

Velocity sample problems. (SOLUTIONS)

① $\Delta d = ?$ (DISPLACEMENT IS Δd , d IS DISTANCE)

$$t = 1.0 \text{ min} = 60 \text{ s}$$

$$v = 360 \text{ m/s} \quad (2 \text{ SIG FIGS})$$

$$v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t} \quad \therefore \Delta d = v \Delta t$$

$$= (360 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}})(60 \text{ s})$$

$$= 21600 \text{ m}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{2.2 \times 10^4 \text{ m}}}$$

Note the answer in scientific notation & 2 sig. figs!

② $\frac{v_0 v}{\Delta t_1} = ?$

$$\Delta d_1 = 50 \text{ km}$$

$$v_1 = 90 \text{ km/h}$$

$$v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t} \quad \therefore \Delta t_1 = \frac{\Delta d_1}{v_1}$$

$$= \frac{50 \text{ km}}{90 \text{ km/h}}$$

$$= 0.5 \text{ h}$$

FRIEND

$$\Delta t_2 = ?$$

$$\Delta d_2 = 50 \text{ km}$$

$$v_2 = 95 \text{ km/h}$$

$$\Delta t_2 = \frac{\Delta d_2}{v_2}$$

$$= \frac{50 \text{ km}}{95 \text{ km/h}}$$

$$= 0.5263 \text{ h}$$

Don't round until the end.

$$\text{WAIT TIME} = \Delta t_1 - \Delta t_2 = 0.5 \text{ h} - 0.5263 \text{ h}$$

$$= \underline{\underline{2.9 \times 10^{-2} \text{ h}}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad \Delta d = ?$$

$$v = 55 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}}$$

$$\Delta t = 0.75 \Delta$$

$$v = \frac{\Delta d}{\Delta t}$$

$$\therefore \Delta d = v \Delta t$$

$$= \left(\frac{55000 \text{ m}}{3600 \text{ s}} \right) (0.75 \Delta)$$

$$= 11.458 \text{ m} = \underline{\underline{11 \text{ m}}}$$

To convert $\frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}}$ to $\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$

$$55 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}} = \frac{55000 \text{ m}}{3600 \Delta}$$

$$= 15.27 \text{ m/s}$$

DON'T ROUND OR KEEP AS FRACTION

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \text{Average speed} = \frac{\text{Total distance}}{\text{Total Time}}$$

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

STEP 1

Find distance covered at 40 km/h.

$$d_1 = ?$$

$$t_1 = 2.0 \text{ h}$$

$$v_1 = 40 \text{ km/h}$$

$$d_1 = v_1 \cdot t_1$$

$$= \left(40 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}} \right) (2.0 \text{ h})$$

$$= \underline{\underline{80 \text{ km}}}$$

STEP 2 Find distance covered at 60 km/h

$$d_2 = ?$$

$$t_2 = 1.5 \text{ h}$$

$$v_2 = 60 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}}$$

$$d_2 = v_2 t_2$$

$$= \left(60 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}} \right) (1.5 \text{ h})$$

$$= 90 \text{ km.}$$

STEP 3

$$v_{\text{AVG}} = \frac{d_{\text{TOTAL}}}{t_{\text{TOTAL}}} = \frac{170 \text{ km}}{3.5 \text{ h}} = 48.57 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}} = \underline{\underline{49 \frac{\text{km}}{\text{h}}}}$$