

## Answer to the Question #89199 – Math – Algebra

### Question

Ronna bought some cans of paint and  $\frac{5}{8}$  of a liter of special paint additive formulated to reduce mildew. Before painting her house, she used all of the additive to put  $\frac{1}{8}$  of a liter of additive in each can. How many cans of paint did Ronna buy?

### Solution

Let the number of cans =  $x$

The quantity of additive mixed in each liter =  $\frac{1}{8}$

Total additive mixed =  $\frac{5}{8}$  liter

So,  $x \left(\frac{1}{8}\right) = \frac{5}{8}$

Cross multiplication will give  $x = 8 \left(\frac{5}{8}\right)$

= 5 cans

Therefore, she purchased 5 cans of paint.

**Answer:** 5 cans of paint.