

**STUDY LINK**  
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# Mammal Rates



1. A mole can dig a tunnel 300 feet long in one night.  
How far could a mole dig in one week? About \_\_\_\_\_ feet
  
2. An elephant may eat 500 pounds of hay and drink 60 gallons of water in one day.
  - a. About how many pounds of hay could an elephant eat per week? About \_\_\_\_\_ pounds
  - b. About how many gallons of water could an elephant drink per week? About \_\_\_\_\_ gallons
  
3. The bottle-nosed whale can dive to a depth of 3,000 feet in 2 minutes. About how many feet is that per second? About \_\_\_\_\_ feet per second
  
4. A good milking cow will give up to 1,500 gallons of milk in a year.
  - a. About how many gallons is that in 3 months? About \_\_\_\_\_ gallons
  - b. About how many *quarts* is that in 3 months? About \_\_\_\_\_ quarts

**Try This**

5. Sloths spend up to 80 percent of their lives sleeping. Not only is a sloth extremely sleepy, but it is also very slow. A sloth travels on the ground at a speed of about 7 feet per minute. In the trees, its speed is about 15 feet per minute.
  - a. After one hour, how much farther would a sloth have traveled in the trees than on the ground (if it didn't stop to sleep)? About \_\_\_\_\_ feet
  - b. About how long would it take a sloth to travel 1 mile on the ground? (*Hint: There are 5,280 feet in a mile.*) About \_\_\_\_\_ minutes,  
or \_\_\_\_\_ hours

**Practice**

6.  $59 * 27 =$  \_\_\_\_\_
7. \_\_\_\_\_  $= 648 * 85$
8.  $904 \div 5 =$  \_\_\_\_\_
9. \_\_\_\_\_  $= 536 / 8$