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# Unitary Method

There are 2 simple rules of this method :

1. To find the value of one when we have the value of many, we divide.
2. To find the value of many when we have the value of one, we multiply.

## FINDING THE VALUE OF MANY WHEN THE VALUE OF ONE IS GIVEN

### Solved Examples

**Example 1:** Suppose you have to buy 4 chocolates and you want to know that how much they will cost. You ask for the price of one chocolate and from that you can calculate the cost of 4 chocolates. The cost of one chocolate is ₹5.

**Solution:** Clearly, the cost of more chocolates, will be more, therefore, we multiply.

So, if you know the price of one thing, you can find the total price of a given number of things.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{The cost of 4 chocolates} &= \text{The cost of 1 chocolate} \times 4 \\ &= ₹5 \times 4 \\ &= ₹20 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the cost of 4 chocolates is ₹20.

**Example 2:** The cost of 1 bag is ₹20. Find the cost of 4 such bags.

**Solution:** Cost of 1 bag = ₹20

We must multiply the cost of 1 bag by the number of bags.

$$\therefore \text{Cost of 4 bags} = ₹20 \times 4 = ₹80$$

Thus, the cost of 4 bags is ₹80.

Knowing the price of a thing, we can find the price of given number of things of the same price.

## FINDING THE VALUE OF ONE WHEN THE VALUE OF MANY IS GIVEN

### Solved Examples

**Example 1:** If the shopkeeper tells you that a dozen pencils cost ₹24, how much will you have to pay for a single pencil ?

**Solution:** We know, 1 dozen = 12

$$\text{Cost of 12 pencils} = ₹24$$

Knowing the value of many we can find the value of one by dividing the value of the given number of objects by the number of objects.

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \text{Cost of 1 pencil} &= ₹24 \div 12 \\ &= ₹2 \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the cost of 1 pencil is ₹2.

**Example 2:** The cost of 12 pens is ₹60. Find the cost of 16 pens.

**Solution :** Here, we must combine both methods of division and multiplication:

$$\therefore \text{Cost of 12 pens} = ₹60$$

$$\therefore \text{Cost of 1 pen} = ₹60 \div 12 = ₹5$$

$$\therefore \text{Cost of 16 pens} = ₹5 \times 16 = ₹80$$

Thus, the cost of 16 pens is ₹80.

## EXERCISE

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Use the unitary method to solve the following:

The cost of 4 notebooks is ₹60. What is the cost of 1 notebook?  $₹60 \div 4 = ₹15$

If one pencil box costs ₹22, how much do 15 such pencil boxes cost?  $₹22 \times 15 = ₹330$

Four cakes of soap weigh 692 grams. What is the weight of 1 cake of soap?  $692g \div 4 = 173g$

A car goes 250 km in 5 hours. How far does it go in 1 hour?  $250km \div 5 \text{ hours} = 50km/hr$

A bottle contains 200 ml of ghee. Rekha bought 5 such bottles. How much ghee did she buy?  $200ml \times 5 = 1000ml$

If the price of a packet of potato chips is ₹5, what is the price of a dozen packets of potato chips?  $₹5 \times 12 = ₹60$  (1 dozen = 12)

The cost of 6 litres of petrol is ₹210. What is the cost of 1 litre petrol?  $₹210 \div 6 \text{ litres} = ₹35/l$

A factory can make 620 bicycles in 4 days. How many bicycles can the factory make in 12 days?  $620 \div 4 = 155$  bicycles/day  $155 \times 12 = 1860$  bicycles in 12 days.

The train fare from Patna to Delhi for 2 passengers is ₹560. What will be the fare for 5 passengers?  $₹560 \div 2 = ₹280/\text{passenger}$   $₹280 \times 5 = ₹1400$  for 5 passengers.

The cost of a packet containing a dozen birthday cards is ₹144. Find the cost of 6 such birthday cards.  $₹144 \div 12 = ₹12$   $₹12 \times 6 = ₹72$

## MORE TO DO

Tick (✓) the correct answer:

1. To find the value of many items, knowing the value of one we need to-

(a) add

(b) subtract

(c)  multiply

(d) divide

2. To find the value of one item, knowing the value of many items of the same kind we need to-
- (a) add                      (b) subtract                      (c) multiply                      (d)  divide
3. If the cost of an envelope is ₹ 2, then the cost of 12 such envelopes is-
- (a) ₹ 20                      (b)  ₹ 24  $(12 \times 2 = 24)$                       (c) ₹ 40                      (d) ₹ 36
4. The cost of a dozen bananas is ₹ 24. The cost of 6 bananas will be-
- (a) ₹ 22                      (b) ₹ 18                      (c)  ₹ 12  $(24 \div 2 = 12)$                       (d) none of these
5. If the cost of 18 CDs is ₹ 270, then the cost of 20 CDs is-
- (a)  ₹ 300                      (b) ₹ 500                      (c) ₹ 210                      (d) none of these

II. Write (T) for True and (F) for False in the boxes :

- (a) The cost of 3 apples is ₹ 9, if the cost of each apple is ₹ 6.  F
- (b) Cost of 7 shirts is ₹ 4585. Cost of 2 shirts is ₹ 1310.  T
- (c) If a bus can carry 82 passengers, then 4 buses can carry 328 passengers.  T
- (d) A train covers 1008 km in 6 hours. It will go 160 km in 1 hr if it moves uniformly.  F
- (e) The share of each child is 4 chocolates if 168 chocolates are divided among 42 children.  T

1. If we know the cost of 50 medicines, can we find the cost of 14 medicines ?
2. 30 erasers are to be sold. The cost of 98 erasers is ₹ 196. Find the cost of 30 erasers.
3. A train travels 950 km in 5 hours. How much time will it take to travel 380 km.

Puzzle Time