

Michael Jordan Basketball Card Math

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Fill in the estimated percentage for three-point basket percentage and free-throw percentage.

Percentages are found in these cases by dividing the number made (for example three-point baskets) by the number attempted and multiplying by 100. For example, in the 1984-1985 season, Michael Jordan attempted 52 three-point shots and made 9 of them.

$9 \text{ divided by } 52 = .173$

$.173 (100) = 17.3\%$

Hence, in the 1984-1985 season, Michael Jordan made 17.3 percent of his three-point baskets he tried.

That same year, he attempted 746 free-throws and made 630

$630 \text{ divided by } 746 = .845$

$.845 (100) = 84.5\%$

Hence, in the 1984-1985 season, Michael Jordan made 84.5 percent of free-throws he tried.

Oftentimes, it is useful to be able to look at the numbers to calculate a rough estimate of statistics such as percentages. See how well you can estimate below. Fill in the blanks below using your best estimations. We would obviously expect free throw percentage to be much higher than three-point percentage.

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