

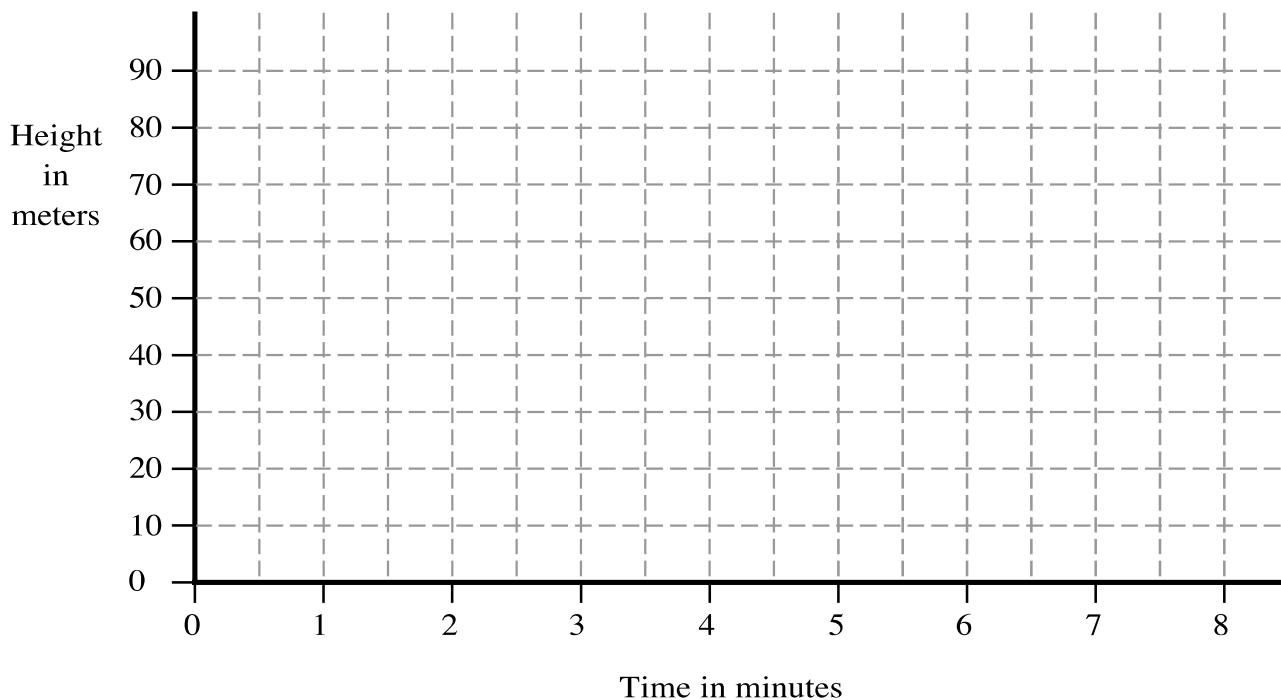
Ferris Wheel

A Ferris Wheel is 60 meters in diameter and rotates once every four minutes.

The center axle of the Ferris Wheel is 40 meters from the ground.



- Using the axes below, sketch a graph to show how the height of a passenger will vary with time. Assume that the wheel starts rotating when the passenger is at the bottom.



- A mathematical model for this motion is given by the formula:

$$h = a + b \cos ct$$

where

h = the height of the car in meters

t = the time that has elapsed in minutes

a, b, c are constants.

Find values for a, b and c that will model this situation.

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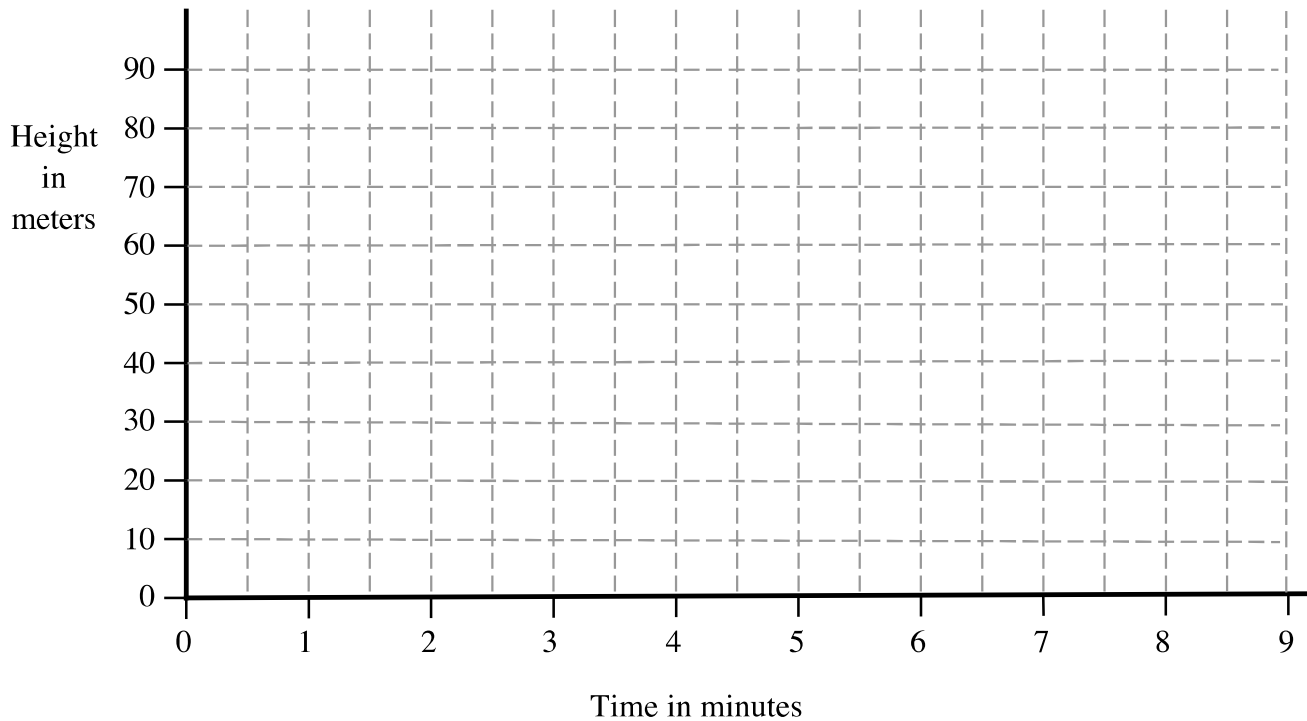
Ferris Wheel (revisited)

A Ferris Wheel is 50 meters in diameter and rotates once every three minutes.

The center axle of the Ferris Wheel is 30 meters from the ground.



- Using the axes below, sketch a graph to show how the height of a passenger will vary with time. Assume that the wheel starts rotating when the passenger is at the bottom.



- A mathematical model for this motion is given by the formula:

$$h = a + b \cos ct \quad \text{where} \quad \begin{array}{l} h = \text{the height of the car in meters} \\ t = \text{the time that has elapsed in minutes} \\ a, b, c \text{ are constants.} \end{array}$$

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