



U5 L2 I1 & I2 Practice

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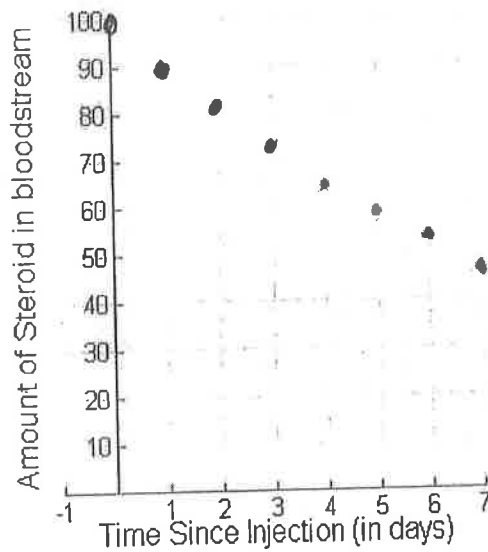
1. Recently, there has been much a lot of publicity surrounding baseball players and steroid use. Steroids, while having a positive effect for the user in the short-term, have many long-term side effects. One reason for this is that steroids leave the human body very slowly. With one injection of the steroid *ciprionate*, about 90% of the drug and its by-products will remain in the body one day later. Then 90% of that amount will remain after the second day, and so on. Suppose an athlete injects himself/herself with a dose of 100 milligrams of *ciprionate*. Analyze the pattern of that drug in the athlete's body by completing the following tasks.

a. Write an equation in the form $y = a \cdot b^x$ that models this situation.

$f(x) = 100(0.90)^x$

b. Complete the below table and graph showing the amount of the drug remaining at various times:

Time Since Use (in days)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Steroid Present (in mg)	100	90	81	72.9	65.61	59.049	53.144	47.8297



c. Use your equation to find out how much of the steroid is left after 11 days.

$f(11) = 100(0.90)^{11} \approx 31.38 \text{ mg}$

d. How long until there is less than 1mg of the steroid remaining in the bloodstream?

$100(0.90)^x < 1 \implies x > 43.7 \text{ days}$

e. Theoretically (according to the equation), will the steroid ever completely leave the bloodstream?

No! Never reaches zero!

$y = 0$ - asymptote

2. Radioactive materials have many important uses in the modern world, from fuel for power plants to medical x-rays. Radioactive materials also can be very dangerous – for example it can cause cancer. Extreme care must be taken in transportation and disposal of these substances. They decay very slowly – for one certain substance, if any amount is stored at the beginning of a year, only 4% of that amount will decay by the end of the year.

- a. Write an equation in the form $y = a \cdot b^x$ that can be used to calculate the amount of the substance remaining after any number of years. unknown initial amount

$$f(x) = a(0.96)^x$$

- b. If 240 grams (a bit more than half of a pound) of the substance are released due to an accident, how much of that substance will still be around after 1 year? After 5 years?

$$f(x) = 240(0.96)^x = \boxed{230.4 \text{ g after 1 year}} \quad \boxed{195.689 \text{ after 5 yrs.}}$$

- c. Write a recursive equation that can be used to calculate the amount of the substance remaining after any number of years.

$$\begin{cases} g_1 = 230.4 \\ g_n = g_{n-1} \cdot 0.96 \end{cases}$$

- d. How long is the half-life of the substance. That is, how long until half of the original amount remains? Explain how you found your answer.

$$120 = 240(0.96)^x \rightarrow 0.5 = 0.96^x \quad \boxed{x = 17 \text{ years}}$$

- e. How long until less than 5 grams of the original substance? Explain how you found your answer.

$$240(0.96)^x < 5$$

$$\boxed{x > 94.8 \text{ years}}$$

3. Suppose you conduct the following experiment: You roll 100 dice. You remove all the dice that are showing either a 2 or a 4. You then gather all the remaining dice and roll them again. You again remove all the dice showing a 2 or a 4. You continue this process for several more rolls.

- a. Write a “y =” (explicit) equation that models how many dice you would expect to remain after each roll based on what you know about the chance of rolling a number on a six-sided die.

$$\frac{2}{6} \text{ chance of rolling 2 or 4. } \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3} \quad f(x) = 100 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^x$$

- b. Fill in the below table for the expected number of dice remaining. Round to nearest whole #.

Roll #	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Expected Dice Remaining	67	44	30	20	13	9	6

- c. How many rolls do you think it would take until you have no dice remaining? Explain.

Theoretically, it will never happen.

I think it would take about 10-12 rolls based on how many are left after

- d. If you actually conducted this experiment, do you think your data would turn out exactly like the table in part (a)? Explain why or why not.

No. The data is based off of theoretical probability, or what we EXPECT will happen. Real world is often different.

17 rolls