STATISTICS – SMOKING RATES - DESCRIBING AND MAKING GRAPHS

1) Look at the graph below and fill in the gaps with the missing data or words.



Adult smoking peaked in the (a)..... at 44%, and remained at (b) until the 1970s, but has since gradually (c) The average rate of smoking across the decades fell from (d) in the 1970s to 32% in the (e), then

2) Look at the following data and answer the questions.

	18 to 29 years	30 to 49 years	50 to 64 years	65 years and older
	%	%	%	%
Current smoker	30	26	17	9
Former smoker	12	23	33	47
Total ever smoked	42	49	50	56
Never smoked	58	51	49	44

Lifetime Smoking Status, by Age

July 10-13, 2008

GALLUP POLL

- a) What is the ratio of current smokers to those who never smoked in the 31-49 year group?
- b) What is the ratio of former smokers to current smokers in the 50-64 year group?
- c) What is the ratio of former smokers to current smokers in 65+ year group?
- d) What is the trend of smoking by age in the current smokers' group?
- e) What is the trend of smoking by age in the former smokers' group?

3) Make a bar chart using the data for current smokers and former smokers.

 $(source: http://www.gallup.com/poll/109048/us-smoking-rate-still-coming-down.aspx\)$

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SOLUTION:

1.

a	b	с	d	e	f	g
1950s	40 %	declined	40 %	1980s	26 %	2000

2.

a	b	с	d	e
$26/51 \rightarrow \text{almost}$	$33/17 \rightarrow \text{almost}$	$47/9 \rightarrow$ almost five	decreasing	increasing
half	double	times as many	accreasing	mereusing

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Sample bar chart:

	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
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