Rewrite  $\frac{17\pi}{4}$  as  $4\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}$ . Now use the identity  $\sin(\theta + 2\pi) = \sin\theta$  to simplify the calculation:

$$\sin\left(\frac{17\pi}{4}\right) = \sin\left(4\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}\right) = \sin\left(2\pi + \frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$=\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)=\sin\left(45^{\circ}\right)=\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$$