

Grade 8 Mathematics Worksheet

Fractions and percentages

Questions:

1. Sandra wants to copy her music files onto her IPod which can store 40Mb of data. She has the following files to store:

File	Size in kilobytes (kB)
Α	3 280
В	2 428
С	15 280
D	19 875

^{*1}MB = 1 024kB

- a) Will she be able to fit all this data on her IPod? Explain.
- b) What percentage of the IPod will file C take up? (to the nearest %)



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Solution

1. a) Total kilobytes: 3 280 + 2 428 + 15 280 + 19 875 = 40 863kb In Megabytes:

$$\frac{40863}{1024}Mb = 39,91Mb$$

She will just be able to fit the data on her iPod. There will be 97kB left over.

b)
$$\frac{15280}{1024}Mb = 14,922Mb$$
. So then the fraction of space taken up by file C will be:
$$\frac{14,922}{40} \times 100 = 0,37305 \times 100 = 37\%$$

The choice is left to the learner to work in kilobytes or to work in megabytes.