# **High School / Scored Student Samples**

**ITEM #6** 

SMARTER BALANCED PERFORMANCE TASK

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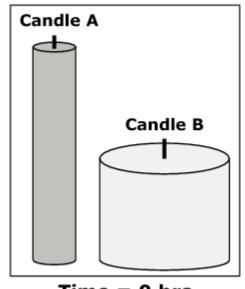
## **Stimulus**

### **Lights, Candles, Action!**

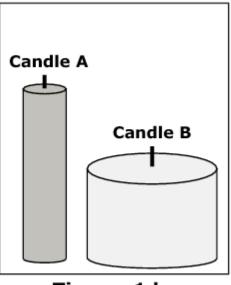
Your friend Abbie is making a movie. She is filming a fancy dinner scene and she has two types of candles on the table. She wants to determine how long the candles will last.

She takes a picture, lights the candles, and then lets them burn for 1 hour. She then takes a second picture. You can assume that each candle burns at its own constant rate.

# First Picture: Second Picture:







Time = 1 hr

Candle Type A initial height = 20 cm

Candle Type B initial height = 10 cm

Candle Type A height after burning for 1 hour = 16 cm

Candle Type B height after burning for 1 hour = 9 cm

You will use this information to help Abbie think about the candles she might use for her film.



# **Item Prompt**

For her next film, Abbie wants candles that will burn for exactly 8 hours. You want to give her a choice by designing two different candles (Type C and Type D).

Using the equation h = k + nt, determine two different pairs of values for k and n that will meet the requirement to burn down to a height of 0 cm in exactly 8 hours.

Complete the table to show two possible sets of values for **k** and **n** for your new candle designs.

	k	n
Candle Type C		
Candle Type D		

# **Scoring Guide**

SCORE	2 POINTS	1 POINT	0 POINTS
	The student creates values for k and n that result in Candle Type C and Candle Type D burning out in 8 hours.	The student creates values for k and n that result in Candle Type C or Candle Type D burning out in 8 hours.	All other responses.

# **Sample Responses**

### **Student Sample A**



	k	n
Candle Type C	24	-3
Candle Type D	16	-2

#### **SCORE RATIONALE**

The student identified values for k and n that result in Candle Type C and Candle Type D burning out in exactly 8 hours.



### **Student Sample B**



	k	n
Candle Type C	8	-1
Candle Type D	16	-2

#### **SCORE RATIONALE**

The student identified values for k and n that result in Candle Type C and Candle Type D burning out in exactly 8 hours.

### **Student Sample C**



	k	n
Candle Type C	8	-1
Candle Type D	10	-1.25

#### **SCORE RATIONALE**

The student identified values for k and n that result in Candle Type C and Candle Type D burning out in exactly 8 hours. Even though the units given for n are incorrect (should be cm/hour), the problem requires correct numerical values only, so this response earns full credit.

### **Student Sample D**



	k	n
Candle Type C	8	-1
Candle Type D	8	1

#### **SCORE RATIONALE**

The student provided appropriate values of k and n for Candle Type C only. This response earns partial credit of 1 point.

# **Student Sample E**



	k	n
Candle Type C	40	5
Candle Type D	8	-1

#### **SCORE RATIONALE**

The student provided appropriate values of k and n for Candle Type D only. This response earns partial credit of 1 point.



### **Student Sample F**



	k	n
Candle Type C	-9	1
Candle Type D	-16	2

#### **SCORE RATIONALE**

The student provided values for k and n that are not reasonable in this situation for either candle. This response earns 0 points.

### **Student Sample G**



	k	n
Candle Type C	2	1
Candle Type D	4	.5

#### **SCORE RATIONALE**

The student provided values for k and n that would work for Candle Type D if the equation were h = k - nt, instead of the given equation, h = k + nt. Because neither set of values fits the given requirements, this response earns 0 points.

### **Student Sample H**



	k	n
Candle Type C	2	16
Candle Type D	4	32

#### **SCORE RATIONALE**

The student provided values for k and n that do not fit the requirements for either candle. The student likely switched the meanings of k and n, and also did not consider the need for negative values for the burn rate. This response earns 0 points.

### Student Sample I



	k	n
Candle Type C	24	3
Candle Type D	40	5

#### **SCORE RATIONALE**

The student provided values for k and n that would work for both candles if the equation was h = k - nt instead of the given equation, h = k + nt. Because neither set of values fits the given requirements, this response earns 0 points.

