

Answer on Question #81681 – Math – Algebra

Question

30% silver is mixed with 200g of a 10% silver alloy. How much of the 30% alloy must be used to obtain an alloy that is 24% silver?

Solution

x g = mass of 30% alloy;

$0.3x$ g = mass of silver in 30% alloy;

$0.3x + 0.1 \times 200 = 0.24 \times (200+x)$ is the total mass of silver after mixing;

$$0.3x + 20 = 48 + 0.24x$$

$$0.3x - 0.24x = 48 - 20$$

$$0.06x = 28$$

$$x = \frac{28}{0.06}$$

$$x = 466.7$$

Answer:

466.7 g of the 30% alloy must be used to obtain an alloy that is 24% silver.