Workout 4 Solutions

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The percentage of people voting for either Jordan or Woods is

23.9% + 13.7% = 37.6%

The number voting for either of these two is found by multiplying the percentage times the total number of voters:

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and no rounding is needed.

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Since $A \neq B$, then either A > B or A < B. Let's assume for definiteness that A > B. Then "AB" > "BA" and we form the difference "AB" – "BA". Note that the ones digit of the difference will be 10 + B - A, because a carry is required. The tens digit will be A - 1 - B. Multiplying the tens digit by 10 and adding it to the ones digit yields the difference:

$$"AB" - "BA" = 10(A - 1 - B) + (10 + B - A)$$
$$= 10A - 10 - 10B + 10 + B - A$$
$$= 9A - 9B = 9(A - B)$$

so that 9 will be a factor of the difference. Since 3 is a prime factor of 9, it will be a factor of the difference, too.

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Each week of no advertising will result in sales of 95% of the previous week. So at week 4, the sales will be

 $0.95 \times 0.95 \times 0.95 \times 0.95 \times 10,000 = (0.95)^4 \times 10,000$

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Method 2 Write f(x) = [(8x - 6)x + 12]x - 9 (Horner's Rule). Then

$$f\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = \left[\left(\frac{8\times3}{4} - 6\right)\frac{3}{4} + 12\right]\frac{3}{4} - 9$$
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The cost is $\frac{3}{5}$ or 60% of the normal price. So this represents a discount of 40%.

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By the Pythagorean theorem,

$$2r = 200\sqrt{2} \implies r = 100\sqrt{2}$$

The desired area is the difference between that of the circle and that of the square:

$$\Delta A = \pi (100\sqrt{2})^2 - 200^2 = 20000\pi - 40000$$
$$= 20000(\pi - 2) \approx 20000(3.1416 - 2)$$
$$= 20000 \times 1.1416 \approx \boxed{22.832}$$





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ABC is one-half of an equilateral triangle, so

$$BC = \frac{1}{2}AB = \frac{48}{2} = 24.$$

We can use the Pythagorean theorem to find AC:

$$AC = \sqrt{AB^2 - BC^2} = \sqrt{48^2 - 24^2} = 24\sqrt{3}$$

So the perimeter is

$$48 + 24 + 24\sqrt{3} \approx 113.57 \approx 114$$

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Distance traveled is proportional to speed, and also to time. So

Old Distance = Old Speed × Old Time New Distance = New Speed × New Time $\frac{\text{New Distance}}{\text{Old Distance}} = \frac{\text{New Speed } \times \text{New Time}}{\text{Old Speed } \times \text{Old Time}}$ $= \frac{\text{New Speed}}{\text{Old Speed}} \times \frac{\text{New Time}}{\text{Old Time}}$ $= 2 \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{3}$

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So the new distance is $\frac{4}{3} \times 300 = 400 \text{ mi}$

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Cyl Volume = Area of Base × Height = $\pi r^2 h$ = $\pi \times 2.5^2 \times 5 = 31.25\pi \approx 98$