Topic: Calculating with Percentages

Topic/Skill	Definition/Tips	Example
1. Increase or Decrease by a Percentage	Non-calculator: **Find the percentage** and **add** or **subtract** it from the **original** amount. Calculator: Find the **percentage multiplier** and multiply.	<u>Increase 500 by 20% (Non Calc):</u> 10% of 500 = 50 so 20% of 500 = 100 500 + 100 = 600 <u>Decrease 800 by 17% (Calc):</u> 100%-17%=83% 83% ÷ 100 = 0.83 0.83 x 800 = 664
2. Percentage Multiplier	The **number** you **multiply** a quantity by to **increase or decrease** it by a **percentage**.	The multiplier for increasing by 12% is 1.12 The multiplier for decreasing by 12% is 0.88 The multiplier for increasing by 100% is 2.
3. Reverse Percentage	Find the **correct percentage given in the question**, then work backwards to **find 100%** Look out for words like '**before**' or '**original**'	A jumper was priced at £48.60 after a 10% reduction. Find its original price. 100% - 10% = 90% 90% = £48.60 1% = £0.54 100% = £54
4. Simple Interest	Interest calculated as a **percentage of the original** amount.	£1000 invested for 3 years at 10% simple interest. 10% of £1000 = £100 Interest = $3 \times £100 = £300$