Educational Worksheet

Answer Key: Map Scale Problems

Grade 7 Mathematics - Medium Difficulty Total Marks: 40

Section A: Understanding Scale

- 1. 1 cm = 50,000 cm = 500 m = 0.5 km
- 2. **1:25,000** shows more detail (smaller scale number = more detail)
- 3. 1 cm : 2 km = 1:200,000; 1 cm : 500 m = 1:50,000; 2 cm : 1 km = 1:50,000

Section B: Map Distance to Real Distance

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4.5 \times 20,000 = 100,000 \text{ cm} = 1,000 \text{ m}
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- $5.3.5 \times 50,000 = 175,000 \text{ cm} = 1.75 \text{ km}$
- $6.8 \times 25,000 = 200,000 \text{ cm} = 2,000 \text{ m}$
- $7.2.4 \times 100,000 = 240,000 \text{ cm} = 2.4 \text{ km}$
- 8. $12.5 \times 10,000 = 125,000 \text{ cm} = 1,250 \text{ m}$
- 9. $6.8 \times 75,000 = 510,000 \text{ cm} = 5.1 \text{ km}$
- $10.4.5 \times 200,000 = 900,000 \text{ cm} = 9 \text{ km}$
- $11.9.2 \times 15,000 = 138,000 \text{ cm} = 1,380 \text{ m}$

Section C: Real Distance to Map Distance

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12. 1.5 km = 150.000 cm \div 30.000 = 5 cm
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- 13. $800 \text{ m} = 80.000 \text{ cm} \div 40.000 = 2 \text{ cm}$
- 14. 2.5 km = 250,000 cm $\div 25,000$ = **10 cm**
- 15. 1,200 m = 120,000 cm \div 60,000 = 2 cm
- 16. $3.2 \text{ km} = 320,000 \text{ cm} \div 80,000 = 4 \text{ cm}$
- 17. $750 \text{ m} = 75,000 \text{ cm} \div 50,000 = 1.5 \text{ cm}$
- 18. $1.75 \text{ km} = 175,000 \text{ cm} \div 35,000 = 5 \text{ cm}$
- 19. 900 m = 90,000 cm \div 45,000 = 2 cm

Section D: Scale Drawing Problems

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20. 24 m = 2,400 cm \div 200 = 12 cm
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- 21. 8 cm \times 500 = 4,000 cm = **40 m**; 6 cm \times 500 = 3,000 cm = **30 m**
- 22. $4.8 \text{ m} = 480 \text{ cm} \div 32 = 15 \text{ cm}$
- 23. 5.5 m \div 100 = **5.5 cm**: 4.2 m \div 100 = **4.2 cm**

Section E: Real-World Applications

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26. (15 + 8) \times 2,000 = 23 \times 2,000 = 46,000 \text{ cm} = 460 \text{ m}
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- 27. Real distance = $6 \times 50,000 = 300,000$ cm; On Map 2: $300,000 \div 100,000 = 3$ cm
- 28. Scale 1:5,000: $150m = 15,000cm \div 5,000 = 3 cm$; $80m = 8,000cm \div 5,000 = 1.6 cm$ Scale 1:2,000: $15,000 \div 2,000 = 7.5 cm$; $8,000 \div 2,000 = 4 cm$

Teaching Notes

Common Mistakes to Watch For:

- Unit Conversion: Confusing cm, m, and km conversions
- Scale Direction: Mixing up map distance with real distance
- Multiplication vs Division: Using wrong operation for the conversion
- **Decimal Places**: Rounding errors in calculations

Extension Activities:

- Create scale drawings of the school playground
- Use online maps to practice measuring real distances
- Design a treasure map with accurate scale
- Compare different map scales of the same area

Assessment Criteria:

- Excellent (36-40 marks): Confident with scale conversions and applications
- Good (30-35 marks): Mostly accurate with minor unit conversion errors
- Satisfactory (24-29 marks): Basic understanding, some calculation mistakes
- Needs Support (<24 marks): Requires additional practice with scale concepts

This answer key corresponds to: map-scale-problems.md