

The formula for the surface area of a regular pyramid is $S = \frac{1}{2}P\ell + B$

S represents the surface area, P represents the perimeter of the base, ℓ represents the slant height, and B represents the area of the base of the pyramid.

a.) Solve the formula for P .

$$\begin{array}{l}
 S = \frac{1}{2}P\ell + B \\
 \underline{-B} \qquad \qquad \underline{-B} \\
 2 \cdot S - B = \frac{1}{2}P\ell \cdot 2 \\
 \frac{2(S-B)}{\ell} = \frac{P\ell}{\ell} \\
 P = \frac{2S-2B}{\ell}
 \end{array}$$

OR

$$P = \frac{2(S-B)}{\ell}$$

b.) What is the perimeter of the base of a regular pyramid with a surface area of 137 square centimeters, a slant height of 11 centimeters, and a base with an area of 24.8 square centimeters?

$$P = \frac{2S-2B}{\ell} = \frac{2(137) - 2(24.8)}{11} = \frac{224.4}{11}$$

$$P = 20.4$$

The formula for potential energy is $P = mgh$ where P is potential energy, m is mass, g is gravity, and h is height. Solve this equation for gravity.

$$\frac{P}{mh} = g$$



You are planning a visit to Canada for the weekend and check the weather to know what to pack. Their weather forecast is in Celsius but you need it in Fahrenheit. Solve the formula $C = \frac{5}{9}(F - 32)$ for F . If the forecast calls for a temperature of 18 degrees Celsius, what is that in Fahrenheit?

$$9 \cdot C = \frac{5}{9}(F - 32) \cdot 9$$

$$\frac{9C}{5} = \frac{5(F - 32)}{5}$$

$$\frac{9C}{5} = F - 32$$

$$\frac{9C}{5} + 32 = F$$

$$F = \frac{9C}{5} + 32$$

$$F = \frac{9(18)}{5} + 32$$

$$F = \frac{162}{5} + 32$$

$$= 32.4 + 32$$

$$F = 64.4$$

