

Race: A race is a contest of speed in running, riding, driving, sailing, rowing etc. over a particular distance.

Race course: Race course is the ground or path on which contests are conducted.

starting point: starting point is the point from which a race starts.

winning point (or) goal: winning point is the where race finishes or end.

Dead-heat race: A race is said to be a dead-heat race if all the persons contesting the race (each other) the winning point exactly at the same time.

winner: winner is the person who reaches the goal first.

* A game of 100 points means that the person who scores 100 points first is the winner.

General statements involved in races and games and their mathematical interpretations.

Let A and B be two participants in a race. Let examine some of general statements and their mathematical representation.

1) A beats B by 't' seconds means that

A finishes the race 't' seconds before B finishes. (if $T.A = x \text{ sec}$)

2) A gives B a start of 't' seconds means that A starts the race 't' seconds after B from the same starting point (if $T.B = x + y \text{ sec}$). $T.B = y \text{ sec}$.

$$T.A = y - t \text{ sec.}$$

3) A gives a start of B of 'x' meters means that while A starts from starting point, B starts 'x' meters ahead from the starting point at the same time = $(y - x) \text{ met}$.

4) A beats B by x meters means that when A reaches the goal B is x meters behind the goal. i.e., in a race of y meters A travels y meters in the same time B travels only $(y - x) \text{ meters}$.

5) In a game of 100, A can give B 'x' points means that while A scores 100 points, B scores only $100 - x$ points to win the game.

6) In a game of 100 points, A beats B by 'x' points means that when A scores 100 points in the same time B scores only $100 - x$ points.

7) If A is n times as fast as B and A gives B a start of x meters, to B then the length of the race course, so that A and B will reach the winning point (dead head) the same time $x \left(\frac{n}{n-1} \right)$ meters.

1) A runs $1 \frac{2}{3}$ time as fast as B. If A gives B a start of 80m, how far must the winning post must be so that A and B might reach it at the same time?

A)

$$n = \frac{5}{3} \quad x = 80$$

$$80 \left(\frac{\frac{5}{3}}{\frac{5}{3} - 1} \right) = 80 \left(\frac{\frac{5}{3}}{\frac{5-3}{3}} \right)$$

$$\frac{40}{80} \left(\frac{5}{3} \times \frac{3}{2} \right) = 200m$$

2) $\frac{7}{3}$ times. $80'$ $\Rightarrow \frac{80 \times 6}{30} = 16$ $\times 8$

$$\times \left(\frac{n}{n-1} \right)$$

$$80 \left(\frac{\frac{7}{3}}{\frac{7}{3}-1} \right) \Rightarrow 80 \left(\frac{\frac{7}{3}}{\frac{7-3}{3}} \right) \Rightarrow \frac{20}{8} \times 8 \times 8$$

$$\Rightarrow 140 \text{ mt.}$$

3) A runs $1 \frac{3}{8}$ times as fast as B
If A give B a start of 90 m and
they reach the goal at the same time
The goal is at a distance of.

B) $n = \frac{11}{8}$ $x = 90$ $\frac{30}{\times 11}$

$$\frac{11}{8} \left(90 \left(\frac{\frac{11}{8}}{\frac{11}{8}-1} \right) \Rightarrow 90 \left(\frac{\frac{11}{8} \times 8}{8-11} \right) \right)$$

$$= 330 \text{ m.}$$

4) A can run 224 mt in 28 sec. B
in 32 sec. By what distance A beat
B?

A) $x = 224$ $t_2 = 32$ $\frac{82}{28} \times 4$

$$t_1 = 28$$

$$\frac{224}{28} (32 - 28)$$

$$28 \text{ m.}$$

$$\frac{224}{28} (4)$$

$$328$$

$$= 28 \text{ m}$$

5) In a 100 m race A can give B 10 m and C 28 m. In the same race B can give C.

A) $A_1 = 100 \text{ m}$ $B_1 = 90 \text{ m}$ $C_1 = 72 \text{ m}$.

x $\frac{3}{4}$ In the same race B can give x meters to C. Then B_2 is 100 m.

$$C_2 = (100 - x) \text{ m}.$$

$$\frac{C_1}{B_1} = \frac{C_2}{B_2}$$

$$\frac{72}{90} = \frac{100 - x}{100}$$

$$240 = (100 - x) 3$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 10 \\ 300 \\ - 240 \\ \hline 60 \end{array}$$

$$240 = 300 - 3x$$

$$3x = 300 - 240$$

$$3x = 60$$

$$x = \frac{60}{3} = 20$$

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