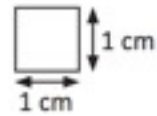


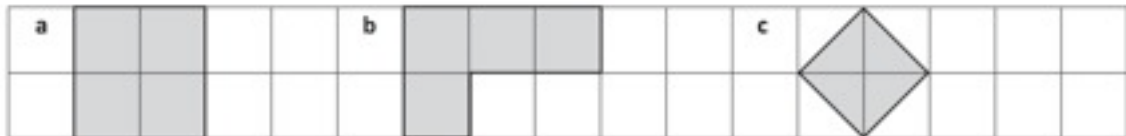
# Measuring Area

## Area – square units

Area is the amount of space a shape covers. It is a 2D measurement.  
We measure area in square units. For small areas we use square centimetres.



1 What is the area of each shaded shape? Each square has an area of 1 cm<sup>2</sup>.



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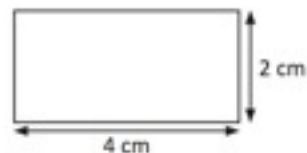
Area =  cm<sup>2</sup>

## Area – find area using formulae

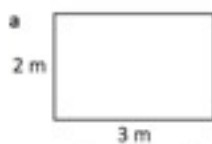
We can use this formula to find the area of rectangles.

$$\text{Area} = \text{Length} \times \text{Width}$$

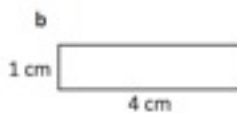
$$\text{Area} = 4 \text{ cm} \times 2 \text{ cm} = 8 \text{ cm}^2$$



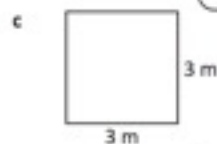
1 Use the formula  $A = L \times W$  to help you find the areas\* of:



A =



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This saves us from ruling up grids and counting squares.



\*Not drawn to scale.

2 Find the area of the following:

a A rectangle measuring 8 cm × 5 cm

b A box measuring 30 cm × 7 cm

c A pool measuring 25 m × 10 m

d A phone measuring 4.5 cm × 10 cm

e A book measuring 35 cm × 12 cm

f A field measuring 60 m × 25 m

g A town square with 4 sides of 10 m

h A rug measuring 10.2 m × 3.4 m

**3 Answer these area word problems:**

**a** Marianne wants to buy new carpet for her bedroom. Her room is  $3\text{ m} \times 4\text{ m}$  and the carpet she wants costs  $\$50$  per  $\text{m}^2$ . How much will the new carpet cost her?

**b** A book is  $12\text{ cm}$  longer than it is wide. If it is  $10\text{ cm}$  wide, what is the area of the book?

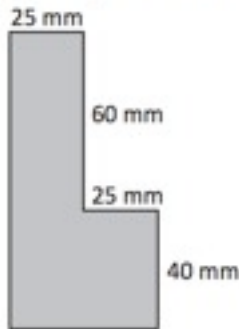
**c** A garden has an area of  $35\text{ m}^2$ . If the garden is  $7\text{ m}$  long, what is its width?

**d** The area of a rectangle is  $48\text{ cm}^2$ . What might be the length and width?  
Come up with 2 options:

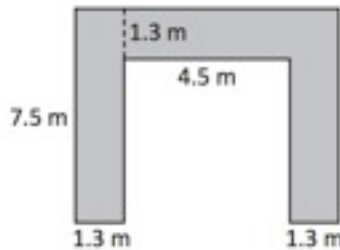
Option 1 L =  W =

Option 2 L =  W =

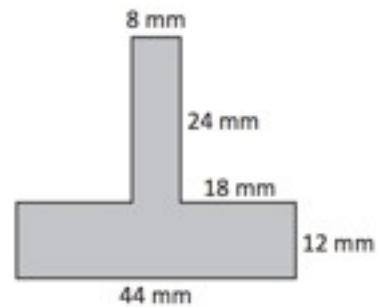
**4 Work out the perimeter of these shapes\* using the known measurements to guide you:**



**a** P =



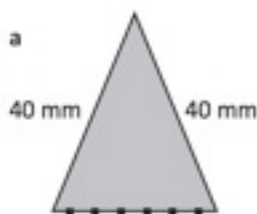
**b** P =



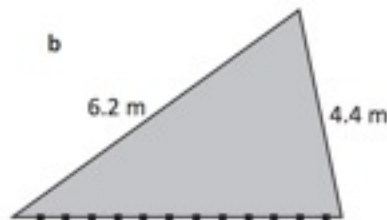
**c** P =

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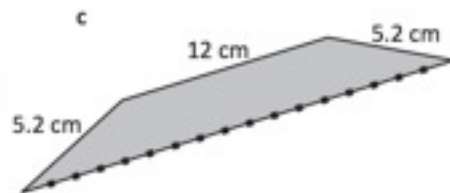
**5 What is the length of the dotted line in each shape\*?**




P = 110 mm




P = 16.6 m




P = 44 cm

## Area – find area using formulae

Each triangle is half of a rectangle.  
To find the area of a triangle, we find the area of the rectangle and then divide by two.



$$\text{Rectangle} = 8 \text{ cm} \times 4 \text{ cm} = 32 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Triangle} = 32 \text{ cm}^2 \div 2 = 16 \text{ cm}^2$$

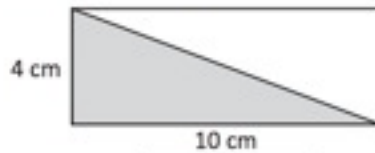
The formula for this is:

$$\frac{1}{2} \text{ Base} \times \text{Height}$$

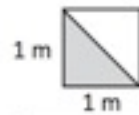
4 Find the area of the shaded triangles inside the rectangles\*:



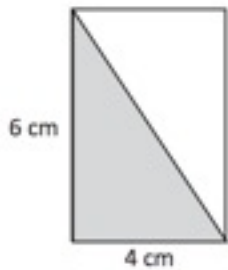
a Area =  cm<sup>2</sup>



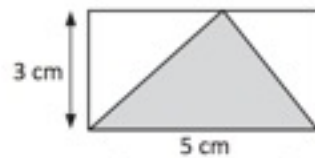
b Area =  cm<sup>2</sup>



c Area =  m<sup>2</sup>



d Area =  cm<sup>2</sup>



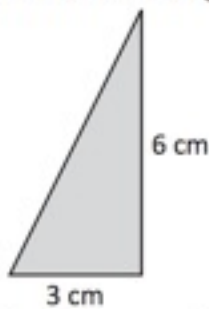
e Area =  cm<sup>2</sup>

This works for all triangles – right angled, isosceles, equilateral and scalene. One formula fits all!

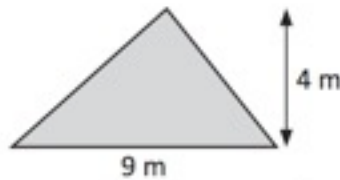


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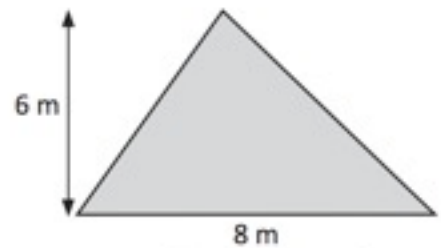
5 Find the area of these triangles\* using the formula  $\frac{1}{2} \text{ Base} \times \text{Height}$ :



a Area =  cm<sup>2</sup>



b Area =  m<sup>2</sup>



c Area =  m<sup>2</sup>

d A triangle with a base of 12 cm and height of 7 cm

e A triangle with a base of 17 m and a height of 14 m

f A triangle with a base of 10.2 m and a height of 9 m