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# **Area of Rectangles**

#### **Learning Intention**

Students will be able to:

• Find the formula for the area of a rectangle.

#### **Success Criteria:**

- **Level 1** I can correctly solve 5 *picture-based problems* using the formula for the area of a rectangle. (Activity 1)
- **Level 2** I can correctly solve 5 *word-based problems* using the formula for the area of a rectangle. (Activity 2)
- Level 3 I can correctly solve 5 compound area problems using the formula for the area of a rectangle. (Activity 3)

### Vocabulary

- **Dimension** a measurement of a particular kind, such as width, or height.
- Right-angle an angle of 90°, as in a corner of a square.
- Perpendicular positioned at an angle of 90° to something, like a line.
- Perimeter the boundary of a closed geometrical figure. (1D)
- Area the size of a surface. (2D)

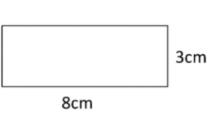
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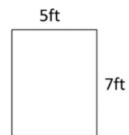
# **Activity 1**

Work out the area of the following rectangles. They are not to scale.

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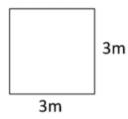
Area = \_\_\_\_\_ square ft

Area = \_\_\_\_\_ square cm

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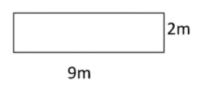
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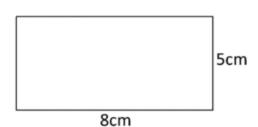
Area = \_\_\_\_\_ square m

Area = \_\_\_\_\_ square in

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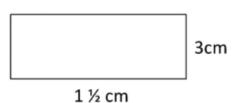
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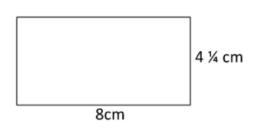
Area = \_\_\_\_\_ square m

Area = \_\_\_\_\_ square cm

7)



8)



### **Activity 1 Answers:**

(7) 4.5 cm<sup>2</sup> (8) 34 cm<sup>2</sup>

(1) 24 square cm, (2) 35 square ft, (3) 9 square m, 4) 40 square in, (5) 18 square m, (6) 40 square cm,

### **Activity 2**

1) A rectangle measuring 20 cm by 4 cm. Area =

2) A square with side 12 cm. Area = \_\_\_\_\_

3) A rectangle with sides 2 ½ cm and 4 cm. Area = \_\_\_\_\_

4) A square with sides of 30 cm. Area =

5) A rectangle with sides 9 mm and 20 mm. Area = \_\_\_\_\_

6) A rectangle with sides 30 cm and 20 cm. Area = \_\_\_\_\_

8) A square with sides of ½ m. Area = \_\_\_\_\_

9) A rectangle with sides 8 cm and 3½ cm Area = \_\_\_\_\_

10) A rectangle with sides 0.4 cm and 3 cm Area = \_\_\_\_\_

11) Look at resealable bag package below.



- a) What is the total amount of plastic (in cm<sup>2</sup>) in a single resealable bag?
- b) What is the total amount of plastic in a 50 pack of resealable bags?
- 12a) I have a wall that is 10m wide and 3m tall. What is the surface area of the wall?
  - b) I want to paint the wall. It takes 0.2 litres of paint to cover a 1m<sup>2</sup> patch. How many litres of paint do I need to completely cover the wall?

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#### **Activity 2 Answers:**

1) A rectangle measuring 20 cm by 4 cm. Area =  $80 \text{ cm}^2$ 

2) A square with side 12 cm. Area =  $\frac{144 \text{ cm}^2}{}$ 

3) A rectangle with sides 2  $\frac{10 \text{ cm}^2}{2}$ 

4) A square with sides of 30 cm. Area = 900 cm<sup>2</sup>

5) A rectangle with sides 9 mm and 20 mm. Area = 180 mm<sup>2</sup>

6) A rectangle with sides 30 cm and 20 cm. Area =  $\frac{600 \text{ cm}^2}{100 \text{ cm}^2}$ 

7) A square with side 70 cm Area =  $\frac{4900 \text{ cm}^2}{1000 \text{ cm}^2}$ 

8) A square with sides of  $\frac{1}{2}$  m. Area =  $\frac{1}{4}$  m<sup>2</sup>

9) A rectangle with sides 8 cm and 3 ½ cm Area = 28cm<sup>2</sup>

10) A rectangle with sides 0.4 cm and 3 cm Area = 1.2 cm<sup>2</sup>

11) Area of one side of resealable bag =  $18 \text{ cm x } 17 \text{ cm} = 306 \text{ cm}^2$ . There are two sides on a reusable bag. Total plastic =  $2 \text{ x } 306 \text{ cm}^2 = 612 \text{ cm}^2$ 

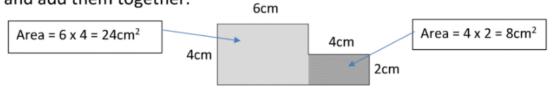
12a) 30 m<sup>2</sup>

12b) 0.2L per  $m^2 \times 30 \text{ m}^2 = 6L \text{ of paint.}$ 

## **Activity 3 – Compound Areas (Extension)**

### Example #1:

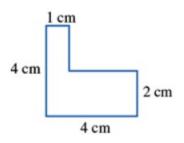
To find the area of these shapes, work out the area of the two rectangles and add them together.



The total area of this shape is  $24cm^2 + 8cm^2 = 32cm^2$ .

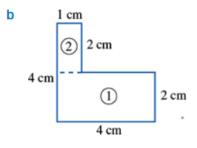
### Example #2:

Find the area of the following figure:



### Working:

1 Divide the shape into two rectangles.

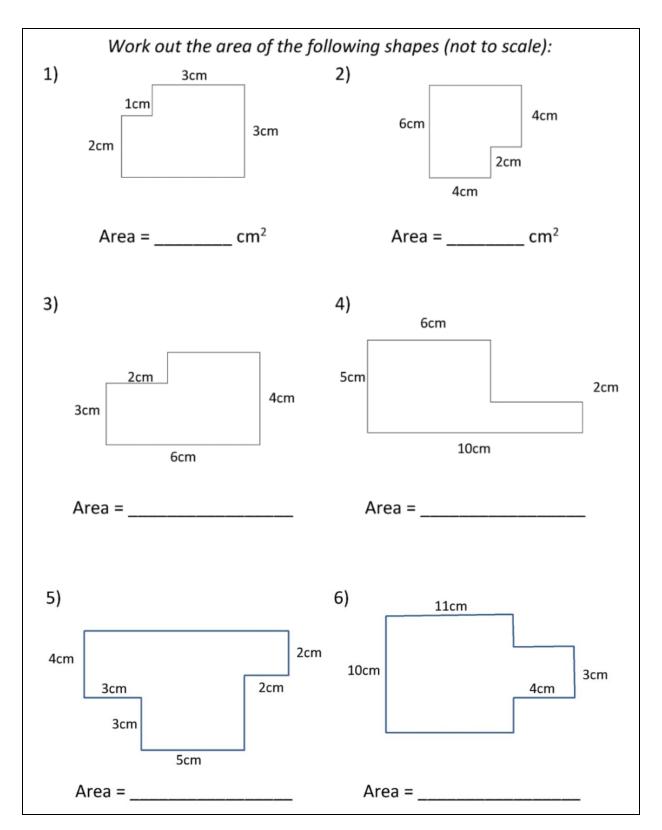


**2** Calculate the area of each rectangle separately by substituting the correct values of l and w into the formula A = lw.

Area of rectangle  $1 = l \times w$   $= 4 \times 2$   $= 8 \text{ cm}^2$ Area of rectangle  $2 = l \times w$   $= 2 \times 1$  $= 2 \text{ cm}^2$ 

3 Add the two areas. Remember to answer in the correct unit  $(cm^2)$ .

 $\begin{aligned} \text{Area of shape} &= \text{area of rectangle 1} \\ &+ \text{area of rectangle 2} \\ &= 8 \, \text{cm}^2 + 2 \, \text{cm}^2 \\ &= 10 \, \text{cm}^2 \end{aligned}$ 



### **Activity 3 Answers:**

(1) 11 cm<sup>2</sup>, (2) 32 cm<sup>2</sup>, (3) 22 cm<sup>2</sup>, (4) 38 cm<sup>2</sup> (5) 18 square m, (6) 12 + 35 + 4 = 51 cm<sup>2</sup> (7) 110 + 12 = 122 cm<sup>2</sup>