



Timester Challenge

Inverse Proportion



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y				$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{25}$

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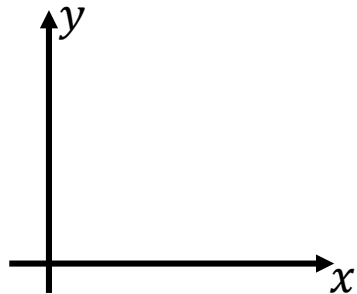
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 y is 0.4 when x is 5.
Find a formula linking x and y .

Silver ★

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Explain your answer.

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Work out the value of a .

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Answers



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$$y \propto \frac{1}{x} \quad \text{Therefore} \quad y = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$y = \frac{k}{x}$$

$$0.4 = \frac{k}{5}$$

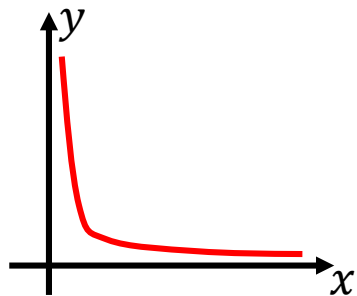
$$k = 0.4 \times 5 = 2$$

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$$y \propto \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \quad y = \frac{1.5}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$y = \frac{k}{\sqrt{x}} \quad 1 = \frac{1.5}{\sqrt{x}}$$

$$0.5 = \frac{k}{\sqrt{9}} \quad \sqrt{x} = \frac{1.5}{1} = 1.5$$

$$k = 0.5 \times 3 = 1.5 \quad x = 1.5^2 = 2.25$$

Therefore $y = \frac{1.5}{\sqrt{x}}$ and $a = 2.25$

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$$S \propto \frac{1}{I} \quad S = \frac{8}{I}$$

$$S = \frac{k}{I} \quad S = \frac{8}{2}$$

$$2 = \frac{k}{4} \quad S = 4 \text{ deciseconds}$$

$$k = 2 \times 4 = 8$$

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