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Notes and Practice: Converting Between Units

Example Problem: A car is traveling with a speed of 55 mph . What is its speed in $\mathrm{m} / \mathrm{s}$ ?

Why does this method work?

Some basic conversions:

| $1 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}=2.24 \mathrm{mph}$ | 1 foot $=0.305 \mathrm{~m}$ | $1 \mathrm{~km}=0.62 \mathrm{miles}$ |
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| 1 inch $=2.54 \mathrm{~cm}$ | $1 \mathrm{~km}=1,000 \mathrm{~m}$ | 1 gallon $=128$ fluid ounces |$\quad 1 \mathrm{~m}=100 \mathrm{~cm} .1$ gallon $=4$ quarts

1 mile $=5280$ feet

1. 8 feet $=$ $\qquad$ m
2. $15 m=$ $\qquad$ feet
3. A 5 km race is $\qquad$ miles long.
4. A 23.6 mile marathon is $\qquad$ km long
5. $16 \mathrm{~m} / \mathrm{s}=$ $\qquad$ mph
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7. 1 foot $=$ $\qquad$ $\mathrm{cm}=$ $\qquad$ m
8. 7 quarts $=$ $\qquad$ gallons = $\qquad$ fluid ounces
9. 5 hours $=$ $\qquad$ days $=$ $\qquad$ weeks
10. 300 feet $=$ $\qquad$ mile $=$ $\qquad$ $\mathrm{km}=$ $\qquad$ m
11. $5 \mathrm{~m}=$ $\qquad$ $\mathrm{cm}=$ $\qquad$ inches $=$ $\qquad$ feet
