

**For all problems, please show the dimensional analysis setup and give the answer to the correct number of significant figures.**

1. Write 2 conversion factors for each of the following pairs of units:

a) milligrams and grams  $\frac{1000 \text{ mg}}{1 \text{ g}}$  or  $\frac{1 \text{ g}}{1000 \text{ mg}}$

b) microliters and liters  $\frac{10^6 \mu\text{L}}{1 \text{ L}}$  or  $\frac{1 \text{ L}}{10^6 \mu\text{L}}$

c) centimeters and kilometers  $\frac{10^5 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ km}}$  or  $\frac{1 \text{ km}}{10^5 \text{ cm}}$

d) hours and seconds  $\frac{3600 \text{ s}}{1 \text{ hr}}$  or  $\frac{1 \text{ hr}}{3600 \text{ s}}$

2. Use dimensional analysis to solve each of the following problems:

a) A cooler has a capacity of 5500 mL. What is this capacity in liters?

$$5500 \text{ mL} \times \frac{1 \text{ L}}{1000 \text{ mL}} = 5.5 \text{ L}$$

b) A hummingbird has a mass of 0.0055 kg. What is this mass in grams?

$$0.0055 \text{ kg} \times \frac{1000 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ kg}} = 5.5 \text{ g}$$

c) The thickness of a sheet of aluminum foil is 2.5  $\mu\text{m}$ . What is this thickness in cm?

$$2.5 \mu\text{m} \times \frac{1 \text{ m}}{10^6 \mu\text{m}} \times \frac{10^2 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ m}} = 2.5 \times 10^{-4} \text{ cm}$$

d) The height of a student is 5'6". What is this height in meters? (1 in = 2.54 cm)

**Total height in inches = 66 in**

$$66 \text{ in} \times \frac{2.54 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ in}} \times \frac{1 \text{ m}}{100 \text{ cm}} = 1.7 \text{ m}$$

3. Solve each of the following problems to the correct number of significant figures:

- a) The density of a liquid is 11.3 g/mL. How many grams does 32.0 mL of this liquid weigh?

$$32.0 \text{ mL} \times \frac{11.3 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mL}} = 362 \text{ g}$$

- b) Ethyl alcohol has a density of 0.79 g/mL. What is the volume in mL of 1.5 kg of alcohol?

$$1.5 \text{ kg} \times \frac{1000 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ kg}} \times \frac{1 \text{ mL}}{0.79 \text{ g}} = 1900 \text{ mL}$$

- c) Potatoes cost \$1.75/lb. If all the potatoes sold at a store cost \$1420, how many kg of potatoes did the shoppers buy? (1 lb = 454 g)

$$1420 \text{ \$} \times \frac{1 \text{ lb}}{1.75 \text{ \$}} \times \frac{454 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ lb}} \times \frac{1 \text{ kg}}{1000 \text{ g}} = 368 \text{ kg}$$

- d) How many mL of olive oil (d = 0.92 g/mL) weigh the same as 1.2 L of gasoline (d = 0.66 g/mL).

$$1.2 \text{ L gasoline} \times \frac{1000 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ L}} \times \frac{0.66 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ mL}} = 792 \text{ g gasoline}$$

$$\text{mass of olive oil} = \text{mass of gasoline} = 792 \text{ g}$$

$$792 \text{ g oil} \times \frac{1 \text{ mL}}{0.92 \text{ g}} = 860 \text{ mL}$$

- e) What is the speed of an automobile that is traveling at 55 mi/h in m/s? (1 km = 0.62 mi)

$$\frac{55 \text{ mi}}{1 \text{ hr}} \times \frac{1 \text{ km}}{0.62 \text{ mi}} \times \frac{1000 \text{ m}}{1 \text{ km}} \times \frac{1 \text{ hr}}{3600 \text{ s}} = 25 \text{ m/s}$$