75}$$

(a) Write down your full calculator display.

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(1)

(b) Write your answer to 4 significant figures.

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(1)

21. (a) Work out $13^2 \div 0.2^3$



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(1)

(b) Give your answer to one significant figure.

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(1)

22. In a box there are 300 sweets, correct to 1 significant figure.



(a) Write down the lowest possible number of sweets in the box.

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(1)

(b) Write down the greatest possible number of sweets in the box.

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(1)

23. The population of a city is 160000, correct to 3 significant figures.



(a) Write down the lowest possible population.

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(1)

(b) Write down the greatest possible population.

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(1)

24. Round 5.791×10^5 to two significant figures.



Give your answer as an ordinary number.

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(2)

25. Round 1.48×10^{-4} to one significant figure.



Give your answer as an ordinary number.

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(2)