

10. This problem also involves a direct application of the principle of the conservation of momentum.

$$p_{\text{before}} = p_{\text{after}}$$

$$m v_1 + m v_2 = (m_1 + m_2) v_{\text{after}}$$

$$(2000 \text{ kg}) v_1 + (1500 \text{ kg}) (0) = (2000 \text{ kg} + 1500 \text{ kg}) (6 \text{ m / s})$$

$$(2000 \text{ kg}) v_1 = (3500 \text{ kg}) (6 \text{ m / s})$$

$$(2000 \text{ kg}) v_1 = 21000 \text{ kg m / s}$$

$$v_1 = 10.5 \text{ m / s} = 23.5 \text{ miles / hr}$$