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a) How far can you travel in 4 hours if you fly with a tailwind?

b) How long would it take you to return?

## Algebra 1 Bellwork Monday, February 22, 2016 Answers

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20 months

	<u>Expenses</u>	<u>Income</u>
$550,000 = \frac{28,800m}{28,800}$	$550,000 + 2700m + 10,500m$	$(350m)(120)$
$m = 19.097$	$550,000 + 13,200m = 42,000m$	

2. Your boat can travel 12mph in calm water. Today you took your boat to a river that has a current of 4 mph.

a) How long would it take you to travel 9 miles upstream?

$$9 \text{ mi} = 8 \text{ mph} \cdot t$$

$t = 1.125 \text{ hrs}$

$$r = \text{boat speed} - \text{current speed}$$

$$r = 12 \text{ mph} - 4 \text{ mph} = 8 \text{ mph}$$

b) How long would it take you to return?

$$9 \text{ mi} = 16 \text{ mph} \cdot t$$

$t = .5625 \text{ hrs}$

$$r = \text{boat speed} + \text{current speed}$$

$$r = 12 \text{ mph} + 4 \text{ mph} = 16 \text{ mph}$$

3. Your plane can fly 180 mph with no wind. Today there is a 25 mph wind.

a) How far can you travel in 4 hours if you fly with a tailwind?

$$d = (205 \text{ mph})(4 \text{ hr}) = \text{820 miles}$$

$$r = \text{plane speed} + \text{wind speed}$$

$$r = 180 \text{ mph} + 25 \text{ mph}$$

$$r = 205 \text{ mph}$$

b) How long would it take you to return?

$$820 \text{ mi} = 155 \text{ mph} \cdot t$$

$t = 5.29 \text{ hrs}$

$$r = \text{plane speed} - \text{wind speed}$$

$$= 180 \text{ mph} - 25 \text{ mph}$$

$$= 155 \text{ mph}$$