

Incorrect. Use the formula  $d = rt$  to represent both legs of the journey:

	Distance	=	Rate	*	Time
Outgoing	$d$	=	$r$	*	1
Incoming	$d$	=	$r-3$	*	1.5

The distances,  $d$ , is the same in both trips because she took the same path home as she did on the way out. And if you assign a rate of  $r$  for the outgoing trip, her rate has to be  $r - 3$  on the way back, since she skied 3 mph slower during that leg of the trip. You know the return trip took 1.5 hours because the entire trip took 2.5 hours, and she skied for 1 hour before she turned around .