

Rounding, Bounds and Error Intervals (H)

A collection of 9-1 Maths GCSE Sample and Specimen questions from AQA, OCR, Pearson-Edexcel and WJEC Eduqas.

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1. (a) Mia cycled 23 km, correct to the nearest km.

What is the least distance Mia could have cycled?

$$23\text{km} \rightarrow \text{UB } 23.5$$

$$\rightarrow \text{LB } 22.5$$

(a) 22.5 km [1]

- (b) A number x , rounded to one decimal place, is 4.7.

So the error interval for x is given by $4.65 \leq x < 4.75$.

- (i) A number y , rounded to two decimal places, is 4.13. $\rightarrow \text{UB} = 4.135$
 $\rightarrow \text{LB} = 4.125$

Write down the error interval for y .

(b)(i) $4.125 \leq y < 4.135$ [2]

- (ii) A number z , rounded to two significant figures, is 4700.

Write down the error interval for z .

$$4700 \rightarrow \text{UB } 4750$$

$$\rightarrow \text{LB } 4650$$

(ii) $4650 \leq z < 4750$ [2]

2. (a) Round 27 146 correct to

- (i) the nearest ten,

$$27\,146$$

(i) 27150 [1]

- (ii) the nearest thousand.

(ii) 27000 [1]

- (b) The width of a bench, b is 984.8 cm correct to one decimal place.

Write down the error interval for the width of the bench.

$$984.8 \rightarrow 984.85$$

$$\rightarrow 984.75$$

(b) $984.75 \leq b < 984.85$ [2]

3. Round 162.645

(i) to 1 decimal place,

(i) 162.6 [1]

(ii) to 2 significant figures.

(ii) $160.$ [1]

4. Find p if $p^3 = 37$.

Give your answer correct to 2 decimal places.

$$p = \sqrt[3]{37} = 3.33222185$$

3.33 [2]

5. Write 2148 correct to the nearest 100

2100 [1]

6. Write 6819 to the nearest 1000

7000 [1]

7. Jim rounds a number, x , to one decimal place.

The result is 7.2

Write down the error interval for x .

$$7.2 \begin{matrix} \nearrow 7.25 \\ \searrow 7.15 \end{matrix}$$

$7.15 \leq x < 7.25$ [2]

8. $x = 2500$ to the nearest 100

Circle the smallest possible value of x .

$$2500 \begin{matrix} \nearrow 2550 \\ \searrow 2450 \end{matrix}$$

[1]

2449 2450 2495 2499

9. (a) Write 2187 correct to the nearest 10.

2190

[1]

(b) Write 54 478 correct to the nearest 1000.

$54,000$

[1]

10. Write 4.4354 correct to 2 decimal places

..... 4.44 [1]

11. Write the number 5689 correct to the nearest thousand.

..... 6000 [1]

12. The length, L cm, of a line is measured as 13 cm correct to the nearest centimetre.

Complete the following statement to show the range of possible values of L

..... 12.5 $\leq L <$ 13.5 [2]

13. Paul won a race with a time of 71.3 seconds.

This time, t , is to the nearest tenth of a second.

Complete the error interval due to rounding.

Answer 71.25 $\leq t <$ 71.35 [2]

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Links:

AQA <http://www.aqa.org.uk/subjects/mathematics/gcse/mathematics-8300>

OCR <http://ocr.org.uk/gcsemaths>

Pearson Edexcel <http://qualifications.pearson.com/en/qualifications/edexcel-gcses/mathematics-2015.html>

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