

Class Exercise

Jenny owns a bakery and received an order to make a big, round wedding cake that has a diameter of 30 cm and a height of 17 cm. Will Jenny be able to use her large stand mixing bowl that has a maximum volume of 12 017 cm³?

You may use the following formula:

Volume of a round cake = $\pi \times (\text{radius})^2 \times \text{height}$; where $\pi = 3,142$



Answer

ROUNDING OFF

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Volume of a round cake} &= \pi \times (\text{radius})^2 \times \text{height} \\ &= 3,142 \times (15)^2 \times 17 \\ &= 12\,018,15 \text{ cm}^3\end{aligned}$$

∴ Jenny would NOT be able to use her mixing stand

[Remember! Mixing bowl has a maximum volume = 12 017 cm³]

Beware ... the incorrect answer!

$$\text{Volume of a round cake} = \pi \times (15)^2 \times 17 = 12\,016,59 \text{ cm}^3$$

∴ Jenny WOULD be able to use her mixing stand

