Question:

A liquid has a specific heat of 2.81 J/g°C, a mass of 90.0 g, and an initial temperature of 25.0 °C. What is the new temperature of the liquid if 2,350 J of energy are removed from it?

A. 1.57 °C

B. 9.30 °C

C. 15.7 °C

D. 34.3 °C

E. None of the Above

Solution:

The heat removed from the liquid: $Q=cm\Delta T$

Where $\Delta T = T_0 - T$

T_o – initial temperature

T – final temperature

$$\Delta T = \frac{Q}{cm} = \frac{2,350 \text{ J}}{2.81 \text{ } \frac{\text{J}}{\text{g}^{\circ}\text{C}} \times 90.0 \text{ g}} = 9.29^{\circ}\text{C}$$

 $T = T_0 - \Delta T = 25.0^{\circ}C - 9.29^{\circ}C = 15.7^{\circ}C$

Answer:

C. 15.7 °C