

**Application Word Problems!**

1. A deposit of \$10,000 is made in a savings account for which the interest is compounded continuously. The balance will double in 5 years.
  - a) What is the annual interest rate for this account?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - b) Find the balance after 1 year.
  
2. The half-life of radioactive uranium II is 250,000 years. What percent of a present amount of radioactive uranium II will remain after 5000 years?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. The population of South Carolina (in thousands) from 1990 through 2003 can be modeled by  $P(t) = 3499e^{0.0135t}$ , where  $t$  is the time in years, with  $t = 0$  corresponding to 1990. According to this model, when will the population reach 4.5 million?

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4. In a typing class, the average number  $N$  of words per minute typed after  $t$  weeks of lessons was found to be

$$N = \frac{157}{1 + 5.4e^{-0.12t}}$$

- a) What is the carrying capacity for this problem?
- b) Find the time necessary to type 50 words per minute

5. The relationship between the number of decibels  $B$  and the intensity of a sound  $I$  in watts per square centimeter is  $B = 10 \log \left( \frac{I}{10^{-16}} \right)$ . Determine the intensity of a sound in watts per square centimeter if the decibel level is 125.

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6. On a day a person is born, a deposit of \$50,000 is made in a trust fund that pays 8.75% interest, compounded continuously.
- Find the balance on the person's 35<sup>th</sup> birthday.
  - How much longer would the person have to wait for the balance in the trust fund to double over the amount they have when they're 35?
7. Let  $Q$  represent a mass of plutonium 241 in grams, whose half-life is 14.4 years. The quantity of plutonium 241 present after  $t$  years is given by  $Q = 100\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{t/14.4}$
- Determine the initial quantity
  - Determine the quantity present after 10 years.

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8. The antler spread  $a$  (in inches) and shoulder height  $h$  (in inches) of an adult male American elk are related by the model  $h = 116\log(a + 40) - 176$ . Approximate the shoulder height of a male American elk with an antler spread of 55 inches.
9. Mrs. Collins is making cookies and her kids love to eat them right away! She bakes them in a 350 degree (F) oven and when they are done she cools them in a 70 degree (F) room. Brady comes over and tries to take a bite one minute after she took them out of the oven but she shoos his hand away! They are much too hot to eat at a roasty 270 degrees (F)! He asks, "When can I come back and eat them?" If Mrs. Collins considers 150 degrees to be acceptable, what time should she tell him to return?
10. Suppose a body is 83°F at 10 PM and that the air temperature around it is 42°F. After one hour the body is found to be 76°F. Assuming the Estimate the time of death.

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9. Detectives respond to a call at Dunkin Donuts made by Peter at exactly 5:10 AM. When they arrive Peter is panicked and visually upset. He says she arrived at work around 5 AM to open the store with a fellow worker. Peter has a witness in her father who says he dropped him off at exactly 5 AM. Peter tells the police that when he entered the store his fellow co-worker was already dead. The coroner arrives to take some temperatures and finds that the body is  $85^{\circ}\text{F}$  and the room its in is kept at a constant  $68^{\circ}\text{F}$ . These temperatures are taken at exactly 5:55 AM. Two hours later the coroner takes the second temperature reading. He finds the body to be  $74^{\circ}\text{F}$  and the room to still be  $68^{\circ}\text{F}$ . Should the police consider Peter a suspect?