

# TIME, SPEED & DISTANCE

A person drove 60 km at 30 kmph and returned at speed of 60 kmph. Compute his average speed (kmph) over his return journey.

**Avg speed = Total Distance/Total time**

**Total distance = 60+60 = 120 Km**

**Time reqd for the first 60 km = 60/30 = 2 hour;**

**Time reqd for the return 60 km = 60/60 = 1 hour ;**

**Total time = 2 + 1 = 3 hour**

**Avg speed = 120/3 = 40 kmph**

- ⦿ Average Speed = Total Distance/ total Time
- ⦿ When Distance is constant : Harmonic Mean
- ⦿ When Time is constant : Arithmetic Mean

**1. Speed, Time and Distance:**

$$\text{Speed} = \left( \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Time}} \right), \text{ Time} = \left( \frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Speed}} \right), \text{ Distance} = (\text{Speed} \times \text{Time}).$$

**2. km/hr to m/sec conversion:**

$$x \text{ km/hr} = \left( x \times \frac{5}{18} \right) \text{ m/sec.}$$

**3. m/sec to km/hr conversion:**

$$x \text{ m/sec} = \left( x \times \frac{18}{5} \right) \text{ km/hr.}$$

**4. If the ratio of the speeds of A and B is  $a : b$ , then the ratio of the**

**the times taken by them to cover the same distance is  $\frac{1}{a} : \frac{1}{b}$  or  $b : a$ .**

**5. Suppose a man covers a certain distance at  $x$  km/hr and an equal distance at  $y$  km/hr. Then,**

**the average speed during the whole journey is  $\left( \frac{2xy}{x+y} \right)$  km/hr.**

A person drove 75 km at 30 kmph. At what speed he must return, so that his average speed is 50 kmph.

Avg speed = Total Distance/Total time

Total distance =  $75+75 = 150$  Km

Time reqd for the first 75 km =  $75/30 = 2.5$  hour;

Time reqd for the 2<sup>nd</sup> 75 km =  $t$  hour (assume)

Avg speed = 50 kmph (given)

$$50 = 150/(2.5 + t) \rightarrow t = 0.5$$

**Speed = Distance/ time** =  $75/0.5 = 150$  kmph



**A can give B a start of 50 meters or 10 sec in a kilometer race. How long does B take to complete the race?**







- i.e. B takes 10 sec to run 50 m.
- Speed of B = distance / time =  $50/10 = 5\text{m/s}$
- Therefore, Time taken by B to run 1000 m = distance/speed =  $1000/5 = 200\text{ sec}$

# DISTANCE = CONSTANT

- Distance between 2 cities or 2 given points
- Races
- $D = \text{Constant}$
- $S_1T_1 = S_2T_2$

- A boy increases his speed to  $\frac{9}{5}$  times of his original speed. By this he reaches his school 30 minutes before the usual time. How much time does he take usually?

- Ramesh sees a thief at a distance of 80 m. Ramesh starts chasing the thief who is running at a speed of 5 m/s. Ramesh is chasing him with a speed of 7 m/s. How much distance does the thief covers before Ramesh catches him?

- Ajay and Vijay travel from A to B at 17 km/hr and 19 km/hr, respectively. A is 72km away from B. Vijay reaches B first and returns immediately and meets Ajay at C. Find B to C distance?

- Surendra travels from home to office by car. With an average speed of 50 km/hr, he is late by 30 minutes. But when he comes with a speed of 60 km/h, he reaches his office 10 minutes earlier. How far is his office from his home?

- Akshay drives from his home at a speed of 30 km/hr and reaches his bank 20 minutes late. Then the next day he increases his speed by 15 km/hr but still he is late by 8 minutes. How far is his bank from his home?



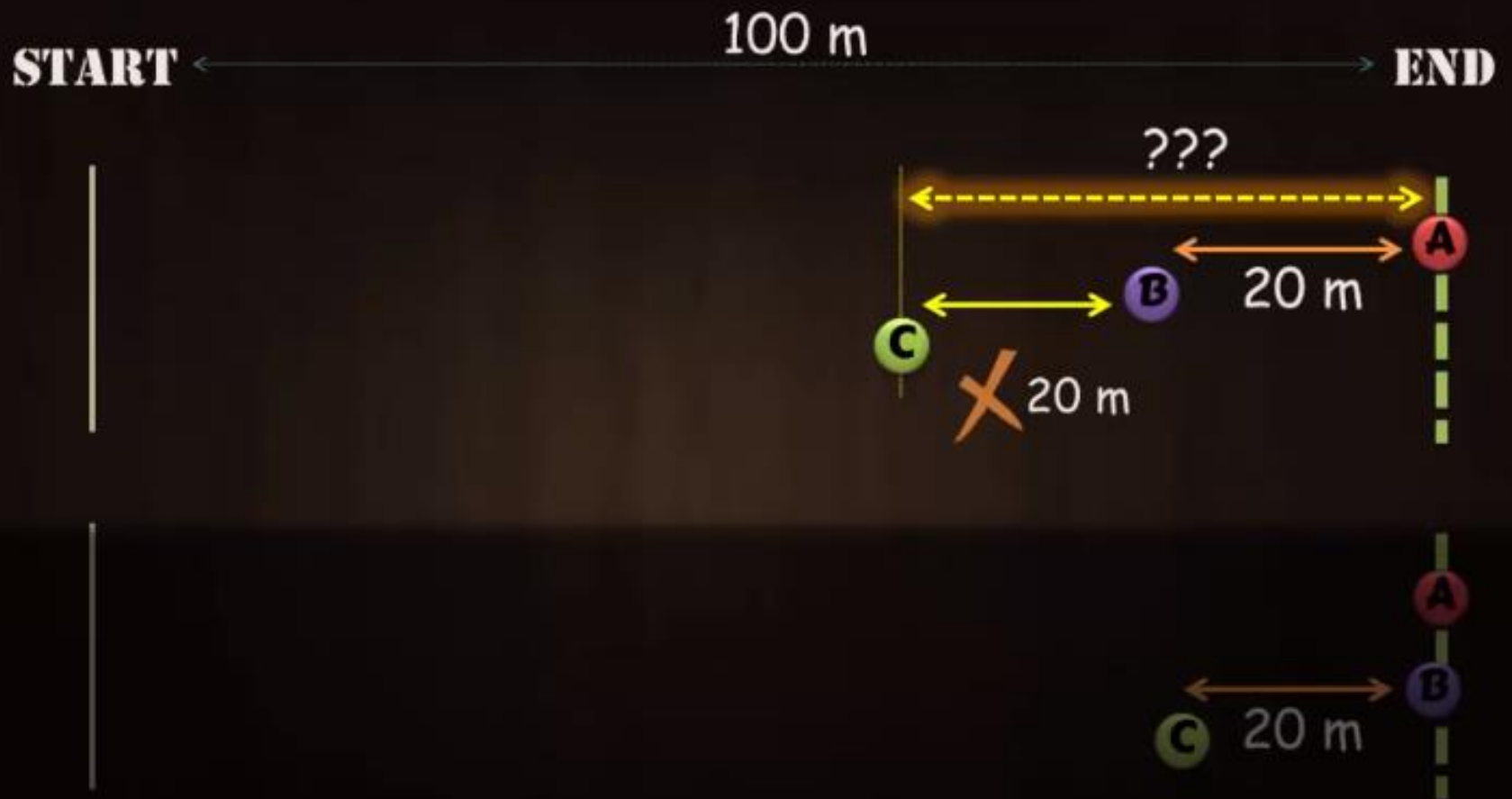
# Tricky Race PUZZLE

**A, B & C** run in a 100 meters race

Each person runs at a constant speed throughout the race

- **A** beats **B** by 20 meters
- **B** beats **C** by 20 meters

By how many meters does **A** beat **C** ?



START  $\longleftrightarrow$  100 m  $\longrightarrow$  END





$$\frac{S_A}{S_B} \times \frac{S_B}{S_C} = \frac{100 \times 100}{80 \times 80}$$

$$\frac{S_A}{S_C} = \frac{100}{64}$$