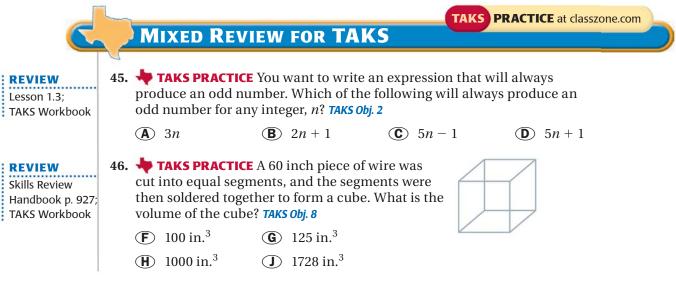
- **42. AQUACULTURE** Aquaculture is the farming of fish and other aquatic animals. World aquaculture increased at a relatively constant rate from 1991 to 2002. In 1994 world aquaculture was about 20.8 million metric tons. In 2000 world aquaculture was about 35.5 million metric tons.
  - **a.** Write an equation that gives world aquaculture (in millions of metric tons) as a function of the number of years since 1991.
  - **b.** In 2001 China was responsible for 70.2% of world aquaculture. Approximate China's aquaculture in 2001.
- **43. MARATHON** The diagram shows a marathon runner's speed at several outdoor temperatures.



- **a.** Write an equation in point-slope form that relates running speed (in feet per second) to temperature (in degrees Fahrenheit).
- **b.** Estimate the runner's speed when the temperature is 80°F.
- **44. CHALLENGE** The number of cans recycled per pound of aluminum recycled in the U.S. increased at a relatively constant rate from 1972 to 2002. In 1977 about 23.5 cans per pound of aluminum were recycled. In 2000, about 33.1 cans per pound of aluminum were recycled.
  - **a.** Write an equation that gives the number of cans recycled per pound of aluminum recycled as a function of the number of years since 1972.
  - **b.** In 2002, there were 53.8 billion aluminum cans collected for recycling. Approximately how many pounds of aluminum were collected? *Explain* how you found your answer.



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