

4. A pharmaceutical company has designed a pill that contains 25 mg of a drug. If the company produces 367 kg of the drug, how many pills can the company make?

Express both masses in terms of the same unit.

0.001 kg = 1000 mg, so kilograms can be converted to milligrams by moving the decimal 6 places to the right.

$$367 \text{ kg} = 367000000 \text{ mg}$$

$$\frac{367000000 \text{ mg}}{25 \text{ mg}} = 14680000$$

The company can make 14 680 000 pills.

Please complete *Lesson 1.3 Explore Your Understanding Assignment* located in *Workbook 1.3* before proceeding to *Lesson 1.4*.

Lesson 1.4: The Imperial System



Practice – IV

1. State an imperial unit that is appropriate for each of the following measurements.
 - a. the length of a city block
yard
 - b. the width of your pencil
inch
 - c. the weight of a loaded semi-trailer
ton
 - d. the amount of gasoline used to fill a vehicle's gas tank
gallon

2. Determine a conversion ratio that could be used to convert miles to inches.

$$1 \text{ mi} \cdot \frac{1760 \text{ yd}}{1 \text{ mi}} = 1760 \text{ yd}$$

$$1760 \text{ yd} \cdot \frac{36 \text{ in}}{1 \text{ yd}} = 63360 \text{ in}$$

$$1 \text{ mi} = 63360 \text{ in}$$

Other conversion ratios are possible, but all will reduce to $1 \text{ mi} = 63360 \text{ in}$.

3. Complete the following conversions.

- a. 5000 lbs to tons

$$\frac{x}{5000 \text{ lbs}} = \frac{1 \text{ ton}}{2000 \text{ lbs}}$$

$$\frac{x}{\cancel{5000 \text{ lbs}}} \cdot \cancel{5000 \text{ lbs}} = \frac{1 \text{ ton}}{2000 \cancel{\text{ lbs}}} \cdot 5000 \cancel{\text{ lbs}}$$

$$x = 2.5 \text{ tons}$$

- b. _____ in = 6 ft

$$6 \text{ ft} \cdot \frac{12 \text{ in}}{1 \text{ ft}} = 72 \text{ in}$$

4. Ellen has 13 gallons of water, Shania has 50 quarts of water, and Sophie has 105 pints of water. Which of the girls has the most water?

Shania: 50 qt

$$\text{Ellen: } 13 \cancel{\text{ gal}} \cdot \frac{4 \text{ qt}}{1 \cancel{\text{ gal}}} = 52 \text{ qt}$$

$$\text{Sophie: } 105 \cancel{\text{ pt}} \cdot \frac{1 \text{ qt}}{2 \cancel{\text{ pt}}} = 52.5 \text{ qt}$$

Sophie has the most water.