## Lesson 11-4

## Example 1 Find the Area of a Circle

Find the area of the circle at the right.


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\begin{array}{ll}
A=\pi r^{2} & \text { Area of a circle } \\
A=\pi \cdot 5^{2} & \text { Replace } r \text { with } 5 . \\
A=78.53981634 & \text { Use a calculator. }
\end{array}
$$

The area of the circle is approximately 78.5 square millimeters.

## Example 2 Find the Area of a Circle

CAMPING A popular campground is circular in shape and has a diameter of 24.6 miles. Find the area of the campground.

| $A=\pi r^{2}$ |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| $A=\pi \cdot 12.3^{2}$ |  |
| Area of a circle |  |
| $A \approx 475.3$ |  |
| Replace $r$ with $24.6 \div 2$ or 12.3. |  |
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The area of the campground is approximately 475.3 square miles.

## Example 3 Standardized Test Practice

Tami draws a circle with a diameter of 10 inches. She then shades one-quarter of the area of the circle. Find the approximate area of the shaded region.
A $10 \mathrm{in}^{2}$
B $12.375 \mathrm{in}^{2}$
C $19.625 \mathrm{in}^{2}$
D $21.25 \mathrm{in}^{2}$

## Read the Test Item

You know that the shaded region of the circle represents one-quarter of the total area of the circle. To find the area of the shaded region, find the total area of the circle and divide it by 4 .

## Solve the Test Item

| $A=\pi r^{2}$ | Area of a circle |
| :--- | :--- |
| $A=\pi \cdot 5^{2}$ | Replace $r$ with 5. |
| $A=78.5$ | Use a calculator. |

The total area of the circle is approximately 78.5 square inches. So, the area of the shaded region is approximately $\frac{78.5}{4}$ or 19.625 square inches and the answer is C.

