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Module 7 Ratio, Proportion, and Percent
Lesson 5 Percent Proportions

## Challenge Problems

## Set 1

1) Show two different ways to estimate $72 \%$ of 300 .


To estimate $22 \%$ of 480 , Jill found $20 \%$ of 480 , or 96 . Katy found $\frac{1}{4}$ of 480 , or 120 . Which estimate is closer to the actual answer? Explain.

## Set 2

1) Taylor found that $10 \%$ of 4,280 is 428 . How can Taylor use this fact to find $40 \%$ of 4,280 ? Explain.

Helen found that $10 \%$ of $\$ 90$ is $\$ 9$. How can Helen use this fact to calculate a $15 \%$ tip?

## Possible Answers

Set 1

1. One way is to round $72 \%$ to $70 \%$. Seventy percent of 300 is 210 . Another way is to round $\mathbf{7 2 \%}$ to $\mathbf{7 5 \%}$ and use the fraction equivalent of $\frac{3}{4}$.

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300 \times \frac{3}{4}=225
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2. Jill rounded $22 \%$ to $20 \%$. Katy rounded it to $\frac{1}{4}$, which is $25 \%$. Jill's estimate is closer to the actual answer because $22 \%$ is closer to $20 \%$ than to 25\%.

Set 2

1. Forty percent is equal to four times $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$. Taylor can take the number she found for $10 \%$ and multiply it by four. Forty percent of 4,280 is $4 \times 428$, or 1,712.
2. Fifteen percent of a number is the sum of $10 \%$ of the number and $5 \%$ of the number. Also, $5 \%$ is half of $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$. Ten percent of $\$ 90$ is $\$ 9$, so $5 \%$ is half of that: $\$ 4.50$. The tip is the sum: $\$ 9.00+\$ 4.50$, or $\$ 13.50$.
