

Units Tell Stories

Use units to make quantities meaningful.

HIGH SCHOOL • HSN-Q.A

CCSS.Math.Content.HSN-Q.A "Reason quantitatively and use units to solve problems."

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TRACK THE UNITS

Keep the units in every calculation. Divide to find a rate, and use conversion factors to change units. Your final answer should include a unit that fits the question.

WORKED EXAMPLE

A runner travels 20 kilometers in 4 hours. What is the runner's average speed in kilometers per hour?

1. Speed = distance / time.
2. 20 kilometers / 4 hours = 5 kilometers per hour.
3. The kilometers and hours tell what the rate means.

Answer: 5 km/h

PRACTICE 6 problems

- 1** Convert 90 minutes to hours.

ANSWER _____

- 2** Convert 72 inches to feet.

ANSWER _____

- 3** Eight tickets cost \$56. What is the cost per ticket?

ANSWER _____

- 4** A rectangular floor is 14 feet long and 8 feet wide. What is its area?

ANSWER _____

- 5** A drink dispenser holds 2 gallons. If 1 gallon equals 8 cups, how many cups does it hold?

ANSWER _____

- 6** Convert 0.7 kilograms to grams.

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A gaming club has \$250 to buy controllers that cost \$27 each. The club buys 8 controllers. How much money remains?

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** A student downloads 8 video episodes. Each episode uses $\frac{3}{8}$ gigabyte of data. How many gigabytes of data does the download use?

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

A shuttle travels 96 miles in $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. At the same speed, how far will it travel in 30 minutes? Show how you convert the time units.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	Convert 90 minutes to hours.	1.5 hours
2	Convert 72 inches to feet.	6 feet
3	Eight tickets cost \$56. What is the cost per ticket?	\$7 per ticket
4	A rectangular floor is 14 feet long and 8 feet wide. What is its area?	112 square feet
5	A drink dispenser holds 2 gallons. If 1 gallon equals 8 cups, how many cups does it hold?	16 cups
6	Convert 0.7 kilograms to grams.	700 grams

PART 2 • APPLY IT

1. **\$34** Multiply 8 controllers by \$27 per controller to get \$216. Subtract \$216 from \$250.
2. **3 gigabytes** Multiply 8 episodes by $\frac{3}{8}$ gigabyte per episode. The episodes cancel, leaving 3 gigabytes.

CHALLENGE

32 miles; $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours = $\frac{3}{2}$ hours, so the speed is $96 \div (\frac{3}{2}) = 64$ miles per hour. Since 30 minutes = $\frac{1}{2}$ hour, the distance is $64 \times \frac{1}{2} = 32$ miles.

Accept equivalent forms such as 1.5 hours or $\frac{3}{2}$ hours. Require units on final answers and accept correct unit-conversion work.