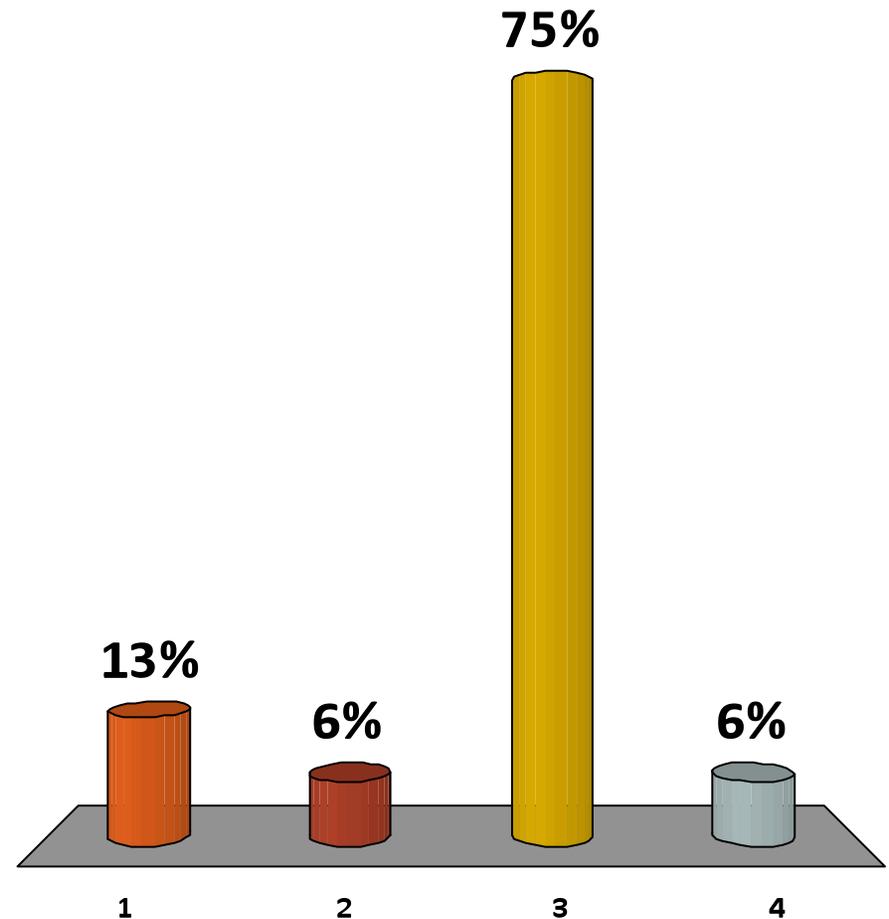


# AP Style Review

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In Washington, \_\_\_\_\_ spoke to Congress.

1. General Biff Boomer
2. general Biff Boomer
3. Gen. Biff Boomer
4. Biff Boomer, a general



“The toaster landed on my French book,” said freshman, Charity Ironpride.

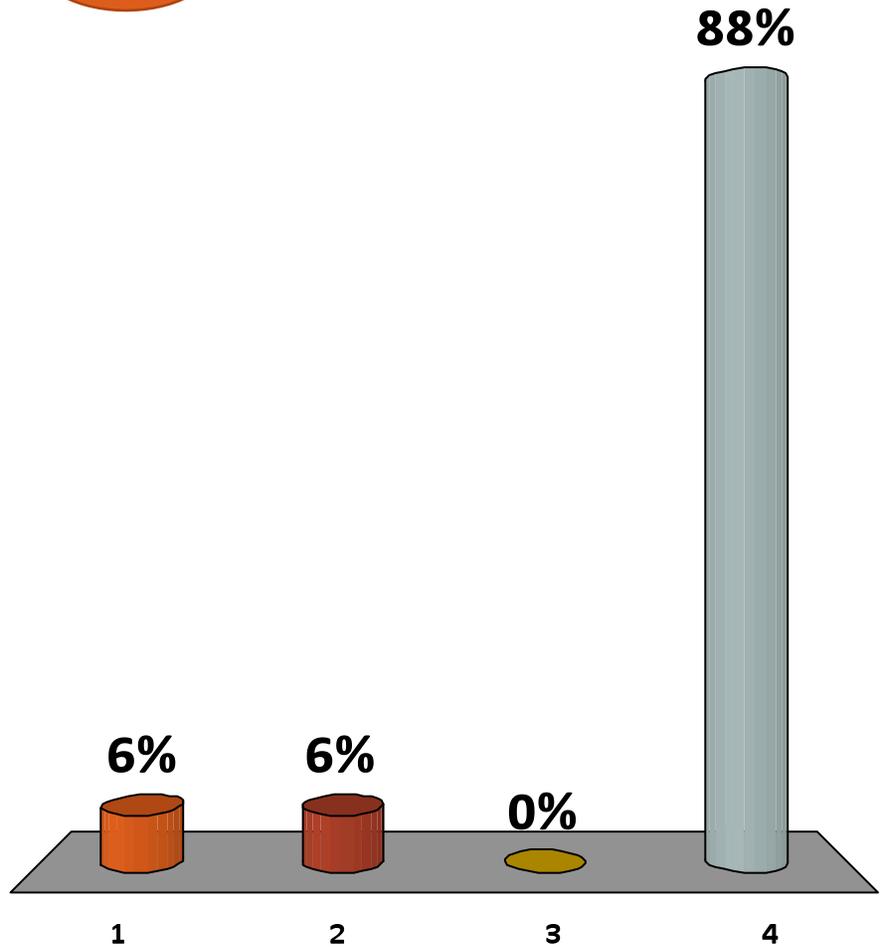
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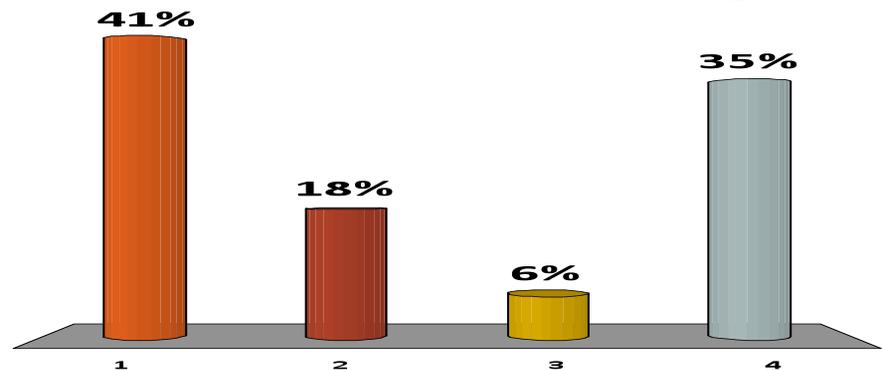
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- 1. french
- 2. [omit]
- 3. Freshman
- ✓ 4. [omit]



## Which option follows AP style correctly?

1. He told me 100 times. Spell out measurements from one to nine, and use numerals for ten and up.
- ✓ 2. He told me a hundred times. Spell out measurements from one to nine, and use numerals for **10** and up.
3. He told me 100 times. Use numerals for measurements from 1 to 9, and use words for ten and up.
4. He told me a hundred times. Use numerals for measurements from 1 to 9, and use words for ten and up.



# For full address, abbreviate ABS

- 221 Fifth Ave.
- 1502 Revolution Blvd.
- 123 Sesame St.

But...

- 1 Seton Hill Drive
- 204 Park Creek Road
- 13 Diagon Alley

For full address, abbreviate directions

- 221 E. Main St.
- 1502 Revolution Blvd. N. W.
- 204 S. Park Creek Road

## Don't abbreviate a partial address

- An accident on East Main Street...  
(not E. Main St.)
- A sleeping pig on Second Avenue...  
(not Second Ave.; never 2nd Ave.)

# Use numbers for street addresses

- 1 Seton Hill Drive (not “One” and not “Dr.”)
- 10 Ninth St. (never “Ten” and never “9th”)
- 9 10th St. (never “Nine” and never “Tenth”)

# Regular rules apply for street names

First, Second... Eighth, Ninth, 10th, 11th...

- The Pittsburgh Zoo and PPG Aquarium markets itself as “One Wild Place”
- An AP reporter would give the address as “1 Wild Place”

## Use numerals for a person's age.

- The woman, in her 40s, has a son, 11, and a daughter, 7.

Animals count as people. Otherwise, the usual rules apply.

- A 6-year-old dog has been donated to a man who has been legally blind for nine of the last 10 years.

Ages are a precise measurement.

- That's why the rule deviates from the standard rules about numbers.

Follow the usual number rules when giving the age of inanimate objects. (A two-year legal battle, a 50th anniversary.)

Spell out figures of speech using numbers.

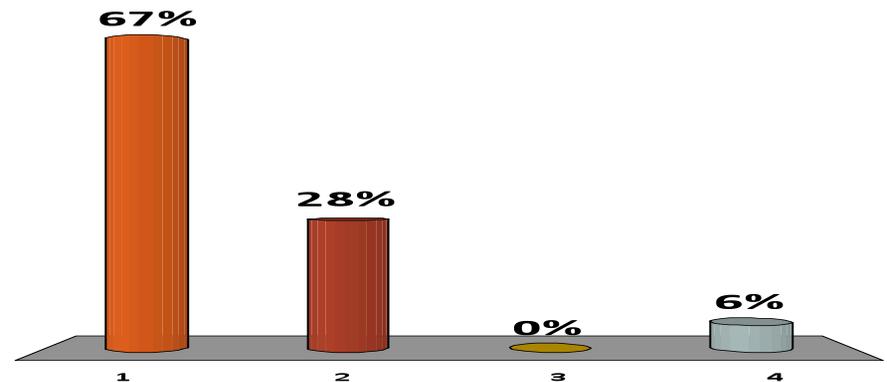
- never in a million years
- the whole nine yards; a stitch in time saves nine

But when giving measurements...

- a 9 percent increase
- 2 cents; \$5.20; \$50,000; \$20.25 million;
- a 7-6 upset

The \_\_\_\_\_ broke a law that was \_\_\_\_\_.

- ✓ 1. 5-year-old      six years old
- 2. 5-year-old      6 years old
- 3. five-year-old    6-years-old
- 4. five year old    six-years-old



The driver turned out to be \_\_\_\_\_.

1. ~~eight-years-old~~

2. ~~8-years-old~~

3. ~~eight years old~~

 4. 8 ~~years old~~

(but you got credit for this answer)

## Which line contains an AP style error?

1. 2001 was the first year of the 21st century.
2. He finished the race in tenth place for people aged 50 and above.
3. Richard has two sons, ages 8 and 10.
4. His music collection features hits from the '80s.
5. Four of the shops on 14th Street were closed for the Fourth of July holiday.

