- 1. The number of shark attacks per year in the United States is distributed approximately normal with a mean of 31.8 and a standard deviation of 10.0, according to data obtained from the Florida Museum of Natural History.
 - a) Approximately what percent of years will have fewer than 21 shark attacks?
 - b) Approximately what percent of years will have more than 41 shark attacks?
 - c) In 2000, there were 51 shark attacks in the United States. Is this an unusually high number of attacks? Why?
- 2. Since 1900, the magnitude of earthquakes that measure 0.1 or higher on the Richter Scale in California is distributed approximately normally, with a mean of 6.2 and standard deviation of 0.5, according to data obtained from the United States Geological Survey.
 - a) Determine the 84th percentile of the magnitude of earthquakes in California.
 - b) Determine the magnitude of earthquakes that make up the middle 95% of magnitudes.
- 3. On one measure of attractiveness, scores are normally distributed with a mean of 3.93 and a standard deviation of 0.75. Find the probability of randomly selecting a subject with a measure of attractiveness that is greater than 2.43.
- 4. The serum cholesterol levels in men aged 18 to 24 are normally distributed with a mean of 178.1 and a standard deviation of 40.7. If a man aged 18 to 24 is randomly selected, find the probability that his serum cholesterol level is approximately between 96 and 219.
- 5. On the Graduate Record Exam in economics, scores are normally distributed with a mean of 615 and a standard deviation of 107. If a college admissions office requires scores above the 84th percentile, find the cutoff point.
- 6. Scores on the numerical part of the Minnesota Clerical Test are normally distributed with a mean of 119.3 and a standard deviation of 32.4. If a firm requires scores above 151, find the approximate percentage of subjects who don't qualify.
- 7. For a certain population, scores on the Thematic Apperception Test are normally distributed with a mean of 22.83 and a standard deviation of 8.55. For a randomly selected subject, find the probability that the score is between 5.73 and 22.83.
- 8. The Chemco Company, which manufactures car tires, finds that the tires last distances that are normally distributed with a mean of 35,600 mi and a standard deviation of 4275 mi. The manufacturer wants to guarantee the tires so that only 2.5% will be replaced because of failure before the guaranteed number of miles. For how many miles should the tires be guaranteed?