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when you hear a riveting story does it thrill your heart and stir your soul do you hunger for truth and goodness do you secretly relate to belle s delight in the library in beauty and the beast if so you may be on your way to being a book girl books were always sarah clarkson s delight raised in the company of the lively anne of green gables the brave pevensie children of narnia and the wise austen heroines she discovered reading early on as a daily gift a way of encountering the world in all its wonder but what she came to realize as an adult was just how powerfully books had shaped her as a woman to live a story within that world to be a lifelong learner to grasp hope in struggle and to create and act with courage she s convinced that books can do the same for you join sarah in exploring the reading life as a gift and an adventure one meant to enrich broaden and delight you in each season of your life as a woman in book girl you ll discover how reading can strengthen your spiritual life and deepen your faith why a journey through classic literature might be just what you need and where to begin how stories form your sense of identity how sarah s parents raised her to be a reader and what you can do to cultivate a love of reading in the growing readers around you and 20 annotated book lists including some old favorites and many new discoveries whether you ve long considered yourself a reader or have dreams of becoming one book girl will draw you into the life giving journey of becoming a woman who reads and lives well

winner of the 2019 broken frontier award for best book on comics today fans still remember and love the british girls comic misty for its bold visuals and narrative complexities yet its unique history has drawn little critical attention bridging this scholarly gap julia round presents a comprehensive cultural history and detailed discussion of the comic preserving both the inception and development of this important publication as well as its stories misty ran for 101 issues as a stand alone publication between 1978 and 1980 and then four more years as part of tammy it was a hugely successful anthology comic containing one shot and serialized stories of supernatural horror and fantasy aimed at girls and young

women and featuring work by writers and artists who dominated british comics such as pat mills malcolm shaw and john armstrong as well as celebrated european artists to this day misty remains notable for its daring and sophisticated stories strong female characters innovative page layouts and big visuals in the first book on this topic round closely analyzes misty s content including its creation and production its cultural and historical context key influences and the comic itself largely based on round s own archival research the study also draws on interviews with many of the key creators involved in this comic including pat mills wilf prigmore and its art editorial team jack cunningham and ted andrews who have never previously spoken about their work richly illustrated with previously unpublished photos scripts and letters this book uses misty as a lens to explore the use of gothic themes and symbols in girls comics and other media it surveys existing work on childhood and gothic and offers a working definition of gothic for girls a subgenre which challenges and instructs readers in a number of ways

bravo they ve given adults and young girls a much needed treasure map of heroines and she roes it blazes an important path in the forest of children s literature jim trelease

this book first published in 1986 analyses women s collections in institutional and private establishments in the united states it focuses on the development of the collections as a result of feminist advances in activism and scholarship and the need for collections to reflect the shift to a necessary woman centredness in their holdings

this guide aims to consolidate and epitomise the re reading of women s writing that has gone on in the last twenty five years this is an opportunity for stock taking a timely project when so much writing has been rediscovered reclaimed and republished there are entries on writers on individual texts and on general terms genres and movements all printed in a single alphabetical sequence the earliest written documents in medieval english the visionary writings of julian of norwich and margery kempe are covered in an historical and geographical sweep that takes us up to the present day the book reflects the spread of literacy the history of colonisation and the development of post colonial cultures using and changing the english language the entries are written by contributors from all the countries covered the result is a work of reference with a unique feeling for the vitality wealth and diversity of women s writing

a fresh voice that reminded me of julia quinn s characters eloisa james new york times bestselling author take one marquess proper put upon dependable but concealing a sensitive artist s soul add one bohemian lady creative boisterous unruly but secretly yearning for a steadfast love home and family stir in a sensational serialized story that has society ravenous for each installment combine with ambitious guests at an ill fated house party hosted by a treacherous dowager possessing a poison tongue shake until a stuffy marquess and rebellious lady make a shocking discovery the contents of their hearts are just alike take a sip you ll laugh you ll swoon you ll never want this moving victorian love story to end with an intriguing plot quirky characters witty escapades and heartfelt dialogue ives has created a read that s as thought provoking as it is romantic rt book reviews 4 1 2 stars and nominee for best first historical romance wicked little secrets will touch readers hearts ives delivers on every level rt book reviews for wicked my love top pick 4 stars i have never ever laughed so hard or swooned so much while reading a historical romance long and short reviews for wicked little secrets

this is the first exploration of the performative and theatrical force of austen s work and its afterlife from the nineteenth century to the present it unearths new and little known austen materials from suffragette novels and pageants to school and amateur theatricals passing through mid twentieth century representations in scotland and america the book concludes with an examination of austen fandom based on an online survey conducted by the author which elicited over 300 responses from fans across the globe through the lens of performative theory this volume explores how austen her work and its afterlives have aided the formation of collective and personal identity how they have helped bring people together across the generations and how they have had key psychological pedagogical and therapeutic functions for an ever growing audience ultimately this book explains why austen remains the most beloved author in english literature

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originally published in 1998 and covering a tradition ignored by most critics this bibliography assembles and documents a large body of supernatural fiction written by women in english from the end of the 18th century to the present these stories the work of women whose literary reputations personal histories and bodies of work vary widely challenge the narrow way in which supernatural literature has traditionally been regarded they indicate a much richer and more complex set of literary responses to the supernatural than has been hitherto acknowledged the writers included range from ann radcliffe and the gothic novelists to louisa may alcott charlotte gilman and edith wharton to such modern writers as elizabeth bowen jean rhys muriel spark and a s byatt the volume will be of interest to literary and cultural historians and of particular importance to women s studies scholars

how do women writers use science fiction to challenge assumptions about the genre and its representations of women to what extent is the increasing number of women writing science fiction reformulating the expectations of readers and critics what has been the effect of this phenomenon upon the academic establishment and the publishing industry these are just some of the questions addressed by this collection of original essays by women writers readers and critics of the genre but the undoubted existence of a recent surge of women s interest in science fiction is by no means the full story from mary shelley onwards women writers have played a central role in the shaping and reshaping of this genre irrespective of its undeniably patriarchal image through a combination of essays on the work of writers such as doris lessing and ursula le guin with others on still neglected writers such as katherine burdekin and c l moore and a wealth of contemporaries including suzette elgin gwyneth jones maureen duffy and josephine saxton this anthology takes a step towards redressing the balance perhaps above all what this collection demonstrates is that science fiction remains as particularly well suited to the exploration of woman as alien or other in our culture today as it was with the publication of frankenstein in 1818

black women shattering stereotypes a streaming revolution focuses on the work voices and perspectives of black women in popular film and television kay siebler argues that within the past five years in response to the digital age and the number of racist stereotypes being purported in dominant culture black women creators are making entertainment media that fights back against these racist and sexist narratives and celebrates the realities of being black and being a woman in today s world when black women are behind the camera writing directing and producing siebler finds the representations of black women change dramatically in empowering and important ways focusing on films and series produced since 2015 that are made by for and about black women siebler analyzes the portrayals of black women and their culture in bessie self made hidden figures harriet insecure being mary jane twenties and chewing gum among others siebler intertwines these analyses with in depth interviews with over one hundred black women throughout the book offering a variety of perspectives across the broad spectrum of demographics that are and are not being represented in mainstream media

this volume one in the undergraduate companion series focuses on american and british writers for children and young adults and is addressed to students in both english and education classes it provides both print and free online sources most undergraduates do not possess the research skills necessary to evaluate sites this volume will address their needs by providing pathfinders to works by about and related to key writers of children s and young adult fiction included are entries for 185 british and american writers and writing teams most from the 20th century young adult and adult grades 9 and up

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this volume reshapes our understanding of british literary culture from 1945 1975 by exploring the richness and diversity of women s writing of this period essays by leading scholars reveal the range and intensity of women writers engagement with post war transformations including the founding of the welfare state the gradual liberalization of attitudes to gender and sexuality and the reconfiguration of britain and the empire in the context of the cold war attending closely to the politics of form the sixteen essays range across literary middlebrow and popular genres including espionage thrillers and historical fiction children s literature and science fiction as well as poetry drama and journalism they examine issues including realism and experimentalism education class and politics the emergence of second wave feminism responses to the holocaust and mass migration and diaspora the volume offers an exciting reassessment of women s writing at a time of radical social change and rapid cultural expansion

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famous for her elegantly written and whimsically illustrated children s books millions of cats the funny thing snippy and snappy and tales from grimm wanda gag 1893 1946 lived a life not unlike that of the characters in the german fairy tales that her grandparents told her as a girl in a new biography for young readers award winning author gwenyth swain brings the visionary and eccentric artist to life swain takes readers into wanda s girlhood in rural minnesota where from an early age her artistic talents flourished yet wanda the eldest of seven siblings was pushed abruptly into adulthood when her father s untimely death left her in charge of the household after years of struggle wanda gag was finally able to go to new york to pursue her passion her art was eventually featured at top galleries and her books influenced by her love of nature and animals became wildly popular among children and critics across the united states complemented by wanda s illustrations letters and diary entries wanda gag storybook artist illuminates for young readers the amazing life of a charismatic artist who triumphed over adversity to realize her dreams

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the growing interest today in women s writing has led to a re evaluation of british literary history emphasizing the vitality of both well known women writers and bringing to light the work of numerous hitherto forgotten figures assuming no previous knowledge on the part of readers theoxford guide to british women writers provides in a single volume an accessible and stimulating beginner s guide to the widest range of british women s writing from the earliest times to the present entries on some 400 writers from aphra behn to jeanette winterson and mary wollstonecraft to barbara cartland offer a brief outline of each woman s life her major publications contemporary critical reception and an evaluation of significant features of her work together with suggestions forfurther reading the range of writers discussed includes novelists poets and playwrights together with mystics diarists travel writers scientists and translators the editor has carefully selected a number of non british writers such as sylvia plath who have had an important influence on thebritish literary scene in addition the guide features subject entries and cross references to pseudonyms and maiden names and provides an extensive general bibliography on women s writing it also features entries on such topics as sub genres of women s writing and women s literary magazines andorganizations concise informative and well organized the oxford guide to british women writers will be an invaluable introduction for all readers and students of women s writing in addition the guide features set of seudonyms and maiden names of women s writing and women s literary magazines andorganizations with cross references to pseudonyms and maiden set introduction for all readers and students of women s writing in addition the guide features set of some s writing in addition the guide features set of some s writing and women s literary magazines andorganizations with cross references to pseudonyms and maiden names this clear concise book will be an invaluable source for

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are some of the world s most talented writers of children s books essentially children themselves in this engaging series of essays pulitzer prize winning author alison lurie considers this theory exploring children s classics from many eras and relating them to the authors who wrote them including louisa may alcott creator of little women and salman rushdie and his haroun and the sea of stories dr seuss and j k rowling in analysing these and many other authors alison lurie shows how these gifted writers have used children s literature to transfigure sorrow nostalgia and the struggles of their own experience

liz hoare s list of twelve great spiritual writers includes famous and lesser known women whose writings have touched her heart illuminated her mind and sharpened her spiritual vision liz believes they can do the same for you which is why she has written this book each of these great writers novelists poets preachers philosophers and theologians contributes something special to our understanding of the spiritual life today with key extracts from each writer s best loved books and with suggestions for personal reflection or group discussion here is an exceptionally rich resource that you will want to return to time and time again wherever you may be on your journey

they re hiding a scandalous secret when his monarch s flighty fiancle disappears count maximillian von staufer is dispatched to find her his search leads max to discover not the princess but a look alike who could be her double desperate to avoid an international crisis he conceives a plan that will buy some time and allow him to get to know a beautiful englishwoman and time is running out lady susannah tremaine and her young friend olivia are staying at the grand hotel in baden where so far the most exciting part of the visit has been the pastries but when a devastatingly handsome royal germanic officer asks olivia to impersonate a missing princess susannah finds herself drawn into a dangerous world of international intrigue as she tries to protect her friend and her heart praise for lady emily s exotic journey captivating fabulously intriguing locales a roller coaster ride of adventure rt book reviews 4 stars richly detailed romance with unexpected characters readers will love fresh fiction

heidi the secret garden and pollyanna are all classic girls books featuring a miracle cure of an invalid character who literally gets up and walks away from illness or paralysis such stories were common in victorian novels and they implicitly conveyed the idea that disability and physical suffering were punishment for wrongdoing unruly girls could not enter womanhood unless they were tamed and an accident was the perfect plot device for this transformation other characters like helen burns in jane eyre or beth in little women were just too good to live and died so that another character could be redeemed by their example lois keith points out in this study that the temptation to either cure or kill off disabled characters has surprising tenacity the widespread belief that a disabled life isn t a full life and that patients can cure themselves through force of will endures to the present day in take up thy bed walk lois keith brings her lively and observant eye to the classic books of childhood from jane eyre heidi and pollyanna to modern american classics such as laura ingalls wilder s little house on the prairie and judy blume s deenie keith explores the recurring images of impairment and ill health in literature and asks the reader to reconsider the messages they send to a devoted young audience this book is also a testament to the singular passion with which these books are read by younger readers and reminds us of the intensity of our own reading experience as children

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are your twins normal mrs pullein thompson was asked good god i hope not she retorted the twins were diana and christine who with their elder sister josephine wrote more than 150 books which have sold in their millions around the world fifty years after the joint publication of their first book it began with picotee the siblings wrote about their extraordinary childhood with lovable but often unreliable animals and unforgettable humans their charming nostalgic memoir offers a glimpse into the lives of three remarkable sisters who went on to become household names to a generation of readers

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works of science fiction and fantasy increasingly explore gender issues feature women as central characters and are written by women writers this book examines women s contributions to science fiction and fantasy across a range of media and genres such as fiction nonfiction film television art comics graphic novels and music the first volume offers survey essays on major topics such as sexual identities fandom women s writing groups and feminist spirituality the second provides alphabetically arranged entries on more specific subjects such as hindu mythology toni morrison magical realism and margaret atwood entries are written by expert contributors and cite works for further reading and the set closes with a selected general bibliography students and general readers love science fiction and fantasy and science fiction and fantasy works increasingly explore gender issues feature women as central characters and are written by women writers older works demonstrate attitudes toward women in times past while more recent works grapple with contemporary social issues this book helps students use science fiction and fantasy to understand the contributions of women writers the representation of women in the media and the experiences of women in society

angry and humiliated when his sharecropper father is jailed for stealing food for his family a young black boy grows in courage and understanding by learning to read and with the help of the devoted dog sounder

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the historical novel has been one of the most important forms of women's reading and writing in the twentieth century yet it has been consistently under rated and critically neglected in the first major study of british women writers use of the genre diana wallace tracks its development across the century she combines a comprehensive survey with detailed readings of key writers including naomi mitchison georgette heyer sylvia townsend warner margaret irwin jean plaidy mary renault philippa gregory and pat barker

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Decoding the Conversion: 196 Pounds in Kilograms

Understanding unit conversions is crucial in numerous aspects of life, from international travel and cooking to scientific research and engineering. This article focuses specifically on converting 196 pounds (lbs) to kilograms (kg), a common conversion needed in various contexts. We will delve into the method behind this conversion, explore its practical applications, and address frequently asked questions surrounding weight conversions.

Understanding the Units: Pounds and Kilograms

Before diving into the conversion, let's establish a clear understanding of the units involved. Pounds (lbs): This is a unit of mass (or weight, depending on context) primarily used in the United States and some other countries. It's part of the imperial system of units. Kilograms (kg): This is the standard unit of mass in the International System of Units (SI), used globally by scientists and most of the world. It's based on the metric system.

The Conversion Factor: From Pounds to Kilograms

The fundamental relationship between pounds and kilograms is defined by a conversion factor. One pound is approximately equal to 0.453592 kilograms. This means that to convert pounds to kilograms, we multiply the weight in pounds by this conversion factor. Therefore, the calculation for 196 pounds in kilograms is: 196 lbs 0.453592 kg/lb \square 88.896 kg Rounding to one decimal place, we find that 196 pounds is approximately equal to 88.9 kilograms.

Practical Applications of the Conversion

The conversion from pounds to kilograms has numerous practical applications: International Travel: Many airlines and other transportation services use kilograms for baggage weight limits. Knowing how to convert your luggage weight from pounds to kilograms is essential for avoiding extra fees. Medical and Healthcare: Doctors and other healthcare professionals often use kilograms when discussing a patient's weight. This ensures consistency and accuracy in medical records and treatments. For example, medication dosages are often calculated based on a patient's weight in kilograms. Fitness and Nutrition: Many fitness trackers and nutrition apps use kilograms as the standard unit for weight tracking. Understanding the conversion allows for seamless data entry and interpretation. Scientific Research and Engineering: Kilograms are the standard unit of mass in scientific contexts, making conversion necessary when dealing with data obtained using different units. For instance, calculating the force required to lift an object might necessitate converting its weight from pounds to kilograms.

Beyond the Calculation: Understanding the Approximation

It's important to note that the conversion factor we used (0.453592) is an approximation. The actual conversion is more precise, but for most practical purposes, this approximation is sufficient. The level of precision required depends on the application. In some cases, rounding to one or two decimal places is perfectly acceptable, while in others, greater precision might be necessary.

Illustrative Examples

Let's look at a couple of real-world examples to solidify our understanding: Example 1: A suitcase weighs 196 pounds. For an international flight, you need to know its weight in kilograms. Using the conversion, we find that it weighs approximately 88.9 kg. Example 2: A doctor needs to calculate the dosage of a medication for a patient weighing 196 pounds. Converting the weight to approximately 88.9 kg allows for a more accurate dosage calculation based on standard medical guidelines.

Conclusion

Converting 196 pounds to kilograms is a straightforward process that involves multiplying the weight in pounds by the conversion factor of approximately 0.453592. This conversion is essential in various practical situations, ranging from everyday tasks like packing luggage to critical medical calculations. Understanding this conversion promotes clearer communication and ensures accuracy across different systems of measurement.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. Q: Is the conversion factor 0.453592 exact? A: No, it's an approximation. The exact conversion is more complex, but this approximation is accurate enough for most everyday uses. 2. Q: Can I use online calculators for this conversion? A: Yes, many online conversion tools are available to perform this calculation quickly and accurately. 3. Q: What if I need to convert kilograms back to pounds? A: To convert kilograms to pounds, divide the weight in kilograms by the conversion factor (approximately 0.453592, or multiply by 2.20462). 4. Q: Why are there different units for weight? A: Historically, different systems of measurement developed independently, leading to the existence of both imperial and metric units. 5. Q: Which unit, pounds or kilograms, is more accurate? A: Both units are equally accurate, the difference lies in the system of measurement used and the context in which they are employed. Kilograms are the internationally accepted standard unit.

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