

Solutions to Manipulating Relationships Problems

1. We are given the formula $d = \frac{m}{v}$ and the known variables are the density (d), 0.785 and the mass (m) which has a value of 10. As we are asked to find the volume (v) of the 10g sample of isopropyl alcohol we can rearrange the relationship $d = \frac{m}{v}$ to isolate v .

$$d = \frac{m}{v}$$

Multiply both sides by v gives

$$dv = m$$

Now, divide both sides by d to isolate v

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{dv}{d} &= \frac{m}{d} \\ \cancel{d}v &= \frac{m}{\cancel{d}} \\ v &= \frac{m}{d}\end{aligned}$$

On substituting the values $m = 10$ and $d = 0.785$ into the relationship $v = \frac{m}{d}$

$$\begin{aligned}v &= \frac{10}{0.785} \\ &= 12.7388535\end{aligned}$$

That is, the volume of the 10g sample of isopropyl alcohol is approximately 12.74 mL.

2. Rearrange the relationship $t_C = \frac{5}{9}(t_F - 32)$ to isolate t_F on one side:

$$t_C = \frac{5}{9}(t_F - 32)$$

Multiply both sides by 9:

$$\begin{aligned}9 \times t_C &= 9 \times \frac{5}{9}(t_F - 32) \\ 9t_C &= 5(t_F - 32)\end{aligned}$$

Expanding the right hand side gives:

$$9t_C = 5t_F - 160$$

Now add 160 to both sides:

$$9t_C + 160 = 5t_F - 160 + 160$$

$$9t_C + 160 = 5t_F$$

And lastly, divide both sides by 5 to isolate t_F , that is:

$$\frac{9t_C + 160}{5} = t_F.$$

Now we can substitute $t_C = 30$ into the relation above, giving:

$$\frac{9 \times 30 + 160}{5} = t_F$$
$$86 = t_F$$

That is, 30 degrees Celsius corresponds to 86 degrees Fahrenheit.

3. In this question, we are asked to find the value for energy. From the relationship specific heat = $\frac{E}{mT}$ we need to isolate the variable E . We can do this by multiplying both sides by mT :

$$mT \times \text{specific heat} = \frac{E}{mT} \times mT$$

$$mT \times \text{specific heat} = \frac{E}{\cancel{mT}} \times \cancel{mT}$$

$$mT \times \text{specific heat} = E.$$

Now we can substitute the values given for specific heat, $4.184J/g^{\circ}C$, mass (m), 250g and temperature change (T), 60° (as the change in temperature is given by $80^{\circ} - 20^{\circ}$).

Therefore,

$$E = mT \times \text{specific heat}$$
$$= 250 \times 60 \times 4.184$$
$$= 62,760.$$

That is, the heat energy required is 62,760 Joules.