## Rounding: Snails vs Rockets

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## Basic

1) Complete the following tables by rounding the numbers to the given degree of accuracy.
a)

| Number | Round off to <br> nearest 1000 | Round off to <br> nearest 100 | Round off to <br> nearest 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6412 |  |  |  |
| 2575 |  |  |  |
| 7797 |  |  |  |
| 12,999 |  |  |  |
| 24,199 |  |  |  |

b)

| Number | Round off to <br> nearest whole <br> number | Round off to 1 <br> decimal place | Round off to <br> 2 decimal <br> places |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.123456 |  |  |  |
| 0.566589 |  |  |  |
| 0.0778899 |  |  |  |
| 3.3333333 |  |  |  |
| 23.89765 |  |  |  |

3) Round these city populations to the nearest million:
a) Mexico City
21.5 million
b) Sao Paulo
19.9 million
c) Tokyo
19.5 million
d) New York
15.7 million

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| 0.566589 |  |  |  |
| 0.0778899 |  |  |  |
| 3.3333333 |  |  |  |
| 23.89765 |  |  |  |

b)

| Number | Round off to <br> 1 significant <br> figure | Round off to <br> 2 significant <br> figures | Round off to <br> 3 significant <br> figures |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 26,895 |  |  |  |
| $459,789.234$ |  |  |  |
| 0.034576 |  |  |  |
| 0.00876 |  |  |  |
| $23,456,345$ |  |  |  |

2) Jason carries out the following calculations on his calculator, and writes his answers correct to two decimal places. Use an appropriate estimate to decide which answers could be correct and which are definitely incorrect.
a) $3.45 \times 12.746=43.97$
b) $10.01^{2}+6.909^{2}=132.44$
c) $435+342 \times 10.02=3861.84$
d) $0.98^{2}=12.01$

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## Core

3) A jar of sweets contains 390 sweets to the nearest 10; thus the number of sweets may not be exactly 390 .
a) What is the smallest number of sweets that could be in the jar?
b) What is the largest number of sweets that could be in the jar?

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## Advanced

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3) Perform the following calculations for the volume of a sphere with a radius of 4 cm , using the formula $V=\frac{4}{3} \pi r^{3}$
a) Calculate the volume using the $\pi$ button on your calculator. Round your answer off to three significant figures.
b) Calculate the volume using the estimate $\boldsymbol{\pi}=3.14$. Round your answer off to three significant figures.
c) Discuss the difference in your final answers.
4) Sam is in training for an 800 m race. He states that he can run 800 m in 120 seconds. Both of these measurements are given to two significant figures. Find his maximum speed.

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## ANSWERS

## Basic

1) 

| Number | Round off to <br> nearest 1000 | Round off to <br> nearest 100 | Round off to <br> nearest 10 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6412 | 6000 | 6400 | 6410 |
| 2575 | 3000 | 2600 | 2580 |
| 7797 | 8000 | 7800 | 7800 |
| 12,999 | 13,000 | 13,000 | 13,000 |
| 24,199 | 24,000 | 24,200 | 24,200 |

2) 

| Number | Round off to <br> nearest whole <br> number | Round off to 1 <br> decimal place | Round off to <br> 2 decimal <br> places |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0.123456 | 0 | 0.1 | 0.12 |
| 0.566589 | 1 | 0.6 | 0.57 |
| 0.0778899 | 0 | 0.1 | 0.08 |
| 3.3333333 | 3 | 3.3 | 3.33 |
| 23.89765 | 24 | 24.9 | 24.90 |

3) a) $\mathbf{2 2}$ million
b) $\mathbf{2 0}$ million
c) $\mathbf{2 0}$ million
d) $\mathbf{1 6}$ million

4) 

| Number | Round off to <br> nearest whole <br> number | Round off to 1 <br> decimal place | Round off to <br> 2 decimal <br> places |
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## ANSWERS

Core continued...
2)

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| 0.034576 |  |  |  |
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3) a) correct
b) correct
c) correct
d) incorrect
4) a) 385
b) 394
5) a) correct
b) correct
c) correct
d) incorrect
6) a) 385
b) 394
7) a) $268 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$
b) $\mathbf{2 6 8} \mathrm{cm}^{\mathbf{3}}$
8) $7.0 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}$
