# Pronunciation of common numbers and figures

a. 26,872 – twenty six thousand eight hundred and seventy two

Example: There were twenty six thousand eight hundred and seventy two (26,872) people at the soccer game.

b. **51.22** – fifty one point two two

Example: The window is fifty one point two two (51.22) centimeters long.

c. **1989** – nineteen eighty nine

Example: My cousin was born in nineteen eighty nine (1989).

d. **2017** – two thousand seventeen/ twenty seventeen

Example: The year is two thousand seventeen/twenty seventeen (2017).

e. 1/3 – one third

Example: Only one third (1/3) of the clients attended the meeting.

f. 7/8 – seven eighths

Example: The company was close to reaching its goal; they had earned seven eighths (7/8) of the money.

g. 3/4 – three fourths/three quarters

Example: The hospital had three fourths/three quarters (3/4) of its beds full.

h. **1/2** % - (one) half percent

Example: The company's profits only increased by (one) half percent (1/2%) this month.

i. 1/4 % - (one) fourth/quarter percent

Example: The president of the bank was upset that he only made (one) fourth/quarter percent (1/4%) more than last month.

## i. 3.012% - three point zero one two percent

Example: The sales team reported a three point zero two percent (3.012%) increase in client communication this month.

#### k. 306 m – three hundred and six meters

Example: The building was three hundred and six meters (306 m) tall.

### 1. \$40.19 – forty dollars and nineteen cents

Example: Those business cards cost forty dollars and nineteen cents (\$40.19).

## m. \$1.2 / € - one point two dollars per Euro

Example: The American dollar averaged one point two dollars per Euro (\$1.2/€).

#### n. 6:1 - six to one (ratio)

Example: The hospital has a six to one (ratio) (6:1) of patients to doctors. (This means that there are 6 patients for every 1 doctor.)

### o. 84° - eighty four degrees

Example: The temperature outside is eighty four degrees Fahrenheit (84° F). (This is referring to temperature and weather.)

Example: The angle of the chair was eighty four degrees (84°). (This is referring to angles and measurements.)

## p. **7,000 rpm** – seven thousand revolutions per minute

Example: The engine had a power of seven thousand revolutions per minute (7,000 rpm).

## q. **Q4** – quarter four/fourth quarter

Example: The finance company was looking to improve its profits for quarter four/fourth quarter (Q4). (This means the fourth of four quarters in a year -3 months for each quarter).