

# Order-of-Magnitude Estimation

## Earth Runner (Level 1)

### **The Question**

How long would it take to run around the world?

### **Background**

This is a straightforward OoM question that requires very little background knowledge beyond the fact that the time taken to travel some distance is that distance divided by the speed of travel.

### **The Solution**

## Education Standards

This OoM Estimation problems meets the following standards in **bold**:  
*Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS)*:

- Physical Sciences
  - Matter & Its Interactions
  - **Motion and Stability: Forces and Interactions**
  - Energy
  - Waves and Their Applications in Technologies for Information Transfer
- Life Sciences
  - From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes
  - **Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy, and Dynamics**
  - Heredity: Inheritance and Variation of Traits
  - Biological Evolution: Unity and Diversity
- Earth and Space Sciences
  - **Earth's Place in the Universe**
  - Earth's Systems
  - Earth and Human Activity
- Engineering, Technology, and Applications of Science
  - Engineering Design

*Common Core Standards (CSS)*:

- **Counting & Cardinality**
- **Operations & Algebraic Thinking**
- Numbers & Operations in Base Ten
- **Number & Operations — Fractions**
- Measurement & Data
- Geometry
- **Ratios & Proportional Relationships**
- The Number System
- **Expressions & Equations**
- Functions
- Statistics & Probability