

EXERCISES

1. Which type?

Put the following units of measurement into their correct categories.

acre fluid ounce foot gallon hectare
inch quart square yard pint pound
square mile stone ton yard

Length	Area	Volume	Mass

2. Short forms

Write out the full terms for the units of measurement that are abbreviated here.

- a) lb. _____
- b) ft. _____
- c) fl. oz. _____
- d) cwt. _____
- e) oz. _____
- f) pt. _____
- g) gal. _____
- h) in. _____
- i) sq. mi. _____
- j) qt. _____
- k) yd. _____
- l) 2' 5" _____

★ FOR MORE INFORMATION

- BIPM (Bureau International des Poids et Mesures) / The International System of Units (SI), www.bipm.fr/en/si/
- National Institute of Standards and Technology (US), <http://usms.nist.gov/>
- National Weights and Measures Laboratory (UK), www.nwml.gov.uk
- Swiss Federal Office of Metrology, includes English and metric conversions, www.metas.ch



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Useful vocabulary

accurate ['ækjərət]	präzise
acre ['eɪkə]	anglo-am. Morgen (0,40 ha)
apothecaries' units [ə'pɒθəkərɪz, 'juːnɪts]	Apothekergewicht
area ['eəriə]	Fläche
avoirdu pois [ə'vɔːdʒu'pɔː]	(gesetzliches) Handels-gewicht
billion ['bɪljən]	Milliarde(n)
billionth ['bɪljənθ]	Milliardstel
calibrate ['kælɪbrət]	kalibrieren, eichen
capacity [kə'pæsəti]	Fassungsvermögen, Volumen
conversion [kən'veɪʃən]	Umrechnung
convert [kən'veɪt]	umrechnen
cubic ['kjuːbɪk]	Kubik-
decimal place ['desəmə'l pleɪs]	Dezimalstelle, Stelle nach dem Komma
decimal point ['desəmə'l pɔɪnt]	Dezimalzeichen; Komma
fluid ounce ['flʊɪd 'aʊns]	Flüssigunze (UK 28,41 ml; US 29,57 ml)
foot [fʊt]	Fuß (30,48 cm)
furlong ['fɜːlɒŋ]	Achtmile (201,17 m)
gallon ['gælən]	Gallone (UK 4,55 l; US 3,79 l)
grain [greɪn]	Gran (0,065 g)
hectare ['hekteɪ]	Hektar (10.000 m²)
hundredweight ['hʌndrədweɪt]	Zentner (UK 50,80 kg; US 45,36 kg)
Imperial System of Measurement (im'piəriəl sɪstəm əv 'meɪzəmənt] UK	britisches Maßsystem
inch [ɪnʃ]	Zoll (2,54 cm)
length [lengθ]	Länge
mass [mæs]	Masse, Gewicht
measure ['meɪʒə]	Maß, messen
measurement ['meɪzəmənt]	Maß(einheit); Abmessung; Messen
metric system ['metrɪk sɪstəm]	metrisches System
metrification [ˌmetrɪfɪ'keɪʃən]	Einführung des metrischen Systems
metrology [mə'trɒlədʒɪ]	Messkunde, Messwesen; Messtechnik
mile [maɪl]	Meile (1,61 km)
million ['mɪljən]	Million(en)
millionth ['mɪljənθ]	Millionstel
nautical mile [ˌnɔːtɪkəl 'maɪl]	Seemeile
ounce [aʊns]	Unze (28,35 g)
pint ['paɪnt]	Pint (UK 0,57 l; US 0,47 l)
pound [paʊnd]	Pfund (0,45 kg)
quart ['kwɔːt] US	Flüssigkeitsmaß (0,95 l)
square ['skweɪ]	Quadrat-
standard ['stændəd]	Norm; Eichmaß
stone [stəʊn] UK	Gewichteinheit (6,35 kg)
ton [tʌn]	Tonne (UK 1016,05 kg; US 907,19 kg)
trillion ['trɪljən]	Billion(en)
trillionth ['trɪljənθ]	Billionstel
troy [troɪ]	Troygewicht (für Edelsteine, Edelmetalle und Arzneien)
unit ['juːnɪt]	Einheit
unit of length [juːnɪt əv 'lengθ]	Längenmaß
unit of measurement [juːnɪt əv 'meɪzəmənt]	Maßeinheit
US Customary System of Units [ˌjuː əs 'kʌstəməri sɪstəm əv 'juːnɪts] US	amerikanisches Maßsystem
volume ['vɒljʊm]	Volumen, Inhalt
weights and measures [ˌweɪts ən 'meɪʒəz]	Maße und Gewichte
yard [jɑːd]	Yard (91,44 cm)