***Remember!** The % sign represents "per 100."

To express a percent as a fraction:

- a) Drop the percent sign and write the percent as a fraction with a denominator of 100.
- b) Simplify the fraction.

> Example 1

5%

Solution $5\% = \frac{5}{100} = \frac{5 \div 5}{100 \div 5} = \frac{1}{20}$

Example 2 150%

Solution $150\% = \frac{150}{100} = \frac{150 \div 50}{100 \div 50} = \frac{3}{2}$

> Example 3 72.5%

> Solution $72.5\% = \frac{72.5}{100} = \frac{725}{1000} = \frac{725 \div 25}{1000 \div 25} = \frac{29}{40}$

Try Some! Write each percent as a fraction in simplest form.

1. 80% 6. 40%

2. 12.5% 7. 180%

3. 1.8% 8. 37.5%

4. 1% 9. 35%

5. 48%

10.130%