

Section 8.4 Math Link

This worksheet will help you with the Math Link on page 311.

The temperature of still, dry air decreases by about $6\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for each kilometre increase in altitude. On a still, dry day, the temperature in Yellowknife, Northwest Territories, was $-11\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. The air temperature outside a plane flying above Yellowknife was $-53\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.

1. What is the approximate difference between the temperature in Yellowknife and the temperature outside the plane? _____
2. What would the temperature be for each of these distances above Yellowknife?
 - a) 1 km: _____
 - b) 2 km: _____
 - c) 3 km: _____
 - d) 4 km: _____
 - e) 5 km: _____
 - f) 6 km: _____
 - g) 7 km: _____
 - h) 8 km: _____
 - i) 9 km: _____
3. At what altitude was the temperature $-53\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$? _____
4. Describe a method of finding the answer to #3 without using the pattern in #2. Show the calculations that you would use.