## **Exercise Answers**

- 1. 200 students out of 1500 in the School of Nursing currently are habitually physically inactive.
  - a. What is that measure called? prevalence
  - b. Calculate the measure. 1200/1500 = 800/1000
- 2. Six out of those 1500 students develop meningitis in the next year.
  - a. What is that measure called? incidence rate
  - b. Calculate the measure. 6/1500 = 4/1000
- 3. Two of those six students die.
  - a. What rate would you calculate? case fatality rate
  - b. Calculate the measure. 2/6 = 33%
- 4. You wish to compare rates of death for UMB's nursing and social work students.
  - a. What rates should you first calculate? crude mortality rates
- 5. You wish to compare death rates for male and female faculty members at UMB.
  - a. What rates should you calculate? age-specific mortality rates
- 6. You wish to compare rates of death from cancer for two countries.
  - a. What rates should you calculate? age-adjusted mortality rates