

# AREA and PERIMETER

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#### **Overview**

#### Area and Perimeter we learn to:

- -Measure Perimeter -Perimeter on a Grid
- -Perimeter of a Rectangle -Perimeter of Rectilinear Shapes
  - -Calculate Perimeter -Counting Squares
- -Area of Rectangles -Area of Compound/ Irregular Shapes.

This learning is important because it helps us to understand and measure the size of things in the world around us.

> It helps us to grasp ideas such as where things will fit, what size items are in comparison to one another and distances that need to be travelled.

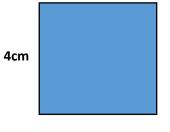
### **Areas of Squares and Rectangles**

-Area is the term used to describe the amount of space taken up by a 2D shape or surface.

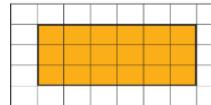
-Area is measured in square units - cm<sup>2</sup>, m<sup>2</sup> or km<sup>2</sup>.

-We calculate area by multiplying the length of a shape by its width.





All sides on a square are the same length. So, the area is 4cm x 4cm = 16cm<sup>2</sup>



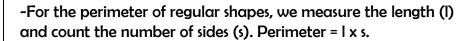
2cm 4cm

The length is 4cm. The width is 2cm. So, the area is 4cm x 2cm = 8cm<sup>2</sup>

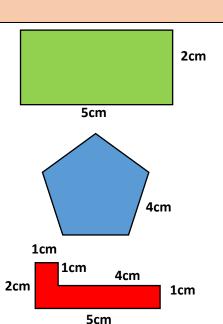
We can calculate the area of a rectangle on a grid. E.g. this rectangle is 6 squares x 3 squares = 18 squares.

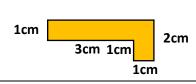
#### **Perimeter**

- -Perimeter is the distance around the outside of a shape.
- -For the perimeter of a rectangle, we calculate:  $(1 + w) \times 2$ .
- -e.g. the perimeter of this rectangle is  $(5cm+2cm) \times 2 = 14cm$ .



- -e.g. the perimeter of this pentagon is 4 cm x 5 = 20 cm.
- -For the perimeter of irregular shapes we simply add the length of sides together. e.g. 1cm + 1cm + 4cm + 1cm + 5cm + 2cm = 14cm.
- -The perimeter of rectilinear shapes with missing sides can be calculated by using the opposite sides for reference. A = 3cm + 1cm = 4cm. Total perimeter = 4cm + 2cm + 1cm + 1cm + 3cm + 1cm = 12cm.



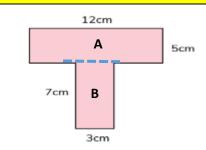


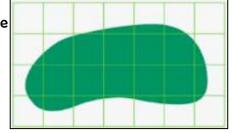
#### **Areas of Compound and Irregular Shapes**

- -To find the area of compound shapes, we divide the shape into rectangles with known lengths and widths.
- -E.g. area of rectangle  $A = 12cm \times 5cm = 60cm^2$
- -Area of rectangle  $B = 7 \text{cm} \times 3 \text{cm} = 21 \text{cm}^2$
- -60cm<sup>2</sup> + 21cm<sup>2</sup> = 81cm<sup>2</sup>
- -We can estimate the area of irregular shapes on grids by adding the number of whole squares to half the part squares.

E.g. Whole squares = 7 Part squares = 18

-Estimate = 7cm (whole squares) + 9cm (half part squares) = 16cm<sup>2</sup>





#### **Key Vocabulary**

Length Height

Width

Perimeter

Equivalent

Rectangle

Rectilinear

Kilometre (km)

Metre (m)

**Dimensions**