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Topic: Statistics



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1. Do you think \_\_\_\_\_ of people visit *BBC Learning English* from home, school or work?

- a) most
- b) the most
- c) majority
- d) the majority

2. Which word is NOT correct? Did you know \_\_\_\_\_ 20,000 books were lost on the London underground last year?

- a) exactly
- b) just over
- c) around
- d) about

3. Did you know water forms 50 \_\_\_\_\_ 60% of your body weight?

- a) to
- b) at
- c) from
- d) a

4. Which of the following is the odd one out?

- a) a third
- b) 33%
- c) a half
- d) 1 in 3

5. After a dramatic rise in house prices last year, this year saw the trend reverse when prices actually \_\_\_\_\_ slightly.

- a) fall
- b) fell
- c) felt
- d) fallen

6. Which word is the odd one out? The number of students passing the exam \_\_\_\_\_ dramatically.

- a) increased
- b) rose
- c) went up
- d) declined

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1. Do you think \_\_\_\_\_ of people visit *BBC Learning English* from home, school or work?

- a) most
- b) the most
- c) majority
- d) the majority**

- a) 'Most of people' is not correct – you need to say 'most people...'
- b) 'The most of people' is not correct – you need to say 'most people...'
- c) 'Majority of people...' is not correct.

**d) You could also say 'the vast majority of people...'**

2. Which word is NOT correct? Did you know \_\_\_\_\_ 20,000 books were lost on the London underground last year?

- a) exactly**
- b) just over
- c) around
- d) about

**a) Use 'exactly' to say something is not 'more or less' but precisely this number.**

- b) Which word expresses a figure which is not exact or precise?
- c) Which word expresses a figure which is not exact or precise?
- d) Which word expresses a figure which is not exact or precise?

3. Did you know water forms 50 \_\_\_\_\_ 60% of your body weight?

- a) to**
- b) at
- c) from
- d) a

**a) We write 50 – 60% and say 'fifty to sixty percent'**

- b) We write 50 – 60%, but how do we say it?
- c) We write 50 – 60%, but how do we say it?
- d) We write 50 – 60%, but how do we say it?

4. Which of the following is the odd one out?

- a) a third
- b) 33%
- c) a half**
- d) 1 in 3

- a) Which word is a fraction which describes more than a third?
- b) Which word is a fraction which describes more than 33%?

**c) You could also say 50% or 1 in 2.**

- d) Which word is a fraction which describes more than 1 in 3?

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5. After a dramatic rise in house prices last year, this year saw the trend reverse when prices actually \_\_\_\_\_ slightly.

- a) fall
- b) fell**
- c) felt
- d) fallen

a) What's the past tense of the verb 'to fall'?

**b) This is the past tense of the verb 'fall'.**

c) This is the past of the verb 'feel'. What's the past tense of the verb 'to fall'?

d) This is the past participle of the verb 'fall'. What's the past tense?

6. Which word is the odd one out? The number of students passing the exam \_\_\_\_\_ dramatically.

- a) increased
- b) rose
- c) went up
- d) declined**

a) 'Increased' means the same as 'rose' or 'went up'. Which word means the opposite i.e. 'decreased' or 'went down'?

b) 'Rose' means the same as 'increased' or 'went up'. Which word means the opposite i.e. 'decreased' or 'went down'?

c) 'Went up' means the same as 'increased' or 'rose'. Which word means the opposite i.e. 'decreased' or 'went down'?

**d) 'Declined' means 'decreased' or 'went down'; the others mean the opposite.**