REVIEW: Converting Between Systems With Benchmarks

Name _____

Key Concept and Vocabulary

Length
1 in. ≈ 3 cm
1 m ≈ 3 ft
1 mi ≈ 2 km

Weight (Mass)
1 kg ≈ 2 lb
1 oz ≈ 30 g

Volume
1 qt ≈ 1 L
1 gal ≈ 4 L
1 c ≈ 200 mL
1 gal ≈ 4000 cm^3
1 m^3 ≈ 300 gal

Benchmarks

Visual Model

1 cm   2   3
1 in.
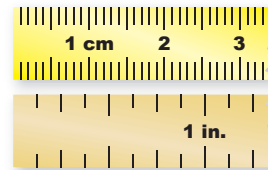
1 in. ≈ 3 cm

Skill Examples

1. $7 \text{ m} \approx 7 \text{ m} \cdot \dfrac{3 \text{ ft}}{1 \text{ m}} = 21 \text{ ft}$

2. $20 \text{ L} \approx 20 \text{ L} \cdot \dfrac{1 \text{ gal}}{4 \text{ L}} = 5 \text{ gal}$

3. $8 \text{ oz} \approx 8 \text{ oz} \cdot \dfrac{30 \text{ g}}{1 \text{ oz}} = 240 \text{ g}$

4. $2 \text{ c} \approx 2 \text{ c} \cdot \dfrac{200 \text{ mL}}{1 \text{ c}} = 400 \text{ mL}$

Application Example

5. A person is 63 inches tall. How many centimeters is that?

$$63 \text{ in.} \approx 63 \text{ in.} \cdot \dfrac{3 \text{ cm}}{1 \text{ in.}}$$

$$= 189 \text{ cm}$$

∴ The height of the person is about 189 centimeters.

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Complete the unit conversion.

6. 26 mi ≈ __52__ km

7. 150 g ≈ __5__ oz

8. 2 L ≈ __2__ qt

9. 70 lb ≈ __35__ kg

10. 12 ft ≈ __4__ m

11. 16 km ≈ __8__ mi

12. 36 cm ≈ __12__ in.

13. 7 gal ≈ __28__ L

14. 9 qt ≈ __9__ L

15. 800 mL ≈ __4__ c

16. 5 gal ≈ __20,000__ cm^3

17. 12 m^3 ≈ __3600__ gal

18. **WEIGHT** How much does the wolf weigh in pounds?

   about 66 pounds

   Weight: 33 kg

19. **SPEED** A hummingbird flies at a speed of 33 feet per second. What is the speed of the hummingbird in meters per second?

   about 11 meters per second