

Sinusoidal Graphs and Values

...and how to apply them to real-life problems

Example on Pg 95

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$$y = 48 + 8\cos\left[\frac{\pi}{12}(t-17)\right]$$

The top of the cosine graph occurs 17 minutes later

48 is halfway between the max and minimum temp

max temp is 56° and the min temp is 40°. Since this makes the graph's vertical length 16, the amplitude is 8 It takes 12 minutes to go from max to min so the whole period is twice that. And remember that $b = \frac{2\pi}{period}$



In a Chemistry experiment, researchers find that the temperature of a compound varies sinusoidally with time. 10 minutes after they started timing, the temperature is its highest, which is 26° Celsius. 9 minutes after it has reached its maximum, the temperature hits its minimum which is -10°

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$$y = 8 + 18\cos\left[\frac{\pi}{9}(t-10)\right]$$

The top of the cosine graph occurs 10 minutes later

8 is halfway between the max and minimum temp

max temp is 26° and the min temp is -10° . Since this makes the graph's vertical length 36, the amplitude is 18 It takes 9 minutes to go from max to min so the whole period is twice that. And remember that $b = \frac{2\pi}{10}$





Now you can begin working on the Sinusoidal Graphing worksheet on the Website. It is a homework assignment and is also due at the time of the quiz on Thursday

And no you may not prínt out a. copy. If you don't want to use your íPad, use bínder paper

And no you may not "go to the bathroom" and return with a copy of the worksheet