Terms used in profit and loss problems:

1. Cost price $=(C P)$
2. $\quad$ Selling price $=(S P)$
3. If $S P-C P>0$, then seller is said to have a profit or gain.
4. If $\mathrm{SP}-\mathrm{CP}<0$, then seller is said to have a Loss.
5. Loss or gain always depend upon Cost price(CP).

## IMPORTANT FORMULA:

(i) Gain = SP-CP
(ii) Loss= CP-SP
(iii) Gain percentage $=\left(\frac{\text { gain }}{C P} \times 100\right) \%$
(iv)Loss percentage $=\left(\frac{\text { loss }}{C P} \times 100\right) \%$
(v) $\mathrm{CP}=\left(\frac{100}{100+\text { gain } \%} \times \mathrm{SP}\right)$ or $\mathrm{CP}=\left(\frac{100}{100-\text { loss } \%} \times \mathrm{SP}\right)$
(vi) $\mathrm{SP}=\left(\frac{100+\text { gain } \%}{100} \times \mathrm{CP}\right)$ or $\mathrm{SP}=\left(\frac{100-\text { loss } \%}{100} \times \mathrm{CP}\right)$
(vii) If an article is sold at a gain of say $20 \%$, then S.P. $=120 \%$ of C.P.
(viii) If an article is sold at a loss of say, $20 \%$ then S.P. $=80 \%$ of C.P.
(ix) When a person sells an item to two customers, one at a gain of $x \%$, and the other at a loss of $x \%$, then the seller always incurs a loss given by: $\left(\frac{x}{10}\right)^{2}$

## SOLVED PROBLEMS ON PROFIT AND LOSS

1. Arun buys an old scooter for Rs. 4700 and spends Rs. 800 on its repairs. If he sells the scooter for Rs. 5800, find his gain percent.
Solution: Given
Total cost price $=(4700+800)=$ Rs. 5500
Selling price (SP)=5800
We know that,
Gain=SP-CP =5800-5500
=Rs. 300
$\therefore$ gain percent $=\left(\frac{\text { gain }}{\boldsymbol{C P}} \times 100\right) \%$

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\begin{aligned}
& =\left(\frac{300}{5500} \times 100\right) \% \\
& =\frac{60}{11} \%
\end{aligned}
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2. A man buys a cycle for Rs. 1400 and sells it at a loss of $15 \%$. What is the selling price of the cycle?

## Solution:

Given,
CP=Rs. 1400
Loss\% =15
$\mathrm{SP}=$ ?
We know that

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\begin{aligned}
\text { SP } & =\left(\frac{100-\text { loss } \%}{100} \times \mathrm{CP}\right) \\
& =\frac{100-15}{100} \times 1400 \\
& =\frac{85}{100} \times 1400 \\
& =\text { Rs. } 1190
\end{aligned}
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Therefore selling price of the cycle is Rs. 1190
3. In a certain store, the profit is $320 \%$ of the cost. If the cost increases by $25 \%$ but the selling price remains constant, what percentage of the selling price is the profit?
Solution:
Let CP =Rs. 100
Given, profit=320\%
$\therefore \mathrm{SP}=(320+100)=420$
Again, CP increased by 25\%
$\therefore$ New CP=125
Profit $=$ SP-CP $=420-125=$ Rs. 295 (SP remain constant)
Now we have to find profit percentage with respect to selling price(SP)
Required percentage $=\left(\frac{295}{420} \times 100\right) \%$

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\begin{gathered}
=\frac{1475}{21} \% \\
=70.2 \%
\end{gathered}
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$\therefore$ Required Percentage $=70.2 \%$

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4. The cost price of 20 articles is the same as the selling price of $x$ articles. If the profit is $25 \%$, then find the value of $x$.
Solution:
Given,
CP of $x$ article $=$ SP of 20 article
$\Rightarrow$ SP. $x=\mathrm{CP} \times 20$
$\Rightarrow x=\frac{C P}{S P} \times 20$
Again,
Profit\% $=\frac{S P-C P}{C P} \times 100$
$\Rightarrow 25=\left(\frac{S P}{C P}-1\right) \times 100$
$\Rightarrow \frac{25}{100}+1=\frac{S P}{C P}$
$\Rightarrow \frac{125}{100}=\frac{S P}{C P}$
$\therefore \frac{C P}{S P}=\frac{\mathbf{1 0 0}}{125}$
From (i) we get $\boldsymbol{x}=\frac{\mathbf{1 0 0}}{\mathbf{1 2 5}} \times \mathbf{2 0}$

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\begin{gathered}
=\frac{2000}{125} \\
=16
\end{gathered}
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$\therefore x=16$

5. Sam purchased 20 dozens of toys at the rate of Rs. 375 per dozen. He sold each one of them at the rate of Rs. 33. What was his percentage profit?

## Solution :

Given,
CP Of 12 toy $=375$
CP of 1 toy $=\frac{375}{12}=31.25$
SP of 1 toy=Rs. 33
Gain = SP-CP
=33-31.24
$=1.75$
$\therefore$ gain $\%=\left(\frac{\boldsymbol{g a i n}}{\boldsymbol{C P}} \times 100\right)=\frac{\mathbf{1 . 7 5}}{\mathbf{3 1 . 2 5}} \times 100=5.6 \%$
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6. If selling price is doubled, the profit triples. Find the profit percent.

## Solution:

Let
$\mathrm{CP}=\boldsymbol{x}, \quad \mathrm{SP}=\boldsymbol{y}$
Profit $=\boldsymbol{y}-\boldsymbol{x}-\boldsymbol{x}^{------ \text {(i) }}$
When $\mathrm{SP}=\mathbf{2} \boldsymbol{y}$, New Profit $=3(\boldsymbol{y}-\boldsymbol{x}$
But, profit $=$ SP-CP
$\Rightarrow 3(y-x)=2 y-x \quad$ (new selling price and new profit)
$\Rightarrow \mathrm{y}=2 x$-------(ii)
$\therefore$ (i) $\Rightarrow$ Profit $=\boldsymbol{y}-\boldsymbol{x}$

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\begin{aligned}
& =2 x-x \quad \text { (putting the value of } y \text { ) } \\
& =x
\end{aligned}
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Now, Profit percent $=\left(\frac{\text { profit }}{\boldsymbol{C P}} \times 100\right) \%$

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\begin{aligned}
& =\left(\frac{x}{x} \times 100\right) \% \\
& =100 \%
\end{aligned}
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7. The percentage profit earned by selling an article for Rs. 1920 is equal to the percentage loss incurred by selling the same article for Rs. 1280. At what price should the article be sold to make $25 \%$ profit?

## Solution:

## Let

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C P=x
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Here, when SP=1920, the seller gains

## When SP=1280, the seller incurred loss

$\therefore$ Profit percent $=\frac{p r o f i t}{C P} \times 100$

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=\frac{1920-x}{x} \times 100 \quad(\text { profit }=\text { SP-CP })
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Loss percentage $=\frac{\boldsymbol{l o s s}}{\boldsymbol{C P}} \times 100$

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=\frac{x-1280}{C P} \times 100
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According to question, $\left(\frac{1920-x}{x} \times 100\right)=\left(\frac{x-1280}{x} \times 100\right)$

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\begin{aligned}
& \Rightarrow 1920-x=x-1280 \\
& \Rightarrow 2 x=3200 \\
& \Rightarrow x=1600 \\
& \therefore C P=\text { Rs. } 1600
\end{aligned}
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But, we have,
If the profit is $25 \%$, than $\mathrm{SP}=125 \%$ of CP

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\begin{aligned}
& =\frac{125}{100} \times 1600 \\
& =2000
\end{aligned}
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Therefore to get $25 \%$ profit the article should be sell at Rs. 2000.

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8. On selling 17 balls at Rs. 720 , there is a loss equal to the cost price of 5 balls. Find the cost price of a ball?

## Solution:

Let CP of 1 ball $=\boldsymbol{x}$
$\therefore$ Cp of 17 ball $=17 x$
Cp of 5 balls $=5 x$
Given SP of 17 balls $=$ Rs. 720
Now , CP-SP = Loss

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\begin{aligned}
& \Rightarrow 17 x-720=5 x \\
& \Rightarrow 12 x=720 \\
& \Rightarrow x=\frac{\sigma}{120}=60
\end{aligned}
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Price of one ball=Rs. 60
9. A shopkeeper expects a gain of $22.5 \%$ on his cost price. If in a week, his sale was of Rs. 392 , what was his profit?

## Solution:

Given,

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\text { gain } \%=22.5, \mathrm{SP}=392, \mathrm{CP}=\text { ? Profit }=\text { ? }
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We know that,

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\begin{aligned}
\mathrm{CP} & =\left(\frac{100}{100+\text { gain } \%} \times \mathrm{SP}\right) \\
\Rightarrow \mathrm{CP} & =\frac{100}{100+22.5} \times 392 \\
& =\frac{100}{122.5} \times 392 \\
& =\frac{100}{12225} \times 365 \\
& 49 \\
= & \frac{2240}{7} \\
= & 320
\end{aligned}
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$\therefore$ Profit $=$ SP-CP

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\begin{aligned}
& =392-320 \\
& =\text { Rs. } 72
\end{aligned}
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10. When a plot is sold for Rs. 18,700, the owner loses $15 \%$. At what price must that plot be sold in order to gain $15 \%$ ?
Solution:
Given,
SP=Rs. 18700
Loss\%=15
CP=?
We have to find SP for gain of $15 \%$
We know that,

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\begin{aligned}
& \mathbf{C P}=\left(\frac{100}{100-\text { loss }^{2}} \times \mathbf{S P}\right) \\
& \frac{20}{1100} \\
&=\frac{180}{85} \times 18700 \\
& 177 \\
&= 22000
\end{aligned}
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Now for gain of $15 \%$

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\begin{aligned}
\text { SP } & =\left(\frac{100+\text { gain } \%}{100} \times \mathbf{C P}\right) \\
& =\left(\frac{115}{160} \times 22000\right) \\
& =25300
\end{aligned}
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Therefore plot must be sell at Rs. 25300.

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