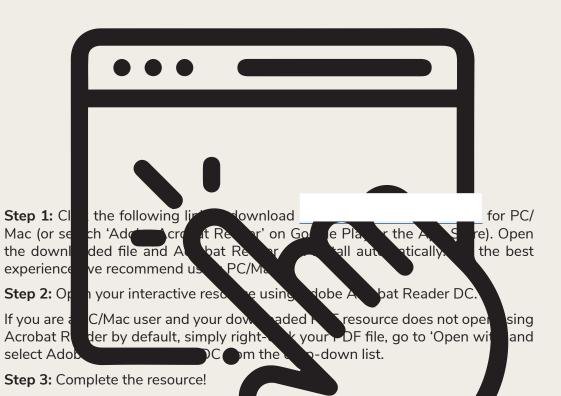
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20 100 - 18 400 = \$1700

Next, form a fraction by using the "change" (\$1700) as the numerator and the original value as the denominator (\$18 400):

<u>1700</u> 18 400

Now, multiply the fraction by 100 to convert it to a percentage:

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Change = 145 - 100 = \$45Percentage loss = $\frac{Change}{Original} \times 100$ Percentage loss = $\frac{45}{145} \times 100$ Percentage loss = **31.0% (1d.p.)**

Your Turn

Section 1

Fill in the table below to show the percentage change from the original value to its new value, giving your answers correct to the nearest whole number. The first one has been completed for you.

Original Value	New Value	Percentage Change
379	425	12% increase
5650	6000	
45	50	
10 700	8000	
3000	3450	
350	275	
5	2	
15	25	
22	15	

Section 2

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- 2. In January, a puppy weighed 4kg. Three months later, the same puppy weighed 5kg. What was the percentage increase in the puppy's weight?
- 3. A piece is cut from a 130cm length of wood so that the remaining length is 104cm. What percentage of the wood has been cut off?
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80 - 52 = \$28 $\frac{28}{80} \times 100 = 35\%$

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5 - 4 = 1 kg $\frac{1}{4} \times 100 = 25\%$

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130 - 104 = 26cm $\frac{26}{130} \times 100 = 20\%$

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315 - 300 = 15 $\frac{15}{300} \times 100 = 5\%$ 5. A piece of art was bought for \$600. Six months later, it was sold for \$675. What percentage profit did the seller make?

675 - 600 = \$75 $\frac{75}{600} \times 100 = 12.5\%$

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1200 - 800 = \$400 <u>400</u> × 100 = 33% (2s.f.)

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8000 - 5500 = \$2500 <u>2500</u> × 100 = 31.25%

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Let an item have a cost price of \$100.

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10% reduction in price: 0.9 × 160 = \$144

144 - 100 = 44

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10 × 0.85 = 8.5cm

 $35 \times 8.5 = 297.5 \text{cm}^2$

500 - 297.5 = 202.5cm²

<u>202.5</u> × 100 = 40.5% decrease.

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