

Word Problems

Name: Answers

1. A family moves from Chicago to Saskatoon. A company that rents moving trucks uses this formula, $C = 1.15 [21.95d + 0.035(k - 120)]$, to determine the cost, including tax, of renting a truck for d days and k kilometers, when $k > 120$. The distance from Chicago to Saskatoon is 2400 km and the family travels for 4 days. What is the cost to rent the truck?

$$C = 1.15 [21.95(4) + 0.035(2400 - 120)]$$

$$C = 1.15 [87.8 + 79.8]$$

$$C = 1.15 [167.6]$$

$$C = 192.74$$

$$\boxed{\$ 192.74}$$

2. Use this formula to convert each Fahrenheit temperature below to Celsius:

i) 0°F

$$C = \frac{F - 32}{1.8}$$

$$C = \frac{-32}{1.8} = -17.7^{\circ}\text{C}$$

ii) -40°F

$$C = \frac{-40 - 32}{1.8}$$

$$= -40^{\circ}\text{C}$$

iii) -53°F

$$C = \frac{-53 - 32}{1.8}$$

$$C = \frac{-85}{1.8} = -47.2^{\circ}\text{C}$$

3. On Tuesday, Dec. 23rd, the lowest temperature in Winnipeg was -13.4°C . By noon the next day, the temperature had increased by 5.7°C .

- a) What was the temperature at noon?

$$-13.4 + 5.7 = -7.7^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$\boxed{7.7^{\circ}\text{C}}$$

- b) On Wednesday, Dec. 24th, the lowest temperature was 3.7°C less than the lowest the previous day. What was the lowest temperature on Wednesday?

$$-7.7 - 3.7 = -11.4$$

4. The lowest point on land in North America is Death Valley at 86m below sea level. The highest point is the peak of Mt. McKinley at 6193.7 m above sea level. How can you use rational numbers to calculate the distance between these two points?

$$6193.7\text{ m} - (-86\text{ m}) = 6279.7$$

5. The temperature of a freezer changed from -16°C to -14.7°C .

$$-14.7^{\circ}\text{C} - (-16^{\circ}\text{C}) = 1.3^{\circ}\text{C}$$

a) By how much did the temperature change?

$$-1.3^{\circ}\text{C}$$

By how much does the temperature need to change again before it is at -3.8°C ?

$$-14.7^{\circ}\text{C} \rightarrow -3.8^{\circ}\text{C} \quad -3.8^{\circ}\text{C} - -14.7^{\circ}\text{C} = 10.9^{\circ}\text{C}$$

6. a) The price of a share in Petro-Canada changed by $-\$0.80$. A person owns 120 shares. By how much did the shares change in value that day?

$$120 \times -0.8 = -96$$

$\$96$

b) The price of a share in Research-In-Motion (RIM) changed by $-\$2.10$. If a person owns 50 shares, how much did the share change in value that day?

$$50 \times -2.10 = \cancel{\$105} \quad \boxed{-\$105}$$

c) The price of a share in Shoppers Drug Mart changed by $\$0.35$. If a person owns 65 shares, how much did the share change in value that day?

$$65 \times 0.35 = \$22.75$$

7. A thermometer on a freezer is set at -5.5°C . Each time the freezer door is opened, the temperature increases by 0.3°C . Suppose there is a power outage. How many times can the door be opened before the temperature of the freezer increases to 5°C . Show your work.

$$5^{\circ}\text{C} - -5.5^{\circ}\text{C} = 10.5^{\circ}\text{C}$$

$$10.5^{\circ}\text{C} \div 0.3 = \boxed{35 \text{ door openings}}$$

8. To pay for a skiing holiday in Whistler, Paige borrows $\$1450.50$ from her parents. She pays back $\$30.75$ each week.

How many weeks will it be until Paige is no longer in debt? Show your work.

$$\$1450.50 \div \$30.75 = 47.2$$

After 48 weeks Paige will no longer be in debt. At 47 weeks she would still owe

$$\cancel{\$5.25} \quad \$5.25$$