

Calculate the speed of an 8.0×10^4 kg airliner with a kinetic energy of 1.1×10^9 J.

Solution.

$$m = 8 \cdot 10^4 \text{ kg}, E_k = 1.1 \cdot 10^9 \text{ J};$$

$$v = ?$$

The kinetic energy of the airliner we calculate by formula:

$$E_k = \frac{mv^2}{2};$$

E_k - the kinetic energy of the airliner;

m - the mass of the airliner;

v - the speed of the airliner.

$$2E_k = mv^2;$$

$$v^2 = \frac{2E_k}{m}.$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2E_k}{m}}.$$

$$v = \sqrt{\frac{2 \cdot 1.1 \cdot 10^9}{8 \cdot 10^4}} = 165.83 \left(\frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}\right).$$

Answer: The speed of the airliner is $v = 165.83 \frac{\text{m}}{\text{s}}$.