

**13.29. Model:** The triangle is a rigid body rotating about an axis through the center.

**Visualize:** Please refer to Figure Ex13.28. Each 200 g mass is a distance  $r$  away from the axis of rotation, where  $r$  is given by

$$\frac{0.20 \text{ m}}{r} = \cos 30^\circ \Rightarrow r = \frac{0.20 \text{ m}}{\cos 30^\circ} = 0.2309 \text{ m}$$

**Solve:** The moment of inertia of the triangle is  $I = 3 \times mr^2 = 3(0.200 \text{ kg})(0.2309 \text{ m})^2 = 0.0320 \text{ kg m}^2$ . The frequency of rotation is given as 5.0 revolution per s or  $10\pi \text{ rad/s}$ . The rotational kinetic energy is

$$K_{\text{rot.}} = \frac{1}{2} I \omega^2 = \frac{1}{2} (0.0320 \text{ kg m}^2)(10.0\pi \text{ rad/s})^2 = 15.8 \text{ J}$$