

**Significant Figures Worksheet 1**  
**Chemistry**

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Period** \_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

1. a. 62.001 The first sig fig is the \_\_\_ and the last is the \_\_\_\_\_. There are \_\_\_ sig figs.  
b. 640 The first sig fig is the \_\_\_ and the last is the \_\_\_\_\_. There are \_\_\_ sig figs.  
c. 200.0 The first sig fig is the \_\_\_ and the last is the \_\_\_\_\_. There are \_\_\_ sig figs.  
d. 0.040 02 The first sig fig is the \_\_\_ and the last is the \_\_\_\_\_. There are \_\_\_ sig figs.  
e. 1400. The first sig fig is the \_\_\_ and the last is the \_\_\_\_\_. There are \_\_\_ sig figs.

2. How many sig figs are in these numbers?

- a. 0.5200            b. 1.005            c. 10,000            d. 20.900  
e. 0.000 000 56    f. 790,001            g. 665.000            h. 0.010 000 060 500 910

3. A student has 860 mL of juice. She wants to give juice to seven people. How much juice does each student get?

860 mL / 7 people = Calculator answer \_\_\_\_\_

rounded answer = \_\_\_\_\_

4. You have a rectangular soccer field that is 161 feet long and 71 feet across. What is its area in square feet?

To solve this you multiply 161 ft  $\times$  71 ft. Your calculator gives you \_\_\_\_\_.

But, the number 161 has \_\_\_ sig figs and 71 has \_\_\_\_, so the answer can only have 2 sig figs. The answer, after rounding, should be \_\_\_\_\_.

5. Perform the following calculations and express the result with the correct number of significant figures. (Assume all numbers are *measurements*)

- a. 47.0 / 2.2                            b. 140  $\times$  35  
c. 5.88 / 220                            d. 0.0050  $\times$  0.042

6. An empty truck weighs 14,000 kg. A broken car weighs 590 kg. What is the weight of the truck with the car inside?

The calculator answer would be \_\_\_\_\_.

14,000 kg has its last sig fig in the \_\_\_\_\_ place, and 590 kg has it in the \_\_\_\_\_ place.

Therefore, the answer should have its last sig fig in the \_\_\_\_\_ place. It should be rounded off and become \_\_\_\_\_.

7. More for you. Lucky you. Note: it helps to rewrite the problem and line up the decimal points like in “a.”

a.  $22.0$   
 $+ 5.28$

b.  $0.042 + 1.229$

c.  $28 - 5.55$

d.  $0.086 - 0.39$

e.  $170 + 3.5$

f.  $170. + 3.5$

g.  $170.0 + 3.5$

h.  $170.00 + 3.5$

i.  $200 + 325 - 688$

j.  $0.003 + 0.0048 + 0.100$

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### Selected Answers

1. a. 6, 1, 5sf    b. 6, 4, 2sf    c. 2,0 (the last 0), 4sf    d. 4, 2, 4sf  
e. 1, 0 (the last 0), 3. Note: This is how you write that you actually mean 1400 as in between 1399.5 and 1401.5, by putting in a decimal point. So writing 1400. means 4 sig figs while writing 1400 means only 2 sig figs.

2. a.2    b.4    c.1    d.5  
e. 2    f.6    g.6    h.14

1. We should round the answer 122.8571429 to 120 mL/ person and record that as our answer instead.

2. Answer should be 11,000 square feet.

5. a. 21    b. 4900    c. 2.7  
d. 0.000 21

6. 14,590; 1000's, 10's, 1000's, 15,000 kg

7. a.27.3    b.1.271    c.22  
d. -0.30    e.170    f.174  
g. 173.5    h.173.5    i.2800  
j. 0.108