

## Sig Fig Worksheet

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### Part 1: Building a Foundation

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**List the rules for determining significant figures in a number. Provide a brief explanation for each rule.**

*Hint: Think about the different types of digits and their significance.*

1. Rule 1: All non-zero digits are significant.

2. Rule 2: Leading zeros are not significant.

3. Rule 3: Trailing zeros in a decimal are significant.

4. Rule 4: Zeros between significant digits are significant.

## Part 2: Comprehension and Application

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**If you have the number 0.00450, how many significant figures does it have?**

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- B) 45.60
- C) 4560
- D) 0.04560

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- B) 12.13
- C) 12.134
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### Part 3: Analysis, Evaluation, and Creation

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**Analyze the following numbers and select those that have the same number of significant figures.**

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- B) 5600
- C) 5.600
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