



## Sphere Questions for NMAT

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### Instructions

For the following questions answer them individually

#### Question 1

A cricket ball of radius 20cm is covered in ice of uniform thickness. The ice is melting at a consistent rate of  $50\text{cm}^3$  everyday. When the thickness of the ice is 10cm, what is the rate of decrease of the thickness of the ice sphere per day?

- A 11%
- B 1%
- C .01%
- D 0.001%

Answer: D

#### Explanation:

$\frac{4}{3}\pi (R_{ball} + R_{ice_n})^3$  We are given with a cricket ball of 20 cm covered in ice of unknown cm in a shape of sphere. when we have 10 of ice;

volume of total sphere would be = volume of (ball+ice)

$$= \frac{4}{3}\pi (R_{ball} + R_{ice})^3$$

$$= \frac{4}{3}\pi (20 + 10)^3$$

$$= \frac{4}{3}\pi 2700$$

$$= 3600\pi$$

$$= 113040 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\text{Melting volume rate} = 50 \text{ cm}^3$$

$$\text{New volume after melting one day} = 113040 - 50 = 112990$$

$$\frac{4}{3}\pi (R_{ball} + R_{ice_n})^3 = 112990$$

$$(R_{ball} + R_{ice_n})^3 = \frac{112990}{4\pi} \cdot 3$$

$$R_{ice_n} = \left(\frac{112990}{4\pi} \cdot 3\right)^{\frac{1}{3}} - R_{ball}$$

$$R_{ice_n} = 29.99 - R_{ball}$$

New thickness of ice = 9.99

$$\text{Rate of change} = .01/10 = .001\%$$

#### Question 2

A solid right circular cone of height 12cm and base radius of 9cm is cut at the top to form a frustum. The cut part is melted and used completely to form a sphere of radius 3cm. What is the height of the frustum?

- A  $4\sqrt[3]{3}$
- B  $3\sqrt[3]{3}$
- C None of the above
- D Can't be determined

Answer: C

#### Explanation:

The volume of the cut part=volume of sphere =  $(\frac{4}{3})\pi(3^3) = 36\pi$ .

Hence, the volume of the cut-out cone is  $36\pi$ .

Let h be the height of the cut-out cone and r be the radius of the base.

Hence,  $h/r = 12/9 \Rightarrow h = 4/3r$ .

Thus, the volume of cut-out cone =  $(\pi)/3 * r^2 * (4/3)r = 36\pi$

So,  $r^3 = 81$

So,  $r = 3\sqrt[3]{3}$ . Hence  $h = 4\sqrt[3]{3}$ .

Hence, length of frustum  $hf = 12 - 4\sqrt[3]{3}$ .

Hence, correct option is none of the above.

### Question 3

A sphere of radius 7 cm is melted to form regular tetrahedrons of side  $2\sqrt{2}$  cm each. What volume of the material is wasted? ( $\pi = 22/7$ )

A  $2 \text{ cm}^3$

B  $1.27 \text{ cm}^3$

C  $3.77 \text{ cm}^3$

D  $0 \text{ cm}^3$

Answer: D

#### Explanation:

The volume of the sphere =  $(4/3)*(22/7)*(343)$

The volume of the tetrahedron =  $\sqrt{2} * 2\sqrt{2} * 2\sqrt{2} * 2\sqrt{2}/12$

The volume of the sphere = n x the volume of tetrahedron.

Number of tetrahedrons that can be formed =  $[(4/3)*(22/7)*(343)]/[\sqrt{2} * 2\sqrt{2} * 2\sqrt{2} * 2\sqrt{2}/12] = 539$ .

Here n is an integer that imply whole volume is used up to make 539 tetrahedron.

Therefore, volume wasted = 0.

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### Question 4

Assuming the earth to be a perfect sphere and suppose the equator (0 degree latitude) is 25,000 miles in length. What is the approximate length of the 60 degree latitude?

A 15,000 miles

B 16,667 miles

C 12,500 miles

D None of these

Answer: C

#### Explanation:

The radius of the circular plane containing the 60 degree latitude is  $(\cos 60) * \text{radius of the earth}$ . So, length of the 60 degree latitude is  $1/2$  the length of equator = 12,500 miles

### Question 5

A cylinder of radius 12 cm was filled to the brim. A sphere of radius 3 cm was completely immersed into the cylinder and removed out. By how much has the height of water gone down in the cylinder?

A 1 cm

B 0.5 cm

- C 0.25 cm
- D None of these

Answer: C

Explanation:

$3.14 * 12 * 12 * h = 4/3 * 3.14 * 3 * 3 * 3$  So,  $h = 0.25$  cm

Question 6

A bronze sphere of radius 4 cm was melted and the liquid was used to make spheres of radius 1 cm each. How many smaller spheres are made in total if 50% of the bronze is wasted in the process?

Answer:32

Explanation:

Without wastage, the total number of spheres possible is  $4^3 = 64$ . As, 50% of the bronze is wasted, number of smaller sphere possible is 32.

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