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**Year 12 Mathematics: Essentials****Investigation 1, 2018****Topic - Measurement****IN CLASS ONLY****Total Time:** 45 mins**Weighting:** 7 %**Equipment:** Take home component, Scientific calculator

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DOSAGES

Children are more sensitive than adults to medications because of their weight, height, physical condition, immature systems, and metabolism.

Part 1:**[6 marks]**

Infant's and young children's weight in pounds must be converted to kilograms to accurately calculate medication doses and daily fluid requirements.

The formula: 2.2 lb = 1 kg

Question 1. A child weighs 47 lb. Convert the child's weight to kilograms (round to 2 decimal places)

$$47 \times 2.2 = 103.40 \text{ kg}$$

$$47 \div 2.2 = 21.36 \text{ kg}$$

Question 2. A child weighs 92 lb. Convert the child's weight to kilograms (round to 2 decimal places)

$$92 \times 2.2 = 202.40 \text{ kg}$$

$$92 \div 2.2 = 41.82 \text{ kg}$$

Question 3. A child weighs 9.5kg. Convert the child's weight to pounds (round to 2 decimal places)

$$9.5 \div 2.2 = 4.32 \text{ lb.}$$

$$9.5 \times 2.2 = 20.90 \text{ lb.}$$

[12 marks]

Part 2:

Paediatric patients, which include both infants and children, require special dosing that is adjusted for their body weight. A number of formulas have been used throughout the years to determine the best dose for paediatric patients.

FORMULA	Pediatric Dosing
Fried's Rule	$\text{Child's dosage} = \frac{\text{Age in months}}{150} \times \text{Adult dosage}$
Young's Rule	$\text{Child's dosage} = \frac{\text{Age of child in years}}{\text{Age of child in years} + 12} \times \text{Adult dosage}$
Clark's Rule	$\text{Child's dosage} = \frac{\text{Child's weight in pounds}}{150} \times \text{Adult dosage}$

Using **Fried's** rule:

Question 1. A child, 2 years old, needs acetaminophen, and the normal adult dose is 650 mg. What is the appropriate dosage for the child?

$$\frac{24}{150} \times 650 = 104 \text{ mg}$$

Question 2. An 18-month-old needs amikacin sulfate, and the normal adult dose is 250 mg. What is the appropriate dosage for the child?

$$\frac{18}{150} \times 250 = 30 \text{ mg}$$

Using **Young's** rule:

Question 3. A 24-month-old child is prescribed amoxicillin, and the normal adult dose is 500 mg. What is the appropriate dosage for the child?

$$\frac{2}{14} \times 500 = 71.43 \text{ mg}$$

Question 4. A 42-month-old needs propylthiouracil, and the normal adult daily dose is 150 mg. What is the appropriate dosage for the child?

$$\frac{3.5}{15.5} \times 150 = 33.87 \text{ mg}$$

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Using **Clark's** rule:

Question 5. A child, weighing 85 pounds, is prescribed hydrochlorothiazide, and the normal adult dose is 50 mg. What is the appropriate dosage for the child?

$$\frac{85}{150} \times 50 \text{ mg} = 28.33 \text{ mg}$$

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Question 6. A child, weighing 70 pounds, is prescribed quinine sulfate, and the normal adult dose is 325 mg TID. What is the appropriate dosage for the child?

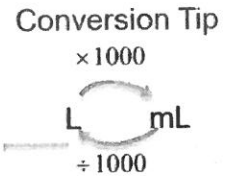
$$\frac{70}{150} \times 325 = 151.67 \text{ mg}$$

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Part 3:**Calculation of Intravenous (IV) Infusions****[8 marks]****The formula:**

$$\text{rate (ml/h)} = \frac{\text{volume (mL)}}{\text{time (h)}}$$



Question 1. Mr Smith is to receive 800mL of an antibiotic via an IV infusion over 15 hours.
Calculate the flow rate to be set.

$$\frac{800}{15} = 53.33 \text{ mL/h.}$$

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Question 2. 0.5L is to infuse over a 5hour period. Find the flow rate in mL/h.

$$0.5 \times 1000 = 500$$
$$\frac{500}{5} = 100 \text{ mL/h.}$$

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Question 3. 500 mL of antibiotic is to be infused over the 120 minutes by an infusion pump. Calculate the flow rate (mL per hour).

$$120 \div 60 = 2$$
$$\frac{500}{2} = 250 \text{ mL/h}$$

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