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## Graduated Commission

Vocab:

Graduated Commission -

you earn money based on what you sell, but this is a tiered system to encourage sales

0 - \$2000	5%
\$2000 - \$10000	10%
above \$10000	15%

Total Graduated Commission = Sum of Commissions for All Levels of Sales

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**EXAMPLE 1**

Irene Gomaz sells appliances at Twin City Sales. She receives a graduated commission as shown. Irene's sales for the past month totaled \$9,840. What was her commission for the month?

Commission Percent	Level of Sales
4%	First \$1,000
6	Next 2,000
8	Over 3,000

0 - 1000  
 1000 - 3000  
 3000 +

$$0.04(1000) + 0.06(2000) + 0.08(9840 - 3000)$$

$$40 + 120 + 0.08(6840)$$

$$40 + 120 + 547.20$$

$$\boxed{\$707.20}$$

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Complete the problems. Check your answers in the back of the book.

1. Sal Espinosa makes a 10% commission on the first \$5,000 of sales and 15% on any sales over \$5,000. Find his total graduated commission on \$15,000 in sales.

10%	# 0 - \$5000
15%	over \$5000

  

$$0.10(5000) + 0.15(15000 - 5000)$$

$$500 + 1500$$

\$2000

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2. Jenitha Forrest makes a 5% commission on the first \$2,000 of sales she makes and 8% on any sales over \$2,000. Find her total graduated commission on \$7,740 in sales.

$$0.05(2000) + 0.08(5740)$$
$$100 + 459.20$$
$$\boxed{\$559.20}$$

5%	0 - 2000
8%	over 2000

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3. Dabney Washington is paid a weekly commission of 3.5% on sales of \$7,500 or less and 5.5% on sales in excess of \$7,500. Last week Dabney's commission was \$822.40. What was the total of her sales for the week?

$$\begin{aligned}
 &3.5\% \text{ of } 7500 \\
 &0.035(7500) \\
 &\$262.50 \\
 &\cancel{-262.50}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ 0.055(x - 7500) = 822.40 \\
 &\phantom{+} - 262.50
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 3.5\% \text{ less } 7500 \\
 \hline
 5.5\% \text{ over } 7500
 \end{array}$$

$$0.055(x - 7500) = 559.90$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 0.055x - 412.50 &= 559.90 \\
 + 412.50 &+ 412.50
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 0.055x = 972.40 \\
 \hline
 0.055 \quad 0.055
 \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{X = \$17,680}$$

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4. Nate Belloir earns a weekly commission of 2.5% on sales of \$75,000 or less and 3.0% on sales in excess of \$75,000. One week Nate's commission was \$2,135. What was the total of his sales for that week?

$$0.025(75000)$$

$$1875 + 0.03(x - 75000) = 2135$$

$$\underline{1875} + 0.03x - \underline{2250} = 2135$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.03x - 375 = 2135 \\ + 375 \quad + 375 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 0.03x = 2510 \\ \hline 0.03 \quad 0.03 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$x = 83666.67$$

2.5% less 75000  
3.0% over 75000