

**Mixed Word Problem Practice**

Measurement	Symbol	Unit
Distance	<b>d</b>	<b>m</b>
Time	<b>t</b>	<b>s</b>
Velocity	<b>v (or s)</b>	<b>m/s</b>
Mass	<b>m</b>	<b>g or kg</b>
Acceleration	<b>a</b>	<b>m/s<sup>2</sup></b>
Weight	<b>w</b>	<b>N newton</b>
Force	<b>F</b>	<b>N</b>
Volume	<b>V</b>	<b>cm<sup>3</sup> or mL</b>
Heat	<b>Q</b>	<b>J</b>
Specific heat	<b>c</b>	<b>J/g °C</b>
Temperature	<b>T</b>	<b>K or °C</b>
Current	<b>I</b>	<b>A amps</b>
Resistance	<b>R</b>	<b>Ω ohms</b>
Voltage	<b>V</b>	<b>V volts</b>
Energy	<b>KE or PE</b>	<b>J joules</b>

Solve the following problems. Show your work with units.

1. During a race, a runner runs at a speed of 6 m/s. 2 seconds later, she is running at a speed of 10 m/s. What is the runner's acceleration? Show your work.

$$\begin{aligned} Vf &= 10\text{m/s} & a &= \frac{Vf - Vi}{t} & \frac{(10\text{ m/s} - 6\text{m/s})}{2\text{s}} & \rightarrow & 2\text{ m/s}^2 \\ Vi &= 6\text{m/s} \\ t &= 2\text{s} \end{aligned}$$

2. If you ride your bike at an average speed of 4 km/h and need to travel a total distance of 28 km, how long will it take you to reach your destination? Show your work.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{avg. } v &= 4\text{ km/h} & v &= \frac{d}{t} \text{ OR } t = \frac{d}{v} & \frac{28\text{ km}}{4\text{ km/h}} & \rightarrow \text{it will take you } 7\text{ hours} \\ \text{total } d &= 28\text{ km} \\ t &=? \end{aligned}$$

3. A tow truck exerts a net horizontal force of 1050 N on a 760-kilogram car. What is the acceleration of the car during this time? Show your work.

$$\begin{aligned} F &= 1050\text{ N} & F &= m \cdot a \text{ OR } a = \frac{F}{m} & \frac{1050\text{N}}{760\text{ kg}} & \rightarrow & 1.38\text{ m/s}^2 \\ m &= 760\text{ kg} \\ a &=? \end{aligned}$$

4. The mass of a newborn baby is 3.5 kilograms. What is the baby's weight? (The acceleration due to gravity at Earth's surface is 9.8 m/s<sup>2</sup>.) Show your work.

$$\begin{aligned} m &= 3.5\text{ kg} & W &= m \cdot g & 3.5\text{ kg} \cdot 9.8\text{ m/s}^2 & \rightarrow & 34.3\text{ N} \\ g &= 9.8\text{ m/s}^2 \\ w &=? \end{aligned}$$

5. A small engine causes a 0.3-kg model airplane to accelerate at a rate of 11 m/s<sup>2</sup>. What is the net force on the model airplane? Show your work.

$$\begin{aligned} F &=? & F &= m \cdot a & 0.3\text{ kg} \cdot 11\text{ m/s}^2 & \rightarrow & 3.3\text{ N} \\ m &= 0.3\text{ kg} \\ a &= 11\text{ m/s}^2 \end{aligned}$$

6. A worker uses a cart to move a load of bricks weighing 680 N a distance of 10 m across a parking lot. If he pushes the cart with a constant force of 209 N, what amount of work does he do? Show your work.

$$\begin{aligned} F &= 209\text{ N} & W &= F \cdot d & 209\text{ N} \cdot 10\text{ m} & \rightarrow & 2090\text{ J} \\ d &= 10\text{ m} \\ W &=? \end{aligned}$$

7. A girl lifts a 160-N load to a height of 1 m in 0.5 s. What power does the girl produce? Show your work.

$$\begin{aligned} F &= 160\text{ N} & P &= \frac{W}{t} \text{ OR } \frac{(f \cdot d)}{t} & \frac{(160\text{ N} \cdot 1\text{ m})}{0.5\text{ s}} & \rightarrow & 320\text{ W} \\ d &= 1\text{ m} \\ t &= 0.5\text{ s} \\ P &=? \end{aligned}$$

8. The input force of a pulley system must move 8.0 m to lift a 3000-N engine a distance of 2.0 m. What is the IMA of the system? Show your work.

$$IMA = ? \quad MA = \frac{D_e}{D_r} \quad \frac{8.0 \text{ m}}{2.0 \text{ m}} \rightarrow 4$$

$$D_e = 8.0 \text{ m} \quad D_r = 2.0 \text{ m}$$

9. A 20-N force applied to the handle of a door produces a 44-N output force. What is the AMA of the handle? Show your work.

$$F_r = 44 \text{ N} \quad MA = \frac{F_r}{F_e} \quad \frac{44 \text{ N}}{20 \text{ N}} \rightarrow 2.2$$

$$F_e = 20 \text{ N} \quad MA = ?$$

10. What is the kinetic energy of a 72.0-kg sky diver falling at a terminal velocity of 79.0 m/s? Show your work.

$$KE = ? \quad KE = \frac{1}{2} m v^2 \quad (\frac{1}{2})(72.0 \text{ kg})(79.0 \text{ m/s})^2$$

$$m = 72.0 \text{ kg} \quad = (36) * (6241) \rightarrow 224,676 \text{ J}$$

$$v = 79.0 \text{ m/s}$$

11. A 0.47-kg squirrel jumps from a tree branch that is 3.5 m high to the top of a bird feeder that is 1.2 m high. What is the change in gravitational potential energy of the squirrel? (The acceleration due to gravity is 9.8 m/s<sup>2</sup>.) Show your work.

$$GPE = ? \quad GPE = mgh \quad (0.47 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(2.3 \text{ m}) \rightarrow 10.59 \text{ J}$$

$$m = 0.47 \text{ kg} \quad g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$h = 3.5 \text{ m} - 1.2 \text{ m} = 2.3 \text{ m}$$

12. A small dog is trained to jump straight up a distance of 1.2 m. How much gravitational potential energy does the 7.2 kg dog need to jump this high? (The acceleration due to gravity is 9.8 m/s<sup>2</sup>.) Show your work.

$$GPE = ? \quad GPE = mgh \quad (7.2 \text{ kg})(9.8 \text{ m/s}^2)(1.2 \text{ m}) \rightarrow 84.67 \text{ J}$$

$$m = 7.2 \text{ kg} \quad g = 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$h = 1.2 \text{ m}$$

13. How many kilojoules of heat must be transferred to a 480-g aluminum pizza pan to raise its temperature from 22°C to 234°C? The specific heat of aluminum in this temperature range is 0.96 J/g·°C. Show your work.

$$Q = ? \quad Q = mc\Delta T \quad (480 \text{ g})(0.96 \text{ J/g}\cdot\text{°C})(212 \text{ °C}) \rightarrow 97689.6 \text{ J}$$

$$m = 480 \text{ g} \quad c = 0.96 \text{ J/g}\cdot\text{°C}$$

$$\Delta T = 234\text{°C} - 22\text{°C} = 212 \text{ °C}$$

14. As 390 g of hot milk cools in a mug, it transfers 30,000 J of heat to the environment. What is the temperature change of the milk? The specific heat of milk is 3.9 J/g·°C. Show your work.

$$Q = 30,000 \text{ J} \quad \Delta T = \frac{Q}{mc} \quad \frac{30,000 \text{ J}}{(390\text{g})(3.9 \text{ J/g}\cdot\text{°C})} \rightarrow \frac{30,000\text{J}}{1521 \text{ J/°C}} \rightarrow 19.72 \text{ °C}$$

$$m = 390 \text{ g} \quad c = 3.9 \text{ J/g}\cdot\text{°C}$$

$$\Delta T = ?$$

15. What is the acceleration of a car that goes from 20 km/h to 100 km/h in 2 hours?

$$a = ? \quad a = \frac{V_f - V_i}{t} \quad \frac{100 \text{ km/h} - 20 \text{ km/h}}{2 \text{ hrs}} \rightarrow 40 \text{ km/h}$$

$$V_f = 100 \text{ km/h} \quad V_i = 20 \text{ km/h}$$

$$t = 2 \text{ hrs}$$

16. An object moves 20 km in 5 h, what is its speed?

$$v = ? \quad v = \frac{d}{t} \quad \frac{20 \text{ km}}{5 \text{ hr}} \rightarrow 4 \text{ km/hr}$$

$$d = 20 \text{ km} \quad t = 5 \text{ hr}$$

17. If the force on an object is 14 N and the object has a mass of 3.5 kg what is its acceleration?

$$F = 14 \text{ N} \quad F = m \cdot a \quad \text{OR} \quad a = \frac{F}{m} \quad \frac{14\text{N}}{3.5\text{kg}} \rightarrow 4 \text{ m/s}^2$$

$$m = 3.5 \text{ kg} \quad a = ?$$