

**6-1****Real-Life Career Activity*****Fleet Supervisor***

Fleet supervisors are managers who are responsible for ensuring that company vehicles operate correctly. The supervisor ensures that each vehicle receives its required maintenance and keeps a record of the repairs each vehicle has had.

Some fleet supervisors keep records of a vehicle's gasoline consumption—the amount of gasoline a vehicle uses to travel a fixed number of miles—because a sudden increase in gasoline consumption may signal that the vehicle needs repair. A fleet supervisor can use the formula below to calculate the gasoline consumption of a vehicle.



$$C = \frac{m}{g}$$

In this formula,  $C$  is the consumption of gas in miles per gallon,  $m$  is the number of miles traveled, and  $g$  is the amount of gasoline used.

Suppose a vehicle travels  $149\frac{8}{10}$  miles on  $10\frac{1}{10}$  gallons of gasoline. What is the gas consumption of the vehicle? Round each mixed number to the nearest whole number before you calculate.

$$m = 149\frac{8}{10} \text{ miles, which rounds to 150 miles}$$

$$g = 10\frac{1}{10} \text{ gallons, which rounds to 10 gallons}$$

$$C = \frac{150}{10}$$

$$= 15$$

The vehicle travels about 15 miles per gallon.

***Solve. Round each mixed number to the nearest whole number before you calculate.***

1. Calculate the gas consumption of a vehicle that travels  $72\frac{1}{3}$  miles on  $5\frac{7}{8}$  gallons of gasoline.
2. Calculate the gas consumption of a vehicle that travels  $79\frac{9}{10}$  miles on  $8\frac{12}{100}$  gallons of gasoline.
3. Last month, a vehicle traveled 14 miles per gallon. This month, the vehicle travels 10 miles per gallon. What could this change tell a fleet supervisor?