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$$P = \frac{dQ}{dt} = \frac{dU}{dt} = \frac{dU}{dT} \frac{dT}{dt} = mc \frac{dT}{dt}$$

$$\longrightarrow c = \frac{P}{m \frac{dT}{dt}} = \frac{100 \text{W}}{(0.4 \text{kg})(\frac{15}{150}C^{\circ}/\text{s})} = 2500 \frac{\text{J}}{C^{\circ} \cdot \text{kg}}$$