

Lesson 6: Surface Area and Volume Problem Solving

Are You Ready? Possible Answers

1. a. Surface area measures the amount of space, in square units, that covers a surface of a 3-D object.
b. Volume measures the amount of space, in cubic units, occupied by a 3-D object.
2. a. The following are the correct surface area calculations.

i.

$$\begin{aligned}SA_{\text{cyl}} &= 2\pi r^2 + 2\pi rh \\&= 2\pi(2.3 \text{ m})^2 + 2\pi(2.3 \text{ m})(4.6 \text{ m}) \\&= 33.24 \text{ m}^2 + 66.48 \text{ m}^2 \quad \leftarrow \text{These values have been rounded to the nearest hundredth.} \\&= 99.71 \text{ m}^2 \quad \text{Note that exact values were used to obtain the final answer.}\end{aligned}$$

ii. $SA_{\text{sph}} = 4\pi r^2$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 4\pi(13.2 \text{ cm})^2 \\&= 2189.56 \text{ cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

iii. $SA_{\text{pyr}} = A_{\text{base}} + A_{\text{faces}}$

$$\begin{aligned}&= 24 \text{ ft}^2 + 4(0.5 \times 24 \text{ ft} \times 37 \text{ ft}) \\&= 576 \text{ ft}^2 + 1776 \text{ ft}^2 \\&= 2352 \text{ ft}^2\end{aligned}$$

iv. $SA_{\text{con}} = \pi r^2 + 2\pi rs$

$$\begin{aligned}&= \pi(5 \text{ cm})^2 + 2\pi(5 \text{ cm})(13 \text{ cm}) \\&= 78.54 \text{ cm}^2 + 408.41 \text{ cm}^2 \\&= 486.95 \text{ cm}^2\end{aligned}$$

- b. The following are the correct volume calculations.

i. $V_{\text{cyl}} = \pi r^2 h$

$$V_{\text{cyl}} = \pi(2.3 \text{ m})^2(4.6 \text{ m})$$

$$V_{\text{cyl}} = 76.4 \text{ m}^3$$

ii. $V_{\text{sph}} = \frac{4}{3}\pi r^3$

$$V_{\text{sph}} = \frac{4}{3}\pi(13.2 \text{ cm})^3$$

$$V_{\text{sph}} = 9634.1 \text{ cm}^3$$

iii.

$$V_{\text{pyr}} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ area of base } \times \text{ height}$$

$$V_{\text{pyr}} = \frac{1}{3} (24 \text{ ft} \times 24 \text{ ft} \times 35 \text{ ft})$$

$$V_{\text{pyr}} = 6720 \text{ ft}^3$$

iv. $V_{\text{con}} = \frac{1}{3} \pi r^2 h$

$$V_{\text{con}} = \frac{1}{3} \pi (5 \text{ cm})^2 (12 \text{ cm})$$

$$V_{\text{con}} = 314.2 \text{ cm}^3$$