

Formula Challenge

Name _____

What do the following units represent? Use **D** for distance, **T** for time, **S** for speed, or **A** for acceleration.

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| _____ 1. 14 km | _____ 4. 6 hours | _____ 7. 14 mi | _____ 10. 1.4 m |
| _____ 2. 30 m/s | _____ 5. 12 cm/s ² | _____ 8. 3.2 sec | _____ 11. 6 cm/min/sec |
| _____ 3. 34 min | _____ 6. 150 mph | _____ 9. 25 ft | _____ 12. 3 km/hr/sec |

Solve each problem! Be sure to show your work!

13. Goldie Goldfish, a speed swimmer, loves to race around the park's pond, which is 0.5 miles around. If she can swim 20 laps around the track in 2 hours, what is her average speed?
14. It takes Stu, a slimy slug, 20 minutes to travel from his favorite bush to the local trash can (a trip of 30 meters), how far can he travel in 1 hour (60 minutes)?
15. At exactly 2:00 pm, Speedy the Snail crawls onto a meter stick at the 10 cm mark. If he reaches the 65 cm mark at exactly 2:10 pm, what is his speed?
16. If it takes Leaping Louie 5 minutes to jump 3 blocks, how long will it take for him to jump 15 blocks?
17. If Bert the Bat travels eastward at 40 mph with a tail wind of 6 mph, what is his actual speed?
18. Toon Train is traveling at the speed of 10 m/s at the top of a hill. Five seconds later it reaches the bottom of the hill and is moving at 30 m/s. What is the rate of acceleration of Toon Train?
19. Pete the Penguin loves to sled down his favorite hill. If he hits a speed of 50 m/s after 5 seconds, what is his rate of acceleration? Hint: He starts at 0 m/s at the top of the hill.
20. Monster Mike's truck decelerates from 72 m/s to 0 m/s in 6 seconds. What is his rate of deceleration?

Formula Challenge Answer Key

D 1. 14 km

T 4. 6 hours

D 7. 14 mi

D 10. 1.4 m

S 2. 30 m/s

A 5. 12 cm/s²

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A 11. 6 cm/min/sec

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S 6. 150 mph

D 9. 25 ft

A 12. 3 km/hr/sec

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13. Goldie Goldfish, a speed swimmer, loves to race around the park's pond, which is 0.5 miles around. If she can swim 20 laps around the track in 2 hours, what is her average speed?

$$20 \times 0.5 = 10 \text{ miles} \div 2 \text{ hours} = 5 \text{ mph}$$

14. It takes Stu, a slimy slug, 20 minutes to travel from his favorite bush to the local trash can (a trip of 30 meters), how far can he travel in 1 hour (60 minutes)?

$$30 \div 20 = 1.5 \text{ m/min} \times 60 \text{ min} = 90 \text{ m}$$

15. At exactly 2:00 pm, Speedy the Snail crawls onto a meter stick at the 10 cm mark. If he reaches the 65 cm mark at exactly 2:10 pm, what is his speed?

$$65 \text{ cm} - 10 \text{ cm} = 55 \text{ cm} \div 10 \text{ min} = 5.5 \text{ cm/min}$$

16. If it takes Leaping Louie 5 minutes to jump 3 blocks, how long will it take for him to jump 15 blocks?

$$3 \text{ blocks} \div 5 \text{ min} = 0.6 \text{ blocks/min} \quad 15 \text{ blocks} \div 0.6 \text{ blocks/min} = 25 \text{ min}$$

17. If Bert the Bat travels eastward at 40 mph with a tail wind of 6 mph, what is his actual speed?

$$40 \text{ mph} + 6 \text{ mph} = 46 \text{ mph}$$

18. Toon Train is traveling at the speed of 10 m/s at the top of a hill. Five seconds later it reaches the bottom of the hill and is moving at 30 m/s. What is the rate of acceleration of Toon Train?

$$30 \text{ m/s} - 10 \text{ m/s} = 20 \text{ m/s} \div 5 \text{ s} = 4 \text{ m/s}^2$$

19. Pete the Penguin loves to sled down his favorite hill. If he hits a speed of 50 m/s after 5 seconds, what is his rate of acceleration? Hint: He starts at 0 m/s at the top of the hill.

$$50 \text{ m/s} - 0 \text{ m/s} = 50 \text{ m/s} \div 5 \text{ s} = 10 \text{ m/s}^2$$

20. Monster Mike's truck decelerates from 72 m/s to 0 m/s in 6 seconds. What is his rate of deceleration?

$$0 \text{ m/s} - 72 \text{ m/s} = -72 \text{ m/s} \div 6 \text{ s} = -12 \text{ m/s}^2$$