

# **SKILL 14:** Estimating Percents

To estimate the percent of a number, think of numbers that are close to those given but more convenient to use.

## **Example 1**

Estimate 87.2% of 300.

Think: 87.2% is close to 90%, so find 90% of 300.

$$90\% \times 300 = \frac{9}{10} \times 300 = 270.$$

87.2% of 300 is about 270.

## **Example 2**

**Estimate 27% of 41.** 

Think: 27% is close to 25% and 41 is close to 40, so find 25% of 40.

$$25\% \times 40 = \frac{1}{4} \times 40 = 10$$

27% of 41 is about 10.

#### **Guided Practice**

Estimate. Show what numbers you used.

- **1.** 19% of 48 ↓
  - 20% of \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

**2.** 61.5% of 98

\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

- × =
- **3.** 76% of 27

\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

**4.** 97% of 325

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\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

- × =
- **5.** 2.2% of 517

\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

**6.** 32% of 18

\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

#### **SKILL 14:** Practice

Estimate each percent. Show what numbers you used.

**1.** 24.5% of 80

**2.** 30% of 19.7

**3.** 22% of 44.7

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

4. 61% of 15

**5.** 41% of 81.2

**6.** 47% of 89

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_

**7.** 9% of 82.3

8. 71% of 21

9. 76% of 17

\_\_\_\_× \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

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**10.** 13% of 16

**11.** 17% of 195

**12.** 34% of 46

\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

**13**. 85% of 603

**14.** 67% of 64

**15.** 4.3% of 600

\_\_\_\_ X \_\_\_ = \_\_\_ X \_\_\_ = \_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ × \_\_\_= \_\_\_

Tissue in the Human Body

The chart shows the percent of each type of tissue in the human body. Estimate the weight of each kind of tissue in a 120-pound person.

16. Muscle tissue

17. Supporting tissue

Muscle: 47%

18. Surface/gland tissue

**19.** A human body is about 65% water. Estimate the weight of the water in a 120-pound person.

Supporting: 33% Surface/gland: 10% Blood: 7% Nervous: 3%



**20.** Which is the best estimate for 41% of 79?

21. Find 65% of 8.

Skill 12

A 28

**C** 200

Skill 14

**F** 52 **G** 0.52 **H** 5.2 J 4.8

**B** 32

**D** 16