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An Unofficial Census



In 1991, author Tom Heymann took an unofficial U.S. census. The table shows how many people believed various common sayings, based on the sample of the population that he surveyed.

	Saying	Number Who Believe Saying Is True
A	Look before you leap.	175,104,000
B	The grass is always greener on the other side of the fence.	69,312,000
C	Haste makes waste.	153,216,000
D	Beauty is only skin deep.	149,568,000
E	Don't cry over spilled milk.	160,512,000
F	The early bird catches the worm.	136,800,000
G	A penny saved is a penny earned.	155,040,000
H	Don't count your chickens before they hatch.	169,632,000

Source: *The Unofficial U.S. Census*, by Tom Heymann. Ballantine Books, 1991

- Which saying had the largest number of believers? _____
- How many more people believed saying E than saying G? _____
- Which saying had about 100 million more believers than saying B? _____
- About $\frac{7}{10}$ of the U.S. population in 1991 believed saying A to be true. What was the total population? _____
 - About what percent of the total population believed saying F to be true? _____

Practice

$$\begin{array}{r} 5. \quad 256 \\ - 148 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 6. \quad 26,551 \\ + 2,558 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 7. \quad 36 \\ * 27 \\ \hline \end{array}$$



$$8. \quad 54 \div 3 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$9. \quad 74 \div 8 \rightarrow \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$