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A.CED.A.1: Exponential Decay

- 1 A retailer advertises that items will be discounted by 10% every Monday until they are sold. In how many weeks will an item costing \$50 first be sold for under half price?
 - 1) 7
 - 2) 6
 - 3) 5
 - 4) 4
- 2 The amount *A*, in milligrams, of a 10-milligram dose of a drug remaining in the body after *t* hours is given by the formula $A = 10(0.8)^t$. Find, to the *nearest tenth of an hour*, how long it takes for half of the drug dose to be left in the body.
- 3 Depreciation (the decline in cash value) on a car can be determined by the formula $V = C(1-r)^t$, where *V* is the value of the car after *t* years, *C* is the original cost, and *r* is the rate of depreciation. If a car's cost, when new, is \$15,000, the rate of depreciation is 30%, and the value of the car now is \$3,000, how old is the car to the *nearest tenth of a year*?

4 The current population of Little Pond, New York, is 20,000. The population is *decreasing*, as represented by the formula $P = A(1.3)^{-0.234t}$, where P = final population, t = time, in years, and A = initial population. What will the population be 3 years from now? Round your answer to the *nearest hundred people*. To the *nearest tenth of a year*, how many years will it take for the population to reach half the present population? [The use of the grid is optional.]



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5 Megan is performing an experiment in a lab where the air temperature is a constant 73°F and the liquid is 237°F. One and a half hours later, the temperature of the liquid is 112°F. Newton's law of cooling states $T(t) = T_a + (T_0 - T_a)e^{-kt}$ where:

T(t): temperature, °F, of the liquid at t hours

 T_a : air temperature

 T_0 : initial temperature of the liquid

k: constant

Determine the value of k, to the *nearest* thousandth, for this liquid. Determine the temperature of the liquid using your value for k, to the *nearest degree*, after two and a half hours. Megan needs the temperature of the liquid to be 80°F to perform the next step in her experiment. Use your value for k to determine, to the *nearest* tenth of an hour, how much time she must wait since she first began the experiment.

- 6 Objects cool at different rates based on the formula below.
 - $T = (T_0 T_R)e^{-rt} + T_R$
 - T_0 : initial temperature
 - T_R : room temperature
 - r: rate of cooling of the object
 - *t*: time in minutes that the object

cools to a temperature, T

Mark makes T-shirts using a hot press to transfer designs to the shirts. He removes a shirt from a press that heats the shirt to 400°F. The rate of cooling for the shirt is 0.0735 and the room temperature is 75°F. Using this information, write an equation for the temperature of the shirt, T, after t minutes. Use the equation to find the temperature of the shirt, to the nearest degree, after five minutes. At the same time, Mark's friend Jeanine removes a hoodie from a press that heats the hoodie to 450°F. After eight minutes, the hoodie measured 270°F. The room temperature is still 75°F. Determine the rate of cooling of the hoodie, to the nearest ten thousandth. The T-shirt and hoodie were removed at the same time. Determine when the temperature will be the same, to the nearest minute.

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4 ANS:

16,600, 11.3. $P = 20000(1.3)^{-0.234-3} \approx 16600$. Half of Little Pond's present population is 10,000.



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