### **LESSON 7** Using Formulas



EVALUATION: You can estimate the answer by subtracting 30° from the Fahrenheit temperature and dividing the answer by 2: 86 - 30 = 56;  $56 \div 2 = 28^{\circ}$ . Since 28° is close to 30°, the answer is probably correct.

**EXAMPLE:** The distance (d) an object falls in feet is  $d = 32t^2$  where t is the time in seconds. Find the distance an object falls in 3 seconds.

#### **SOLUTION:**

GOAL: You are being asked to find the distance an object falls in 3 seconds.

STRATEGY: Use the formula  $d = 32t^2$ .

### IMPLEMENTATION:

 $d = 32t^2$ 

 $=32(3)^2$ 

 $= 32 \cdot 9$ 

=288 feet

EVALUATION: Estimate the answer by rounding 32 to 30 and then multiplying  $30 \times 9 = 270$ . Since this estimate is close to 288, the answer is probably correct.

# **Try These**

- 1. Find the amount of work (W) done by applying a force (F) of 60 pounds moving a distance (d) of 9 feet. Use W = Fd.
- 2. Find the distance (D) an automobile travels at a rate (R) of 35 miles per hour in 2.5 hours (T). Use D = RT.
- 3. Find the amount of interest (I) earned on a principal (P) of \$6000 at a rate (R) of 7% for a time (T) of 8 years. Use I = PRT.
- 4. Find the perimeter (P) of a rectangle whose length (l) is 20 inches and whose width (w) is 8 inches. Use P = 2l + 2w.

- 5. Find the Celsius temperature (C) when the Fahrenheit temperature (F) is 50°. Use  $C = \frac{5}{9}(F 32^{\circ})$ .
- 6. Find the volume (V) of a cylinder in cubic feet when the height (h) is 19 feet and the radius (r) of the base is 3 feet. Use  $V = 3.14r^2h$ .
- 7. Find the force (F) of the wind against a flat surface whose area (A) is 20 square feet when the wind speed (s) is 35 miles per hour. Use  $F = 0.004 As^2$ .
- 8. Find the surface area (A) of a cube in square feet when each side (s) measures 12 inches. Use  $A = 6s^2$ .
- 9. Find the current (I) in amperes when the electromotive force (E) is 18 volts and the resistance (R) is 6 ohms. Use  $I = \frac{E}{R}$ .
- 10. Find the Fahrenheit temperature (F) when the Celsius temperature (C) is  $50^{\circ}$ . Use  $F = \frac{9}{5}C + 32^{\circ}$ .

### **SOLUTIONS:**

1. 
$$W = Fd$$

$$= 60 \cdot 9$$

$$= 540 \text{ ft.-lb.}$$

2. 
$$D = RT$$

$$= 35 \cdot 2.5$$

$$= 87.5$$
 miles

3. 
$$I = PRT$$

$$= \$6000 \cdot 7\% \cdot 8$$

$$= \$6000 \cdot (0.07) \cdot 8$$

$$= $3360$$

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4. 
$$P = 2l + 2w$$

$$= 2 \cdot 20 + 2 \cdot 8$$

$$= 40 + 16$$

$$= 56 \text{ in.}$$

5. 
$$C = \frac{5}{9}(F - 32^{\circ})$$
  
=  $\frac{5}{9}(50 - 32^{\circ})$ 

$$=\frac{5}{9}\cdot 18$$

$$= 10^{\circ}$$

6. 
$$V = 3.14r^2h$$

$$=3.14\cdot 3^2\cdot 19$$

$$= 3.14 \cdot 9 \cdot 19$$

= 536.94 cubic feet

7. 
$$F = 0.004 As^2$$

$$= 0.004 \cdot 20 \cdot 35^2$$

$$= 0.004 \cdot 20 \cdot 1225$$

= 98 pounds

8. 
$$A = 6s^2$$

$$= 6 \cdot 12^2$$

$$= 6 \cdot 144$$

= 864 square inches

9. 
$$I = \frac{E}{R}$$

$$= \frac{18}{6}$$

$$= 3 \text{ amperes}$$

10. 
$$F = \frac{9}{5}C + 32^{\circ}$$
$$= \frac{9}{5} \cdot 50 + 32$$
$$= 90 + 32$$
$$= 122^{\circ}$$