

Physical Quantities and Measurement

Points to Remember

- The mass of a body is the quantity of matter contained in a body regardless of its volume or any force acting on it.
- The weight of a body is the force with which every body is attracted towards its centre.
- The unit of mass in S.I. system is kilogram (kg). Higher units of mass are quintal and metric tonne.
- The weight of body changes with acceleration due to gravity.
- Weight is zero at the centre of the earth.
- Mass per unit volume of a substance is called density of the body.
- The unit of density in S.I. system is kg m^{-3} and gcm^{-3} in C.G.S. system.
- The density in S.I. system is $1000 \times$ numerical value in C.G.S. system.
- The density of liquids and gases decreases or increases with the rise or fall in temperature.
- The cycle of upward and downward movements of the fluid form currents in the medium which are known as convectional currents.

Test Yourself

A. Objective Questions

1. Write true or false for each statement

(a) The S.I. unit of volume is litre.

Answer. False.

The S.I. unit of volume is cubic metre.

(b) A measuring beaker of capacity 200 ml can measure only the volume. 200 ml of a liquid.

Answer. True.

(c) cm^2 is a smaller unit of area than m^2 .

Answer. True.

(d) Equal volumes of two different substances have equal masses.

Answer. False.

Equal volumes of two different substances have different masses.

(e) The S.I. unit of density is g cm^{-3} .

Answer. False.

The S.I. unit of density is Kg m^{-3} .

(f) $1 \text{ g cm}^{-3} = 1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$.

Answer. True.

(g) The density of water is maximum at 4°C .

Answer. True.

(h) The speed 5 ms^{-1} is less than 25 km h^{-1} .

Answer. True.

(i) The S.I. unit of speed is ms^{-1} .

Answer. True

2. Fill in the blanks

(a) $1 \text{ m}^3 = 10^6 \text{ cm}^3$

(b) The volume of an irregular solid is determined by the method of **displacement of liquid**.

(c) Volume of a cube = **(one side)**

(d) The area of an irregular lamina is measured by using a **graph paper**.

(e) Mass = density \times **volume**.

(f) The S.I. unit of density is **kg m^{-3}** .

(g) $1 \text{ g cm}^{-3} = 1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$.

(h) $36 \text{ km h}^{-1} = 10 \text{ ms}^{-1}$.

(i) Distance travelled $d = \text{speed } v \times \text{time } t$.

3. Match the following

Column A

- (a) Volume of a liquid
- (b) Area of a leaf
- (c) S.I. unit of volume
- (d) S.I. unit of density
- (e) S.I. unit of speed

Column B

- (i) kg m^{-3}
- (ii) m^3
- (iii) graph paper
- (iv) m s^{-1}
- (v) measuring cylinder

Ans.

Column A

- (a) Volume of a liquid
- (b) Area of a leaf
- (c) S.I. unit of volume
- (d) S.I. unit of density
- (e) S.I. unit of speed

Column B

- (v) measuring cylinder
- (iii) graph paper
- (ii) m^3
- (i) kg m^{-3}
- (iv) m s^{-1}

4. Select the correct alternative

(a) One litre is equal to :

- 1. 1 cm^3
- 2. 1 m^3
- 3. 10^{-3} cm^3
- 4. 10^{-3} m^3

(b) A metallic piece displaces water of volume 15 ml. The volume of piece is :

- 1. 15 cm^3
- 2. 15 m^3
- 3. $15 \times 10^3 \text{ cm}^3$
- 4. $15 \times 10^3 \text{ m}^3$

(c) A piece of paper of dimensions 1.5 m x 20 cm has area :

- 1. 30 m^2
- 2. 300 cm^2
- 3. 0.3 m^2
- 4. 3000 m^3

(d) The correct relation is :

1. $d = M \times V$
2. **$M = d \times V$**
3. $V = d \times M$
4. $d = M + V$

(e) The density of alcohol is 0.8 g cm^{-3} . In S.I. unit, it will be :

1. 0.8 kg m^{-3}
2. 0.0008 kg m^{-3}
3. **800 kg m^{-3}**
4. $8 \times 10^3 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$

(f) The density of aluminium is 2.7 g cm^{-3} and of brass is 8.4 g cm^{-3} . For the same mass, the volume of:

1. both will be same
2. aluminium will be less than that of brass
3. **aluminium will be more than that of brass**
4. nothing can be said.

(g) A block of wood of density 0.8 g cm^{-3} has a volume of 60 cm^3 . The mass of block will be :

1. 60.8 g
2. 75 g
3. **48 g**
4. 0.013 g

(h) The correct relation for speed is

1. Speed = distance x time
2. **speed = distance / time**
3. speed = time / distance
4. speed = 1 / distance x time

(i) A boy travels a distance 150 m in 1 minute . His speed is

1. 150 m s^{-1}
2. **2.5 m s^{-1}**
3. 25 m s^{-1}
4. 9 m s^{-1}

B. Short/Long Answer Questions

Question 1.

Define the term volume of an object.

Answer:

The space occupied by an object is called its volume.

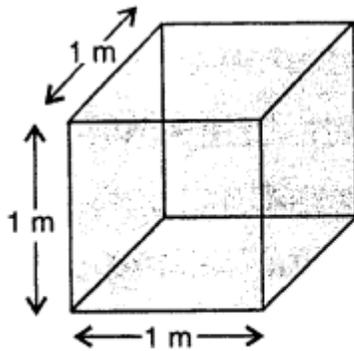
Question 2.

State and define the S.I. unit of volume.

Answer:

S.I. unit of volume – The S.I. unit of volume is cubic metre. In short form, it is written as m^3 .

One cubic metre is the volume of a cube of each side 1 metre as shown in figure below i.e., $1 m^3 = 1 m \times 1 m \times 1 m$.



Unit one metre³ (or 1 m³)

Question 3.

State two smaller units of volume. How are they related to the S.I. unit?

Answer:

A smaller unit of volume is cubic centimetre (symbol cm^3) and cubic decimetre (symbol dm^3). One cubic centimetre is the volume of a cube of each side 1 centimetre, i.e., $1 cm^3 = 1 cm \times 1 cm \times 1 cm$.

Relationship between m^3 and cm^3

$$\begin{aligned} 1 m^3 &= 1m \times 1m \times 1m \\ &= 100 cm \times 100 cm \times 100 cm \\ &= 10,00,000 cm^3 = 10^6 cm^3. \end{aligned}$$

Relationship between m^3 and dm^3

$$\begin{aligned} 1 m^3 &= 1m \times 1 m \times 1 m . \\ &= 10 dm \times 10 dm \times 10 dm \\ &= 1000 dm^3 \\ &= 10^3 dm^3 \end{aligned}$$

Note $1 m = 10 dm$

Question 4.

How will you determine the volume of a cuboid ? Write the formula you will use.

Answer:

Volume of a cuboid = length \times breadth \times height.

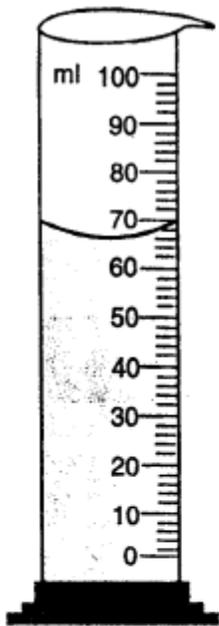
Question 5.

Name two devices which are used to measure the volume of an object. Draw their neat diagrams.

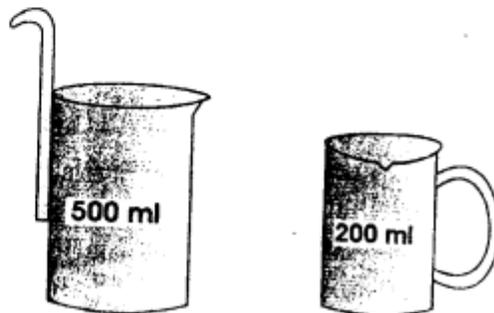
Answer:

Two devices that are used to measure the volume of an object are :

- (i) Measuring cylinder and
- (ii) Measuring beaker.



Measuring cylinder



Measuring beakers

Question 6.

How can you determine the volume of an irregular solid (say a piece of brass) ? Describe in steps with neat diagrams.

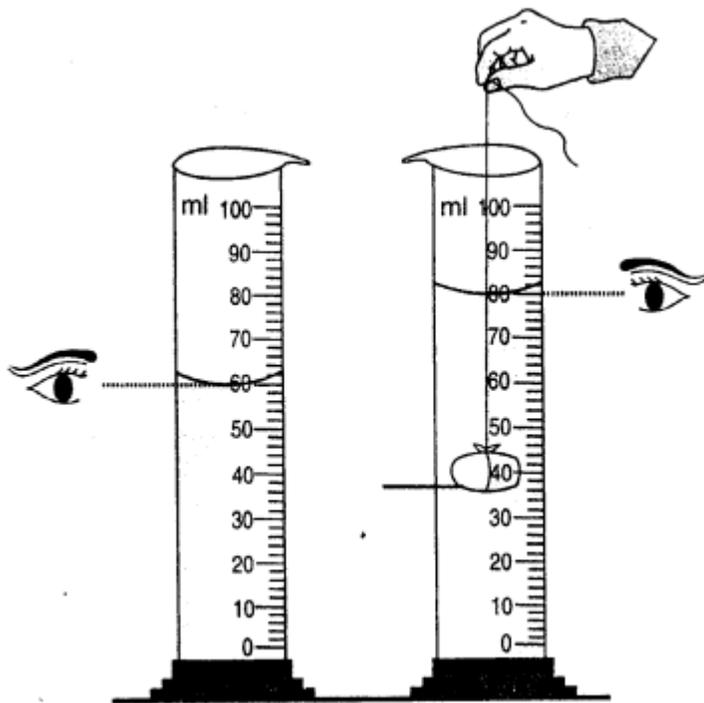
Answer:

To measure the volume of a piece of stone.

Take a piece of brass, a measuring cylinder, fine thread of sufficient length and some water.

Place a measuring cylinder on a flat horizontal surface and fill it partially with water.

Note the reading of the water level very carefully. Now tie the piece of brass with a thread and dip it completely into water. We see that the level of water rises. Note the reading of the new water level.



The difference in the two levels of water gives the volume of the piece of brass

Initial level of water = 60 ml

Level of water when brass is immersed = 80 ml

\therefore Volume of water displaced = 80 ml – 60 ml = 20 ml

\therefore Volume of the piece of brass = 20 cm³

Note : 1 ml = 1 cm³

Question 7.

You are required to take out 200 ml of milk from a bucket full of milk. How will you do it ?

Answer:

By using the measuring beaker A measuring beaker is used to measure a fixed volume of liquid from a large volume. Suppose it is required to measure 200 ml of milk from the milk contained in a bucket. For this, take the measuring beaker of capacity 200 ml.

Wash it and dry it. Then, immerse the measuring beaker well inside the milk contained in the bucket so that the beaker gets completely filled with the milk. Take out the measuring beaker from the bucket gently so that no milk splashes out and then pour the milk from the measuring beaker into the another empty vessel.

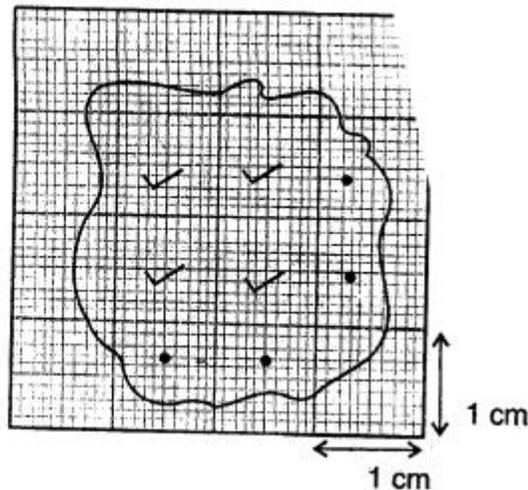
Question 8.

Describe the method in steps to find the area of an irregular lamina using a graph paper.

Answer:

Method to find the area of an irregular lamina using a graph paper : First, place the lamina over a graph paper and draw its boundary line on the graph paper with a pencil. Then remove the lamina and count and note the number of complete squares as well as the number of squares more than half within the boundary line (only the squares less than half, are left while counting). The area of lamina is equal to the sum of the area of complete squares and the area of squares more than half. Let n be the total number of complete and more than half or half squares within the boundary of lamina. Since area of one big square is $1\text{ cm} \times 1\text{ cm} = 1\text{ cm}^2$, so the area of lamina will be $n \times$

1 cm^2 or $n\text{ cm}^2$]



Question 9.

Define the term density of a substance.

Answer:

The density of a substance is defined as the mass of a unit volume of that substance.

Question 10.

State the S.I. and C.G.S. units of density. How are they inter related ?

Answer:

The S.I. unit of mass is kilogram (symbol kg) and of volume is cubic metre (symbol m^3). Therefore S.I. unit of density is kg/m^3 or kg m^{-3} .

The C.G.S. unit of mass is gram (symbol g) and of volume is cubic centimetre (symbol

cm³). Therefore the C.G.S. unit of density is g/cm³ or g cm⁻³.

Relationship between kg m⁻³ and g cm⁻³

$$1 \text{ kg} = 1000 \text{ g}$$

$$\text{or } 1 \text{ g} = \frac{1}{1000} \text{ kg}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{and } 1 \text{ m}^3 &= (100 \text{ cm})^3 \\ &= 100 \times 100 \times 100 \text{ cm}^3 \\ &= 10,00,000 \text{ cm}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{or } 1 \text{ cm}^3 = \frac{1}{1000000} \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{Now } 1 \text{ g cm}^{-3} = \frac{1 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ cm}^3}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{1}{1000} \text{ kg}}{\frac{1}{1000000} \text{ m}^3} = \frac{1000000}{1000} \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

$$= 1,000 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

$$\text{Thus, } 1 \text{ g cm}^{-3} = 1,000 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

Question 11.

'The density of brass is 8.4 g cm⁻³'. What do you mean by the statement ?

Answer:

Density of brass is 8.4 g cm⁻³. This means that unit volume of brass contain 8.4 g mass.

Question 12.

Arrange the following substances in order of their increasing density:

- (a) iron
- (b) cork
- (c) brass
- (d) water
- (e) mercury

Answer:

b<a<c<d<e

Question 13.

How does the density of water changes when :

- (a) it is heated from 0°C to 4°C,
- (b) it is heated from 4°C to 10°C ?

Answer:

- (a) Water contracts on heating from 0°C to 4°C and expands on heating above 4°C.
- (b) The density of water is maximum at 4°C. It decreases when it is cooled from 4°C to 0°C or it is heated above 4°C.

Question 14.

Write the density of water at 4°C.

Answer:

The density of water at 4°C is 1.0 g cm⁻³, or 1,000 kg m⁻³

Question 15.

Explain the meaning of the term speed.

Answer:

The distance covered or travelled by a body in one second is called the speed of the body, i.e.

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance travelled}}{\text{Time taken}}$$

Speed is usually denoted by the symbol v .

If a body travels a distance d in time t , then its speed is given as

$$\text{Speed } (v) = \frac{d}{t}$$

Question 16.

Write the S.I. unit of speed.

Answer:

The S.I. unit of speed is metre/second or metre per second. Its symbol is m s⁻¹.

Question 17.

A car travels with a speed 12 m s⁻¹, while a scooter travels with a speed 36 km h⁻¹. Which of the two travels faster ?

Answer:

Speed of car = 12 m s⁻¹

Speed of scooter = 36 km h⁻¹

here, 1 km = 1000 m

1 hr = 3600 sec

$$\therefore \text{Speed of scooter} = \frac{36 \times 1000}{3600} = 10 \text{ m s}^{-1}$$

\therefore Speed of car is more. Car travels faster than scooter.

C. Numericals

Question 1.

The length, breadth and height of a water tank are 5 m, 2.5 m and 1.25 m respectively. Calculate the capacity of the water tank in (a) m^3 (b) litre.

Answer:

Given,

Length (l) = 5m

Breadth (b) = 2.5 m

and Height (h) = 1.25 m

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) Volume of water tank in } \text{m}^3 &= l \times b \times h \\ &= 5\text{m} \times 2.5 \text{ m} \times 1.25 \text{ m} \\ &= 15.625 \text{ m}^3 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(b) Volume of water tank in litre} &= 15.625 \times 1000 \\ &= 15625 \text{ litre} \end{aligned}$$

Question 2.

A solid silver piece is immersed in water contained in a measuring cylinder. The level of water rises from 50 ml to 62 ml. Find the volume of silver piece.

Answer:

Given, initial level of water $v_1 = 50 \text{ ml}$

Final level of water $v_2 = 62 \text{ ml}$

Volume of silver piece $V = v_2 - v_1$

$= 62 \text{ ml} - 50 \text{ ml}$

$= 12 \text{ ml}$ or 12 cm^3

Question 3.

Find the volume of a liquid present in a dish of dimensions 10 cm x 10 cm x 5 cm.

Answer:

Volume of water = Length \times breadth \times height

$= 10 \text{ cm} \times 10 \text{ cm} \times 5 \text{ cm}$

$= 500 \text{ cm}^3$ or 500 ml.

Question 4.

A rectangular field is of length 60 m and breadth 35 m. Find the area of the field.

Answer:

Length of a rectangular field = 60 m

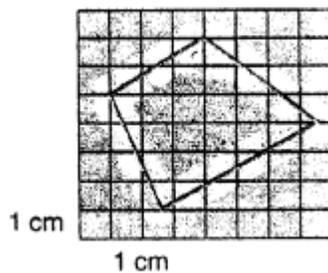
Breadth of rectangular field = 35 m

∴ Area = 60 m × 35 m

= 2100 m²

Question 5.

Find the approximate area of an irregular lamina of which boundary line is drawn on the graph paper shown in fig. 1.16. below.

**Answer:**

From figure, the number of complete squares = 11

The number of squares more than half = 9

∴ Total number of squares = 11 + 9 = 20

∴ Area of the 1 square = 1 cm × 1 cm = 1 cm²

∴ Area of 20 squares = 20 × 1 cm² = 20 cm²

∴ Approximate area of irregular lamina = 20 cm²

Question 6.

A piece of brass of volume 30 cm³ has a mass of 252 g. Find the density of brass in (i) g cm⁻³, (ii) kg m⁻³.

Answer:

Ans. Given, Mass M = 252 g

Volume V = 30 cm³

$$(i) \text{ Density } d = \frac{M}{V} = \frac{252}{30 \text{ cm}^3}$$

$$= 8.4 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$$

(ii) Since, M = 252 g = 0.252 kg

V = 30 cm³ = 30 × 10⁻⁶ m³

$$\text{Density } d = \frac{0.252 \text{ kg}}{30 \times 10^{-6} \text{ m}^3} = \frac{0.252 \text{ kg}}{30 \times \frac{1}{1000000} \text{ m}^3}$$

$$= \frac{0.252 \times 1000000 \text{ kg}}{30 \text{ m}^3} = \frac{252000}{3} \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

$$= 8400 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

Question 7.

The mass of an iron ball is 312 g. The density of iron is 7.8 g cm^{-3} . Find the volume of the ball.

Answer:

Given, Mass $M = 312 \text{ g}$

Density $d = 7.8 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$

$$\text{Since, } d = \frac{M}{V} \Rightarrow V = \frac{M}{d}$$

$$\text{Hence, volume of an iron ball } V = \frac{312}{7.8} = 40 \text{ cm}^3$$

Question 8.

A cork has a volume 25 cm^3 . The density of cork is 0.25 g cm^{-3} . Find the mass of cork.

Answer:

Given, density $d = 0.25 \text{ g cm}^{-3}$

$V = 25 \text{ cm}^3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From relation } d &= \frac{M}{V} \Rightarrow M = d \times V \\ &= 0.25 \times 25 \\ &= 6.25 \text{ g} \end{aligned}$$

Question 9.

The mass of 5 litre of water is 5 kg. Find the density of water in g cm^{-3} .

Answer:

Given, Mass $M = 5 \text{ kg} = 5000 \text{ g}$

Volume $V = 5 \text{ litre} = 5000 \text{ cm}^3$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Density of water } d &= \frac{M}{V} \\ &= \frac{5000 \text{ g}}{5000 \text{ cm}^3} = 1 \text{ g cm}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

Question 10.

A cubical tank of side 1 m is filled with 800 kg of a liquid. Find: (i) the volume of tank, (ii) the density of liquid in kg m^{-3} .

Answer:

(i) Volume of a cube = side \times side \times side

$$\text{side} = 1 \text{ m}$$

$$\therefore \text{volume} = 1 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m} \times 1 \text{ m} = 1 \text{ m}^3$$

(ii) Density of liquid in $\text{kg m}^{-3} = \frac{\text{Mass (M)}}{\text{Volume (V)}}$

$$\text{Mass} = 800 \text{ kg}$$

$$\text{Volume} = 1 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\therefore \text{Density} = \frac{800}{1 \text{ m}^3} \text{ kg} = 800 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

Question 11.

A block of iron has dimensions 2 m \times 0.5 m \times 0.25 m. The density of iron is 7.8 g cm^{-3} . Find the mass of block.

Answer:

Given, $l = 2\text{m}$

$b = 0.5 \text{ m}$

$$h = 0.25 \text{ m}$$

$$\text{Density of iron} = 7.8 \text{ g cm}^{-3} = 7.8 \times 1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3} = 7800 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

$$\text{Volume of block} = l \times b \times h$$

$$= 2 \times 0.5 \times 0.25 = 0.25 \text{ m}^3$$

$$\text{From relation } d = \frac{M}{V}$$

$$\therefore \text{Mass of iron block } M = V \times d$$

$$= 0.25 \times 7800 \text{ kg m}^{-3}$$

$$= 1950 \text{ kg}$$

Question 12.

The mass of a lead piece is 115 g. When it is immersed into a measuring cylinder, the water level rises from 20 ml mark to 30 ml mark.

Find:

- (i) the volume of the lead piece,
- (ii) the density of the lead in kg m^{-3} .

Answer:

Ans. Given, $M = 115 \text{ g}$

$$V_1 = 20 \text{ ml}, V_2 = 30 \text{ ml}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(i) Volume of lead piece } V &= V_2 - V_1 \\ &= 30 \text{ ml} - 20 \text{ ml} \\ &= 10 \text{ ml or } 10 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ [}\because 1 \text{ ml} = 1 \text{ cm}^3\text{]} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(ii) Density of lead piece } d &= \frac{M}{V} \\ &= \frac{115}{10 \text{ cm}^3} = 11.5 \text{ g cm}^{-3} \\ &\quad \text{(since, } 1 \text{ g cm}^{-3} = 1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3}\text{)} \\ &= 11.5 \times 1000 = 11500 \text{ kg m}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

Question 13.

The density of copper is 8.9 g cm^{-3} . What will be its density in kg m^{-3} ?

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Density of copper } d &= 8.9 \text{ g cm}^{-3} \\ &= 8.9 \times 1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3} \\ &\quad \text{[}\because 1 \text{ g cm}^{-3} = 1000 \text{ kg m}^{-3}\text{]} \\ &= 8900 \text{ kg m}^{-3} \end{aligned}$$

Question 14.

A car travels a distance of 15 km in 20 minutes. Find the speed of the car in (i) km h^{-1} , (ii) m s^{-1} .

Answer:

Distance travelled by car = 15 km

Time taken = 20 minutes

(i) Speed of car in km h^{-1}

Convert 20 minutes to hour

$$1 \text{ minute} = \frac{1}{60} \text{ hour}$$

$$\therefore 20 \text{ minutes} = \frac{1 \times 20}{60} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ hour}$$

$$\text{Speed of car} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time taken}}$$

$$= \frac{15 \text{ km}}{\frac{1}{3} \text{ h}}$$

$$= 15 \text{ km} \times 3 \text{ h}^{-1} = 45 \text{ km h}^{-1} = 45 \text{ km h}^{-1}$$

(ii) Speed of car in m s^{-1}

Convert 15 km into metres

$$1 \text{ km} = 1000 \text{ m}$$

$$15 \text{ km} = 1000 \times 15 = 15000 \text{ m} \quad \dots(\text{i})$$

Convert minutes into seconds

$$1 \text{ minutes} = 60 \text{ sec.}$$

$$20 \text{ minutes} = 60 \times 20 = 1200 \text{ sec} \quad \dots(\text{ii})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Speed of car} &= \frac{15000 \text{ m}}{1200 \text{ sec}} \\ &= 12.5 \text{ m s}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

Question 15.

How long a train will take to travel a distance of 200 km with a speed of 60 km h^{-1} ?

Answer:

Distance covered by train = 200 km

Speed of train = 60 km h^{-1}

$$\text{We know speed} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}}$$

$$\Rightarrow 60 = \frac{200}{\text{Time}}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Time} &= \frac{200}{60} = \frac{20}{6} = \frac{10}{3} \text{ hours} \\
&= 3\frac{1}{3} \text{ hours} = 3 \text{ h} + \frac{1}{3} \text{ hours} \\
&= 3 \text{ h} + \frac{1}{3} \times 60 \text{ min} \\
&= 3 \text{ h} + 20 \text{ min} \\
&= 3\text{h } 20 \text{ min}
\end{aligned}$$

Question 16.

A boy travels with a speed of 10 m s^{-1} for 30 minutes. How much distance does he travel ?

Answer:

Speed of boy = 10 m s^{-1}

Time taken = 30 minutes

speed = distance travelled / time taken

Distance travelled = Speed \times Time taken

Convert 30 minutes to seconds

1 minute = 60 sec

30 minute $60 \times 30 = 1800$ seconds

Putting the value of speed and time we get

Distance travelled = $10 \text{ ms}^{-1} \times (1800 \text{ sec}) = 18000 \text{ m}$

= 18000 metre or 18 km Ans.

Question 17.

Express 36 km h^{-1} in m s^{-1}

Answer:

$$\begin{aligned}
36 \text{ km h}^{-1} &= \frac{36 \times 1000 \text{ m}}{60 \times 60} \\
&= 10 \text{ m s}^{-1}
\end{aligned}$$

Question 18.

Express 15 m s^{-1} in km h^{-1} .

Answer:

$$1 \text{ metre} = \frac{1}{1000} \text{ km}$$

$$15 \text{ metre} = \frac{15}{1000} \text{ km}$$

$$1 \text{ second} = \frac{1}{3600} \text{ hr}$$

$$\text{Here, Distance} = \frac{15}{1000} \text{ km}$$

$$\text{Time taken} = \frac{1}{3600} \text{ hr.}$$

$$\text{Speed} = \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time taken}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{\frac{15}{1000}}{\frac{1}{3600}} = \frac{15}{1000} \times \frac{3600}{1} \\ &= 54 \text{ km h}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$