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Drifting Continents – Math Extension Worksheet

With your calculator, calculate the distance, given the speed and time:

Use the following formulas to find out how far these continents will travel in 100 years:

$$\text{Speed} \times \text{Time} = \text{Distance}$$
$$1 \text{ cm} = .394 \text{ in}$$

Continent	Speed	Time	Distance (cm)	Distance (in)	Time	Distance (cm)	Distance (in)
Antarctic	$2 \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{year}}$	1 year			100 years		
African	$2.2 \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{year}}$	1 year			100 years		
South American	$1.5 \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{year}}$	1 year			100 years		
North American	$1.2 \frac{\text{cm}}{\text{year}}$	1 year			100 years		

Which continent is moving the fastest? Where will it be in 100 years? _____

Which continent is moving the slowest? Where will it be in 100 years? _____
