

Profit and loss questions with answers

15 exam-shaped questions with full worked solutions.

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The questions

Work them on paper first. Full solutions start after question 15 — the numbering matches.

QUESTION 1

What is the selling price?

An article costs ₹500 and is sold at a profit of 12%.

- A. 60
 - B. 564
 - C. 560
 - D. 575
 - E. 574
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QUESTION 2

What is the loss percentage?

An article bought for ₹500 is sold for ₹440.

- A. 14
 - B. 12
 - C. 10
 - D. 7
 - E. 62
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QUESTION 3

What is the profit percentage?

An article bought for ₹1300 is sold for ₹1430.

- A. 30
 - B. 9
 - C. 7
 - D. 5
 - E. 10
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QUESTION 4

What is the selling price?

An article costs ₹4400 and is sold at a loss of 50%.

- A. 4450
 - B. 2200
 - C. 4400
 - D. 2212
 - E. 6600
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QUESTION 5**What is the profit percentage?**

An article bought for ₹800 is sold for ₹1120.

- A. 29
 - B. 45
 - C. 320
 - D. 54
 - E. 40
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QUESTION 6**What was the cost price?**

An article is sold for ₹11900, at a loss of 15%.

- A. 9800
 - B. 14000
 - C. 13685
 - D. 11900
 - E. 2100
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QUESTION 7**What does a customer actually pay?**

A jacket is marked at ₹1300. The shop allows a discount of 20%.

- A. 1040
 - B. 1560
 - C. 1300
 - D. 1053
 - E. 260
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QUESTION 8**What does a customer actually pay?**

A jacket is marked at ₹2800. The shop allows a discount of 5%.

- A. 140
 - B. 2660
 - C. 2653
 - D. 2650
 - E. 2800
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QUESTION 9**What was the cost price?**

An article is sold for ₹10000, at a profit of 25%.

- A. 2000
 - B. 7500
 - C. 10000
 - D. 12000
 - E. 8000
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QUESTION 10**What is the loss percentage?**

An article bought for ₹1800 is sold for ₹900.

- A. 100
 - B. 50
 - C. 45
 - D. 41
 - E. 42
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QUESTION 11**What was the cost price?**

An article is sold for ₹3200, at a loss of 20%.

- A. 2400
 - B. 3840
 - C. 3200
 - D. 800
 - E. 4000
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QUESTION 12**What is the loss percentage?**

An article bought for ₹10000 is sold for ₹9000.

- A. 5
 - B. 10
 - C. 3
 - D. 30
 - E. 11
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QUESTION 13**What is the profit percentage?**

An article bought for ₹400 is sold for ₹600.

- A. 33
 - B. 50
 - C. 45
 - D. 42
 - E. 200
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QUESTION 14**What is the selling price?**

An article costs ₹1300 and is sold at a loss of 10%.

- A. 1160
 - B. 130
 - C. 1168
 - D. 1170
 - E. 1165
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QUESTION 15**What does a customer actually pay?**

A jacket is marked at ₹7600. The shop allows a discount of 5%.

- A. 7220
 - B. 7600
 - C. 380
 - D. 7980
 - E. 7230
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Answers and worked solutions

Each walkthrough is the engine's own elimination order, step for step — not a reconstruction written after the fact.

SOLUTION 1

Answer: **560**

1. Profit = 12% of ₹500 = ₹60.
 2. SP = ₹500 + ₹60 = ₹560.
 3. Answer: 560.
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SOLUTION 2

Answer: **12**

1. Loss = ₹500 – ₹440 = ₹60.
 2. Percentage = ₹60 ÷ ₹500 × 100 = 12% — divide by the COST price.
 3. Answer: 12.
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SOLUTION 3

Answer: **10**

1. Profit = ₹1430 – ₹1300 = ₹130.
 2. Percentage = ₹130 ÷ ₹1300 × 100 = 10% — divide by the COST price.
 3. Answer: 10.
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SOLUTION 4

Answer: **2200**

1. Loss = 50% of ₹4400 = ₹2200.
 2. SP = ₹4400 – ₹2200 = ₹2200.
 3. Answer: 2200.
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SOLUTION 5

Answer: **40**

1. Profit = ₹1120 – ₹800 = ₹320.
 2. Percentage = ₹320 ÷ ₹800 × 100 = 40% — divide by the COST price.
 3. Answer: 40.
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SOLUTION 6

Answer: **14000**

1. A loss of 15% means SP = 85% of CP.
 2. So CP = ₹11900 × 100 ÷ 85 = ₹14000 — the percentage is always on COST price, never on the selling price.
 3. Answer: 14000.
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SOLUTION 7

Answer: **1040**

1. Discount = 20% of ₹1300 = ₹260.
 2. Amount paid = ₹1300 – ₹260 = ₹1040 — the discount is the reduction, not the price.
 3. Answer: 1040.
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SOLUTION 8

Answer: **2660**

1. Discount = 5% of ₹2800 = ₹140.
 2. Amount paid = ₹2800 – ₹140 = ₹2660 — the discount is the reduction, not the price.
 3. Answer: 2660.
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SOLUTION 9

Answer: **8000**

1. A profit of 25% means SP = 125% of CP.
 2. So CP = ₹10000 × 100 ÷ 125 = ₹8000 — the percentage is always on COST price, never on the selling price.
 3. Answer: 8000.
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SOLUTION 10

Answer: **50**

1. Loss = ₹1800 – ₹900 = ₹900.
 2. Percentage = ₹900 ÷ ₹1800 × 100 = 50% — divide by the COST price.
 3. Answer: 50.
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SOLUTION 11

Answer: **4000**

1. A loss of 20% means SP = 80% of CP.
 2. So CP = ₹3200 × 100 ÷ 80 = ₹4000 — the percentage is always on COST price, never on the selling price.
 3. Answer: 4000.
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SOLUTION 12

Answer: **10**

1. Loss = ₹10000 – ₹9000 = ₹1000.
 2. Percentage = ₹1000 ÷ ₹10000 × 100 = 10% — divide by the COST price.
 3. Answer: 10.
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SOLUTION 13

Answer: **50**

1. Profit = ₹600 – ₹400 = ₹200.
 2. Percentage = ₹200 ÷ ₹400 × 100 = 50% — divide by the COST price.
 3. Answer: 50.
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SOLUTION 14

Answer: **1170**

1. Loss = 10% of ₹1300 = ₹130.
 2. SP = ₹1300 – ₹130 = ₹1170.
 3. Answer: 1170.
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SOLUTION 15

Answer: **7220**

1. Discount = 5% of ₹7600 = ₹380.
2. Amount paid = ₹7600 – ₹380 = ₹7220 — the discount is the reduction, not the price.
3. Answer: 7220.

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