Objective: Solve problems by finding the surface area of a sphere.

## Concept

Surface Area of a Sphere is a measure of the area of the curved surface of a sphere.

Since all spheres are similar (same shape but may be different sizes), the formula for the surface area of a sphere is only dependent upon the radius of the sphere. The radius is measured from the point at the center of the sphere to the surface of the sphere.


The formula used to calculate the surface area of a sphere is $S=4 \pi r^{2}$, where $r$ is the radius of the sphere.

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Ex) Earth's radius is approximately 4000 miles. About two-thirds of the Earth's surface is covered by water. Estimate the land area on Earth to the nearest square mile.
(1) $\frac{2}{3}$ is water, then $\frac{1}{3}$ is land
(2) $\frac{1}{3}$ of Earth's surface area

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S=4 \pi r^{2}
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(a) $r=4000 \mathrm{mi}$
(b) $\frac{1}{3}\left(4 \pi r^{2}\right)=\frac{1}{3} \cdot 4 \cdot \pi \cdot(4000 \mathrm{mi})^{2}$

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\approx 67,020,643 \mathrm{mi}^{2}
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(3) The land area on Earth is about 67,020,643 square miles.

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Practice) A beach ball has a diameter of 15 inches. About $25 \%$ of the ball is blue. Estimate the area that is blue to the nearest tenth.

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S_{\text {blue }}=0.25\left(4 \pi r^{2}\right)=0.25 \cdot 4 \pi(7.5 \mathrm{in})^{2} \approx 176.7 \mathrm{in}^{2}
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The area of the ball that is blue is about 176.7 square inches.

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Ex) The size of a cultured pearl is typically indicated by its diameter in millimeters. How many times as great is the surface area of the 9 mm pearl compared to the surface area of the $\frac{\mathrm{mm}}{\mathrm{mm}}$ pearl?

(2) The Surface area of the 9 mm pearis 2.25 times greater than the surface area of the 6 mm pearl.

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Ex) A spherical water tank is 21.5 feet in diameter. The corrosion-resistant alloy skin of the tank is $\frac{1}{8}$ in thick. Estimate the amount of alloy used to make the tank, to the nearest cubic inch.

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\text { * Surface Area } x \text { thickness }
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(1) convert

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\frac{21.5 \mathrm{ft}}{1} \times \frac{12 \mathrm{in}}{1 \mathrm{ft}}=258 \mathrm{in}=\text { diameter }
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(2) radius $=\frac{258 \mathrm{in}}{2}=129 \mathrm{in}$
(3) Stipes thickness $=4 \pi(12 \sqrt{9 i n})^{2} \times \frac{1}{8}$ in

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\approx 26,140 \mathrm{in}^{3}
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(4) The alloy used to make the tank is about 26,140 $\mathrm{in}^{3}$.

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Surface Area of a Hemisphere


## Surface Area of a Hemisphere (including the base)

half of the surface area of a sphere + area of the circular base

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S=\frac{1}{2}\left(4 \pi r^{2}\right)+\pi r^{2} \rightarrow S=2 \pi r^{2}+\pi r^{2} \rightarrow S=3 \pi r^{2}
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Surface Area of a Hemisphere (not including the base) half of the surface area of a sphere

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S=\frac{1}{2}\left(4 \pi r^{2}\right) \rightarrow S=2 \pi r^{2}
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Ex) A dome with a diameter of 73 feet in the shape of a hemisphere is covered with solar panels. Estimate the square feet of solar panels needed to cover the dome. Round to the nearest tenth.

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\begin{aligned}
& S=2 \pi r^{2} \\
& r=\frac{73 \mathrm{ft}}{2}=36.5 \mathrm{ft} \\
& S=2 \pi(36.5 \mathrm{ft})^{2} \approx 8370.8 \mathrm{ft}^{2}
\end{aligned}
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About $8370.8 \mathrm{ft}^{2}$ of solar panels is needed.

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Practice) A paperweight made of blown glass is in the shape of a hemisphere with a diameter of 3.7 inches. What is the surface area of the paperweight? Round to the nearest tenth.

1. Find the radius of the paperweight.
$r=\frac{3.7 \mathrm{in}}{2}=1.85 \mathrm{in}$

2. Find the surface area of the paperweight (hemisphere with the base).
$S=\frac{1}{2}\left(4 \pi r^{2}\right)+\pi r^{2}=3 \pi r^{2}=3 \pi(1.85 \mathrm{in})^{2} \approx 32.3 \mathrm{in}^{2}$
The surface area of the paperweight is about 32.3 square inches.

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## Closure

Susana solved for the surface area of the sphere. Her work is shown below. Find her error and explain how to fix it.


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\begin{aligned}
S & =\frac{4}{3} \pi r^{2} \\
& =\frac{4}{3} \pi(10 \mathrm{~m})^{2} \\
& =\frac{4}{3} \pi\left(100 \mathrm{~m}^{2}\right) \\
& =\frac{400}{3} \pi \mathrm{~m}^{2}
\end{aligned}
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Susana used $\frac{4}{3}$, which is part of the volume formula for a sphere, not the surface area formula, which is $S=4 \pi r^{2}$. To fix the error, change the $\frac{4}{3}$ to a 4 .

