Algebra

Brightening Sun and Decreasing Heat

Brightening Sun

Unit 2 Line Master 4a

This model shows the brightness of the Sun for the first 3 minutes after its release. Each square represents 1 unit of brightness. The hexagon has a unit of brightness of 3.





1. Complete the table.

Number of minutes since Sun was released	Number of units of brightness
1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
10	

- 2. What is the relationship between the number of squares (units of brightness) and the number of minutes since Sun was released?
- 3. Write an equation to represent the relationship.

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- 4. What represents the constant in the model? What represents the constant in your equation?
- 5. Describe what the model would look like when Sun was released (at 0 min)?
- 6. Use your equation to determine the number of units of brightness 16 min after Sun was released.
- 7. How would your equation change if each term in the model represented 0.5 min instead of 1 min?



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Decreasing Heat

When Sun was taken, the temperature on Earth began to drop. The average temperature on Earth is 15° C.

 Suppose the temperature drops 3.75°C every 1.5 h. Complete the table to show the temperature after each number of hours.

Number of hours since Sun was taken	Temperature (°C)
0	15
1.5	
3	
4.5	
6	
9	

- 2. What is the relationship between the temperature and the number of hours after Sun was taken?
- 3. Write an equation to represent the relationship.
- 4. Use your equation to predict the temperature for each number of hours after Sun was taken.

a) 5 h

- b) 24 h
- 5. How long would it take for the temperature to reach the freezing point, 0°C?