

English 5th Grade M-Z

Vocabulary Cards and Word Walls

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Important Notes for Teachers:

- The vocabulary cards in this file match the Common Core, the math curriculum adopted by the Utah State Board of Education, August 2010.
- The cards are arranged alphabetically.
- Each card has three sections.
 - Section 1 is only the word. This is to be used as a visual aid in spelling and pronunciation. It is also used when students are writing their own “kid-friendly” definition and drawing their own graphic.
 - Section 2 has the word and a graphic. This graphic is available to be used as a model by the teacher.
 - Section 3 has the word, a graphic, and a definition. This is to be used for the Word Wall in the classroom. For more information on using a Word Wall for Daily Review – see “Vocabulary – Word Wall Ideas” on this website.
- These cards are designed to help all students with math content vocabulary, including ELL, Gifted and Talented, Special Education, and Regular Education students.

For possible additions or corrections to the vocabulary cards, please contact the Granite School District Math Department at 385-646-4239.

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mass

mass



mass



The amount of matter in an object. Usually measured by comparing with an object of known mass. While gravity influences weight, it does not affect mass.

meter (m)

meter (m)



A baseball bat is *about* 1 meter long.

meter (m)

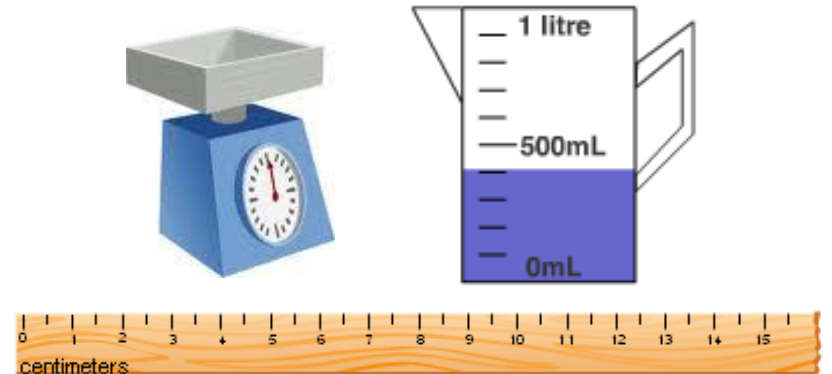


A standard unit
of length in the
metric system.

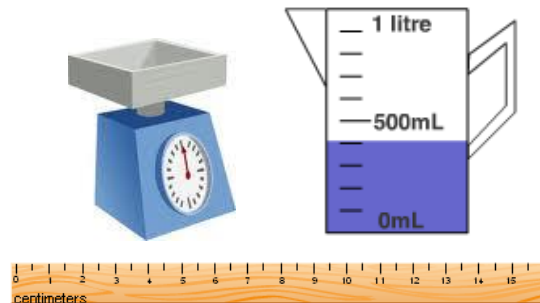
A baseball bat is *about* 1 meter long.

metric system

metric
system



metric
system



A system of measurement based on tens. The basic unit of capacity is the liter. The basic unit of length is the meter. The basic unit of mass is the gram.

mile

mile



Two times around the average roller coaster
is *about* 1 mile.

mile



Two times around the average roller coaster
is *about* 1 mile.

A customary unit of length.
1 mile = 5,280 feet

milligram (mg)

milligram (mg)



The mass of a single grain of salt is about 1 milligram.

milligram (mg)



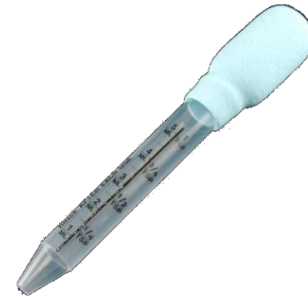
The mass of a single grain of salt is about 1 milligram.

A metric unit of weight.
1,000 milligrams = 1 gram

milliliter (mL)

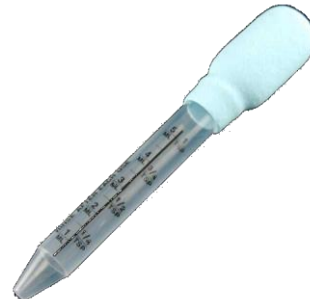
This holds about 10 drops or 1 milliliter.

milliliter (mL)



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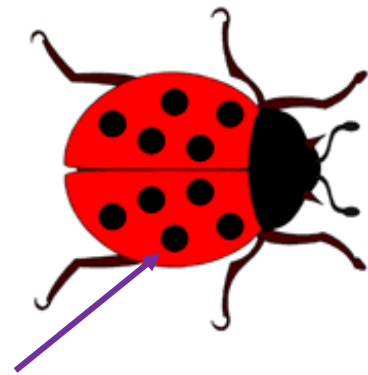
milliliter (mL)



A metric unit of capacity.
1,000 milliliters = 1 liter

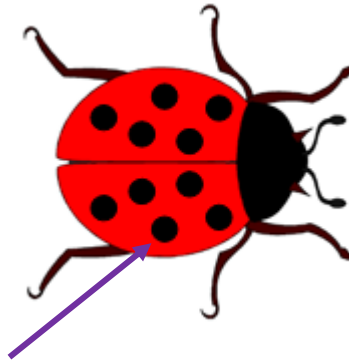
millimeter (mm)

millimeter (mm)



The dot on a ladybug is *about*
1 millimeter wide.

millimeter (mm)



The dot on the ladybug is *about*
1 millimeter wide.

A metric unit of length.
1,000 millimeters = 1 meter

minuend

minuend

$$43.2 - 27.9 = 15.3$$

minuend

minuend

$$43.2 - 27.9 = 15.3$$

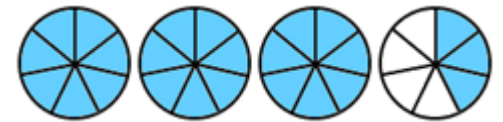
minuend

The quantity from which another quantity, the subtrahend, is to be subtracted.

mixed number

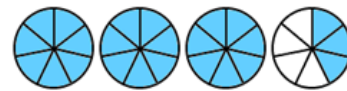
mixed
number

$$3\frac{3}{7}$$



mixed
number

$$3\frac{3}{7}$$



A number with
an integer and a
fraction part.

multiple

multiple

Multiples of



7, 14, 21, 28, 35, 42, 49...

multiple

Multiples of



7, 14, 21, 28, 35, 42, 49...

The product of
a whole number
and any other
whole number.

Multiplicative Identity Property of 1

**Multiplicative
Identity
Property of 1**



1 group of 3 = 3
 $1 \times 3 = 3$

**Multiplicative
Identity
Property of 1**

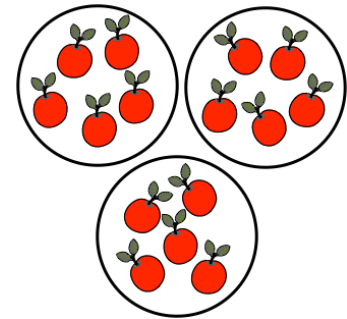


1 group of 3 = 3
 $1 \times 3 = 3$

Multiplying a factor
by one gives a
product identical
to the given factor.

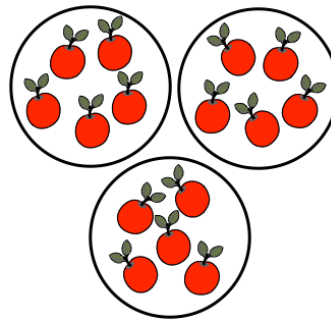
multiply

multiply



$$3 \times 5 = 5 + 5 + 5$$

multiply

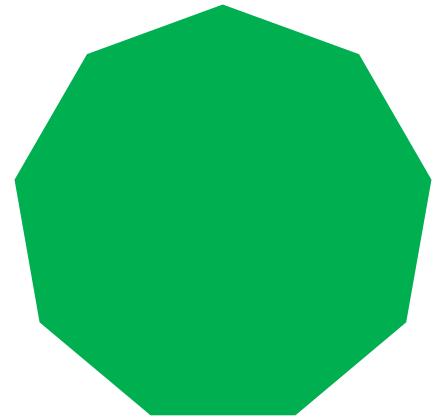


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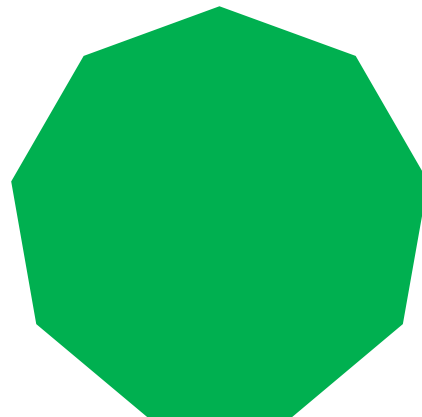
The operation of
repeated addition of
the same number.

nonagon

nonagon



nonagon



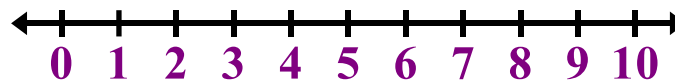
A polygon
with 9 sides.

number line

number
line



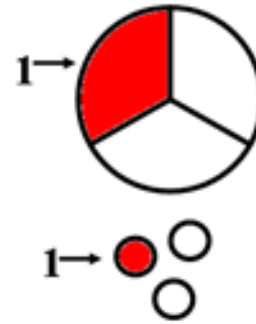
number
line



A diagram that
represents numbers
as points on a line.

numerator

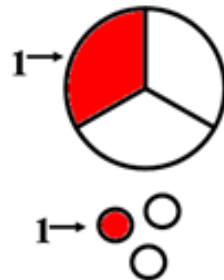
numerator



$$\frac{1}{3}$$

- Equal parts described in fraction
- Equal parts in the whole

numerator



$$\frac{1}{3}$$

- Equal parts described in fraction
- Equal parts in the whole

The number written above the line in a fraction. It tells how many equal parts are described in the fraction.

numerical expression

numerical expression

$$5 + 9$$

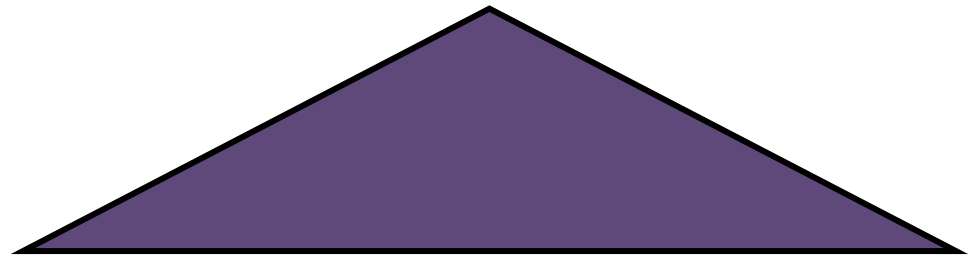
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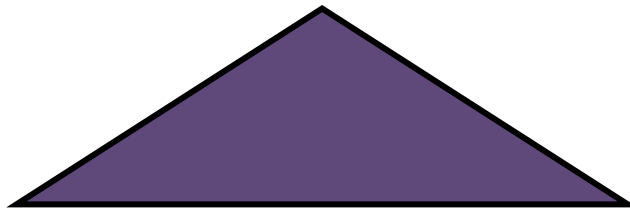
A mathematical
statement including
numbers and
operations.

obtuse triangle

obtuse
triangle



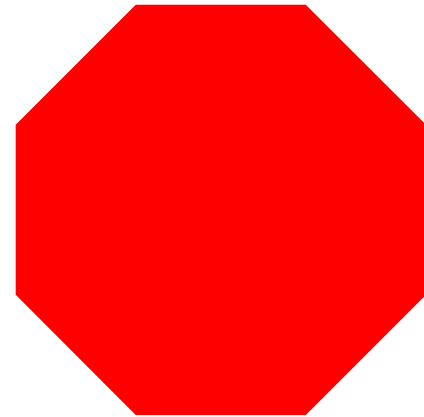
obtuse
triangle



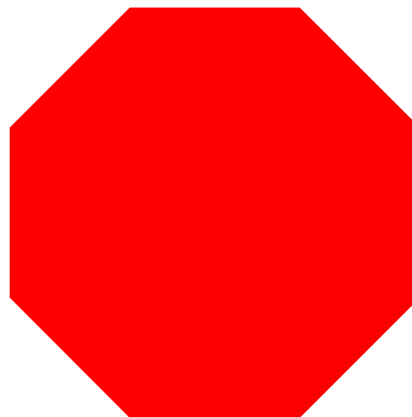
A triangle that has an
angle greater than 90°
(obtuse angle).

octagon

octagon



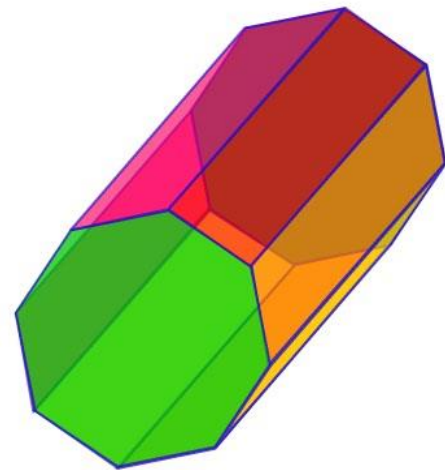
octagon



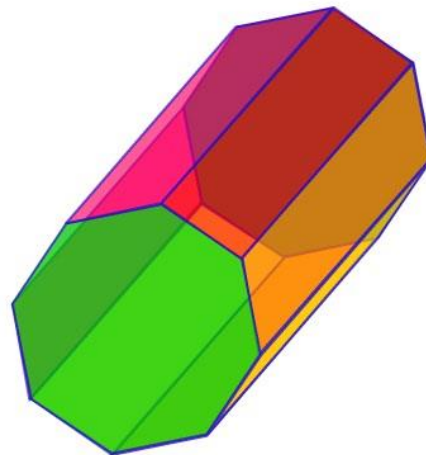
A polygon
with 8 sides.

octagonal prism

octagonal prism



octagonal prism



A prism whose two
bases are octagons.

Order of Operations

Order of Operations



How to do a math problem
with more than one operation
in the correct order.

Parenthesis
Exponents
Multiply/**D**ivide
Add/**S**ubtract

Order of Operations



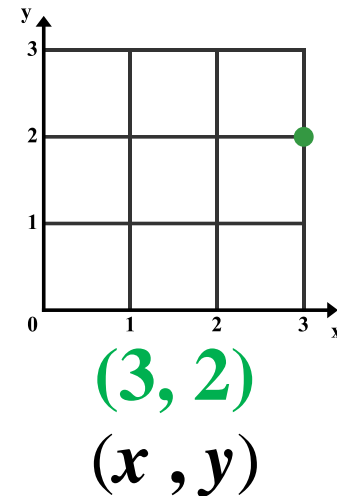
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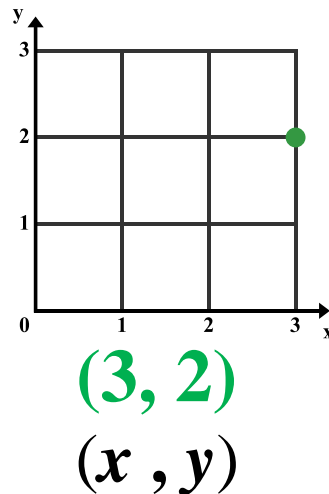
An order, agreed on
by mathematicians,
for performing
operations to simplify
expressions.

ordered pair

ordered
pair



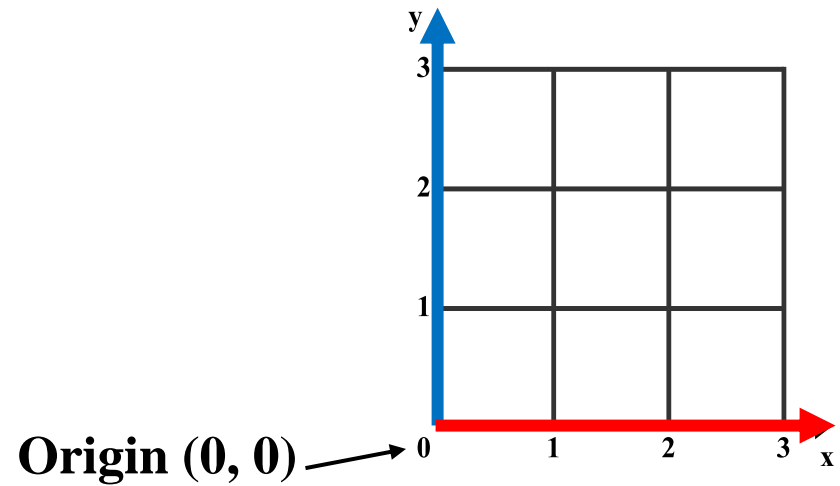
ordered
pair



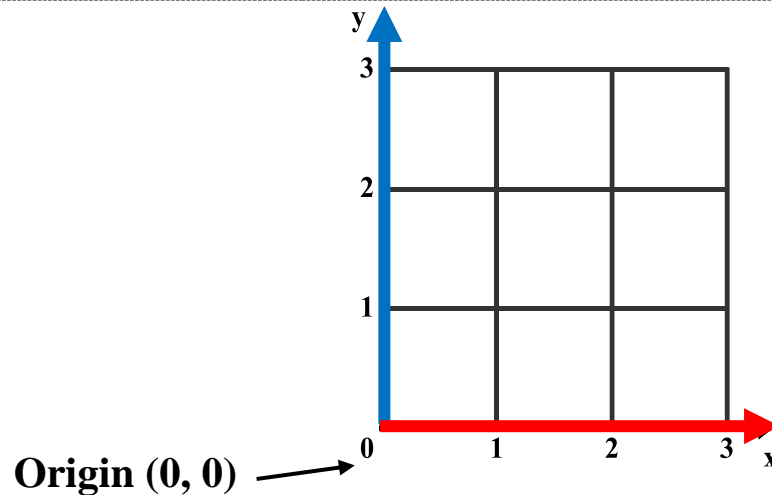
A pair of numbers that gives the coordinates of a point on a grid in this order (horizontal coordinate, vertical coordinate).

origin

origin



origin



The intersection of the x - and y -axes in a coordinate plane, described by the ordered pair $(0, 0)$.

ounce (oz)

ounce (oz)



A strawberry weighs about 1 ounce.

ounce (oz)



A customary unit of weight equal to one sixteenth of a pound.
16 ounces = 1 pound

A strawberry weighs about 1 ounce.

parallel lines

parallel
lines



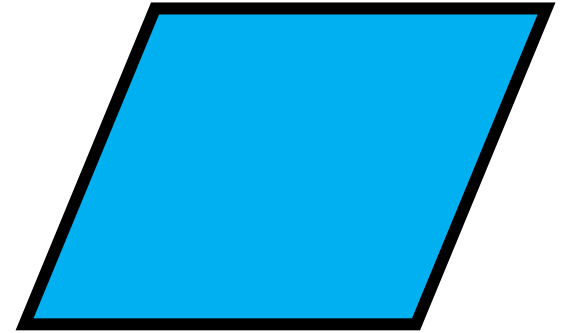
parallel
lines



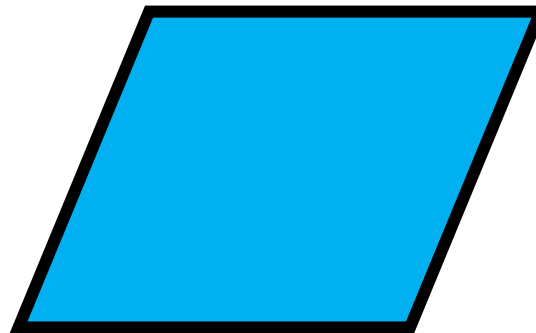
Lines that are always
the same distance apart.
They do not intersect.

parallelogram

parallelogram



parallelogram



A quadrilateral
with 2 pairs of
parallel and
congruent sides.

parentheses

parentheses

$$\begin{aligned} & (2 + 3) \times 4 \\ & 5 \times 4 \\ & 20 \end{aligned}$$

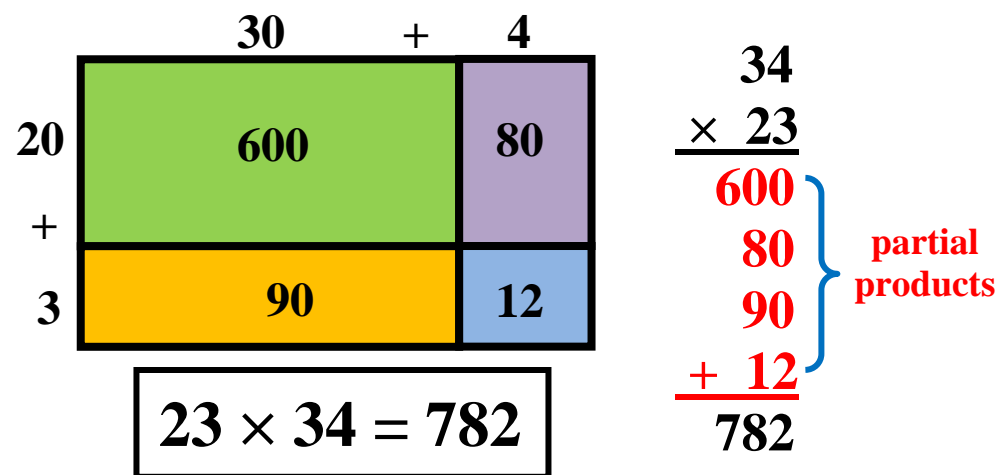
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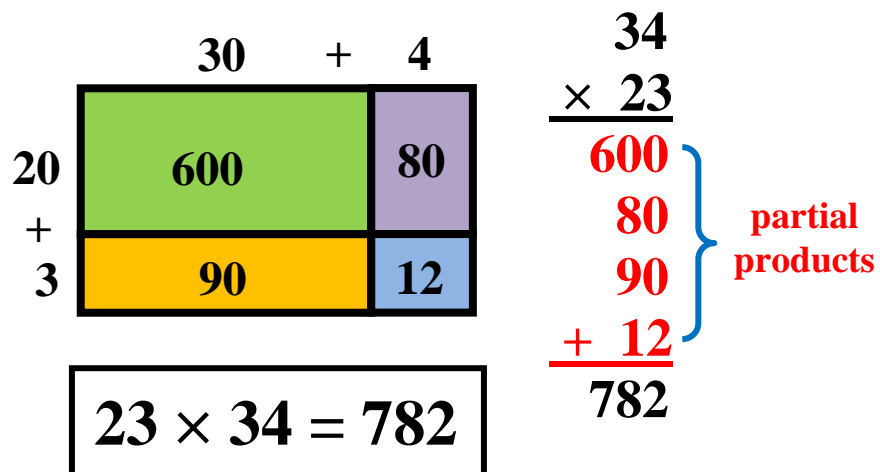
Used in mathematics as grouping symbols for operations. When simplifying an expression, the operations within the parentheses are performed first.

partial product

partial product



partial product



A method of multiplying in which the value of each digit in a factor is multiplied separately, and then the partial products are added together.

partial quotient

partial
quotient

$$\begin{array}{r} 6 \overline{)152} \\ \underline{-120} \\ 32 \\ \underline{-30} \\ 2 \end{array} \quad \left. \begin{array}{r} 20 \\ + 5 \\ \hline 25 \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{partial} \\ \text{quotients} \end{array}$$

↑ ↑
Remainder Quotient

partial
quotient

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Remainder Quotient

A method of dividing in which multiples of the divisor are subtracted from the dividend, and then the partial quotients are added together.

pattern

pattern

Ten Thousands	One Thousands	Hundreds	Tens	Ones
	8,000	800	80	0

Diagram illustrating the relationship between place values:

- An arrow from 8,000 to 800 is labeled "10 times as much as".
- An arrow from 800 to 80 is labeled " $\frac{1}{10}$ of".

pattern

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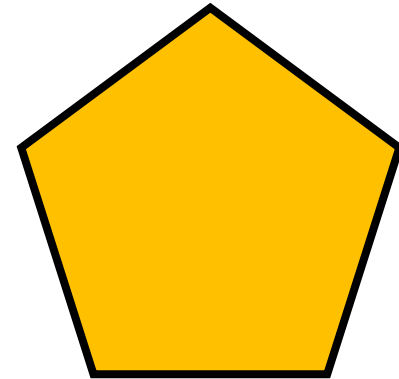
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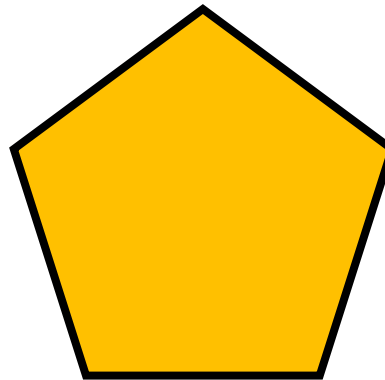
A repeating or growing sequence.
An ordered set of numbers arranged according to a rule.

pentagon

pentagon



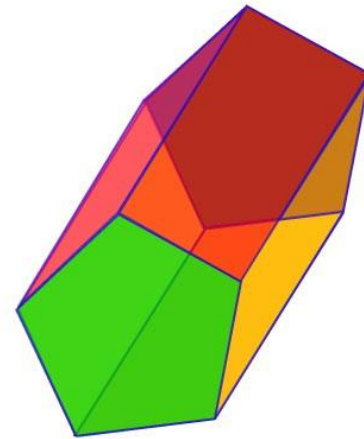
pentagon



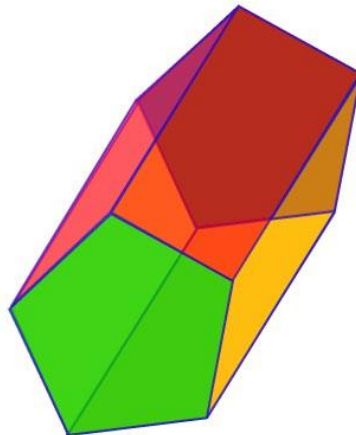
A polygon with 5 sides.

pentagonal prism

pentagonal
prism



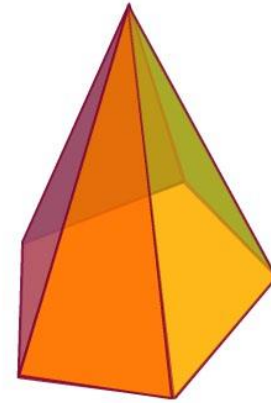
pentagonal
prism



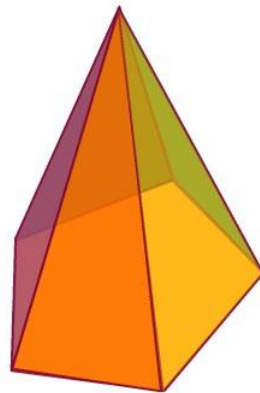
A prism whose two
bases are pentagons.

pentagonal pyramid

pentagonal
pyramid



pentagonal
pyramid



A pyramid that has
a pentagonal base.

period

period

Periods								
MILLIONS			THOUSANDS			ONES		
hundred millions	ten millions	millions	hundred thousands	ten thousands	thousands	hundreds	tens	ones
7	4	5	3	0	9	2	8	1

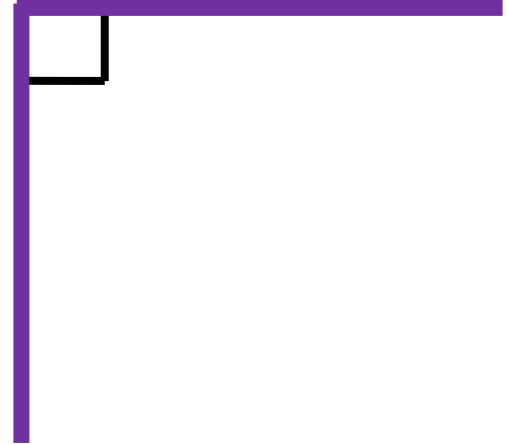
period

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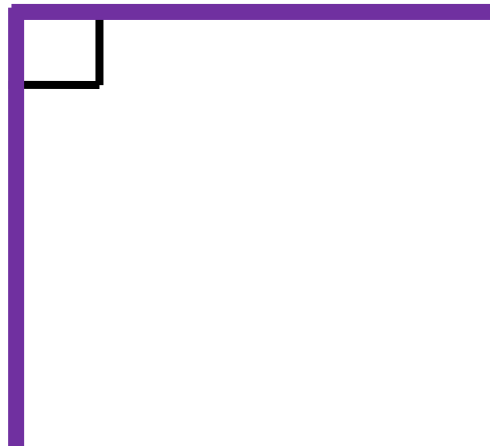
In a large number, periods are groups of 3 digits separated by commas or by spaces.

perpendicular

perpendicular



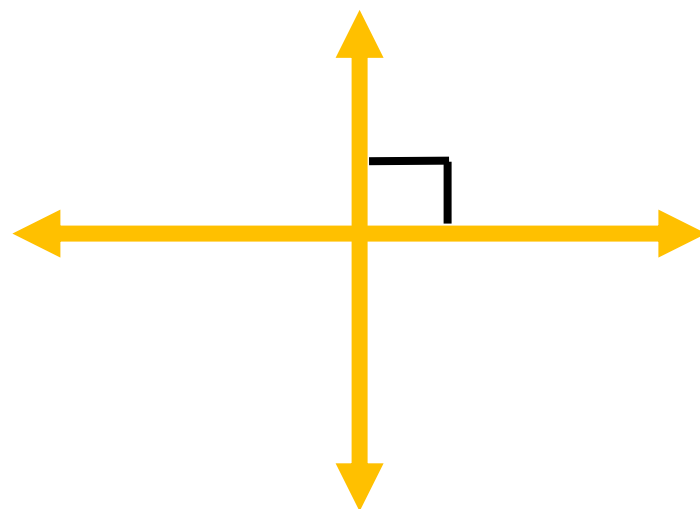
perpendicular



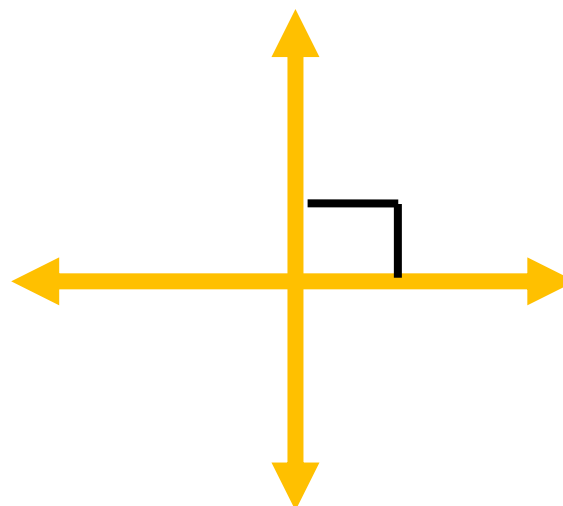
Forming right angles.

perpendicular lines

perpendicular
lines



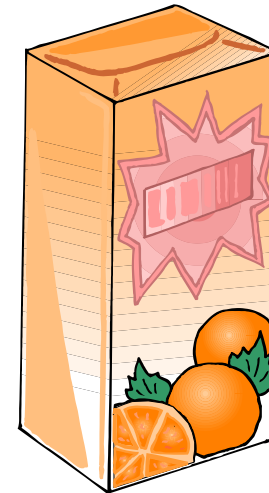
perpendicular
lines



Two lines that
form right angles.

pint (pt)

pint (pt)



The orange
juice carton
holds 1 pint.



The orange
juice carton
holds 1 pint.

pint (pt)

A customary unit
of capacity.
1 pint = 2 cups

place value

place value

MILLIONS			THOUSANDS			ONES		
hundred millions	ten millions	millions	hundred thousands	ten thousands	thousands	hundreds	tens	ones
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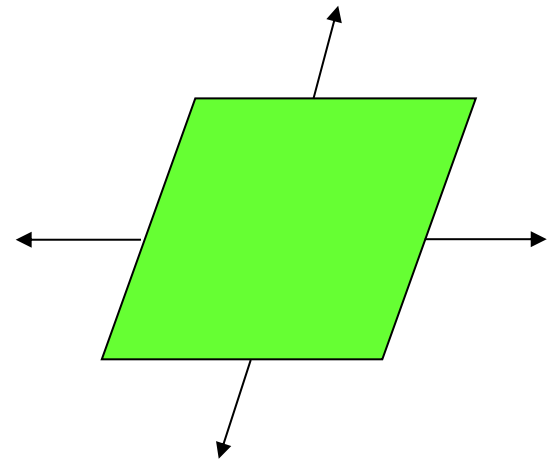
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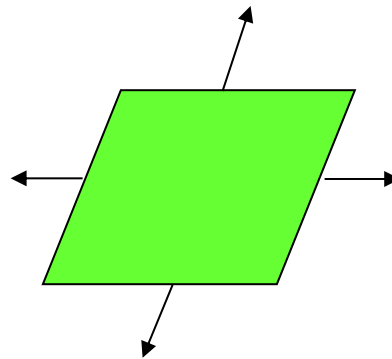
The value of the place of a digit in a number.

plane

plane



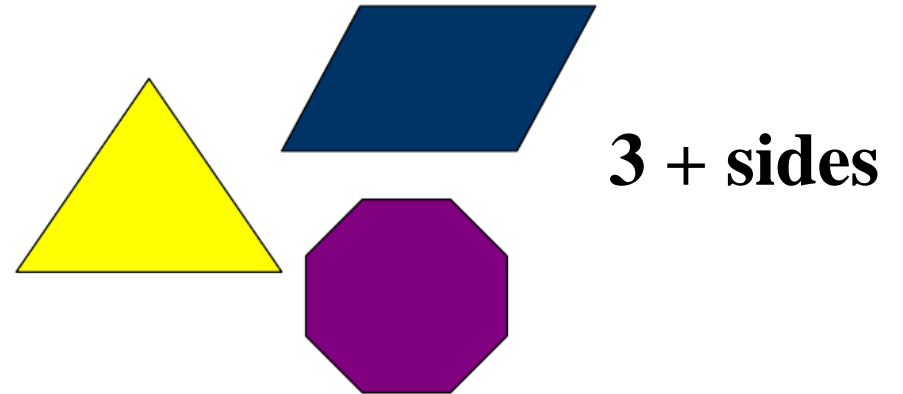
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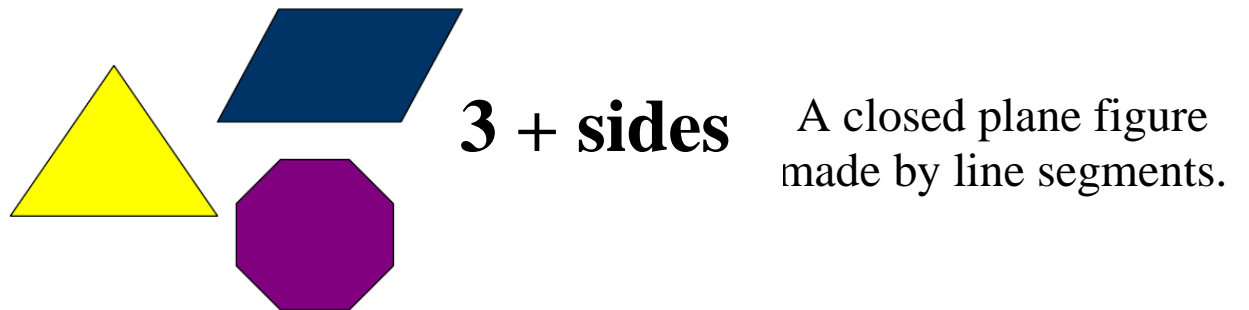
A flat surface that
extends infinitely
in all directions.

polygon

polygon

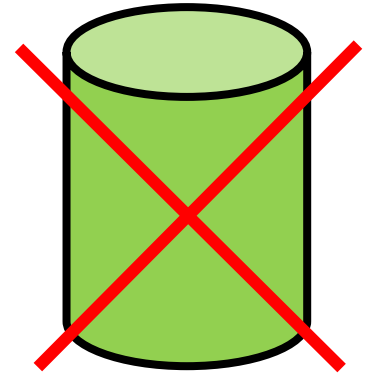
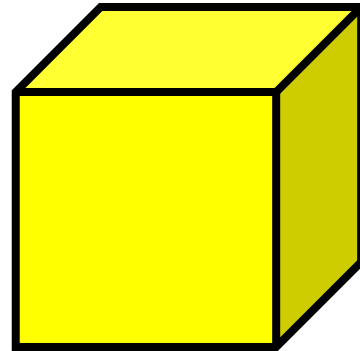


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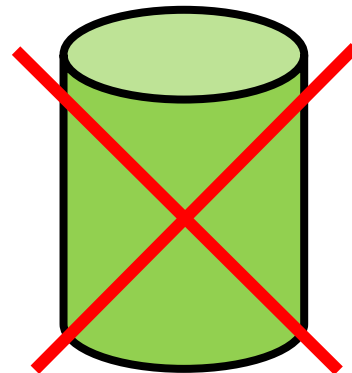
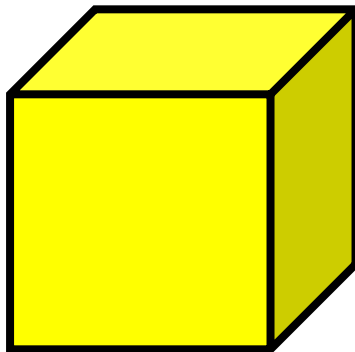


polyhedron

polyhedron



polyhedron



A three-dimensional figure in which all the faces are polygons. Polyhedrons have **no** curved surfaces.

pound (lb)

pound (lb)



A loaf of bread weighs *about* 1 pound.

pound (lb)



A customary unit
of weight.
1 pound = 16 ounces

A loaf of bread weighs *about* 1 pound.

powers of ten

powers of ten

$$\begin{aligned}10,000 &= 10^4 \\1,000 &= 10^3 \\100 &= 10^2 \\10 &= 10^1 \\1 &= 10^0\end{aligned}$$

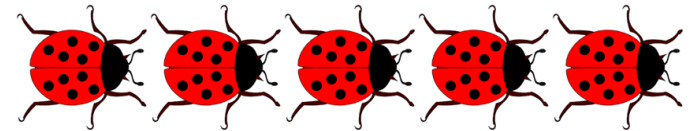
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Using a base number
of 10 with an exponent.
Our number system
is based on the
powers of 10.

prime number

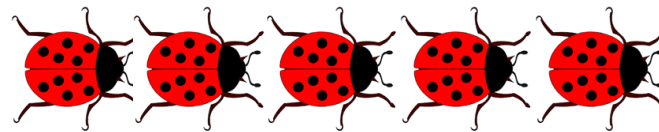
prime
number



$$1 \times 5 = 5$$

5 is a prime number.

prime
number



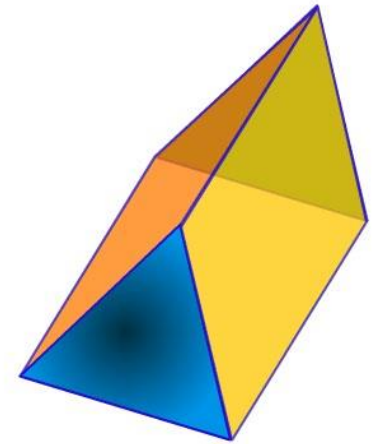
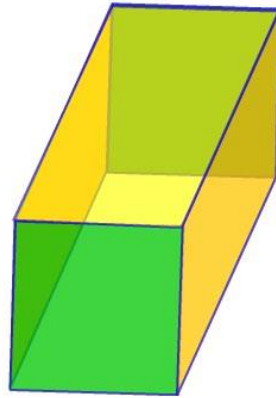
$$1 \times 5 = 5$$

5 is a prime number.

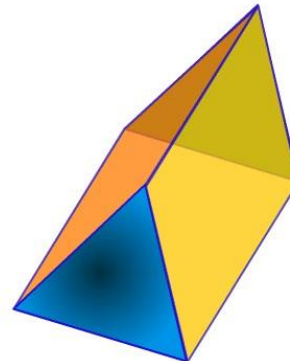
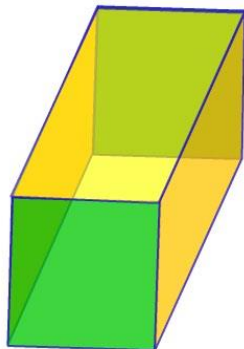
A whole number greater than 0 that has exactly two different factors, 1 and itself.

prism

prism



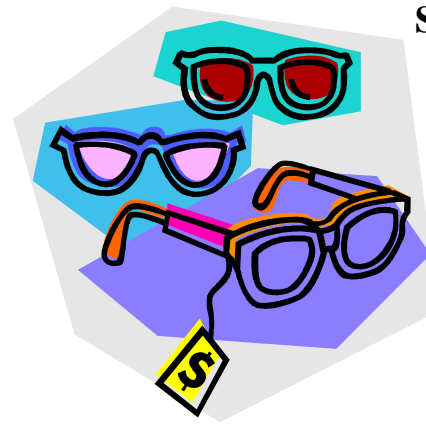
prism



A three-dimensional figure that has two congruent and parallel faces that are polygons. The remaining faces are parallelograms.

product

product



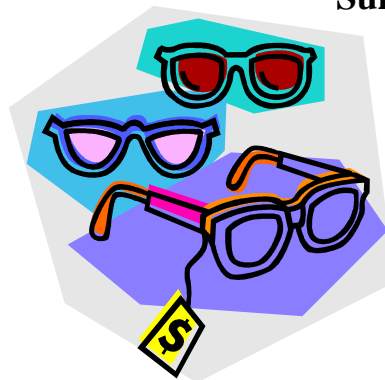
Sunglasses are \$9.95 a pair.

$$\begin{array}{r} \$ 9.95 \\ \times \quad 3 \\ \hline \$29.85 \end{array}$$



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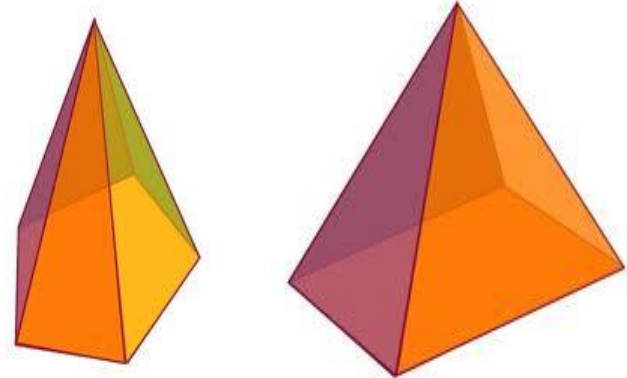


product

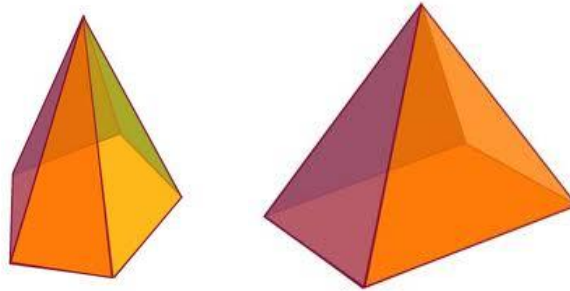
The result of
multiplication.

pyramid

pyramid



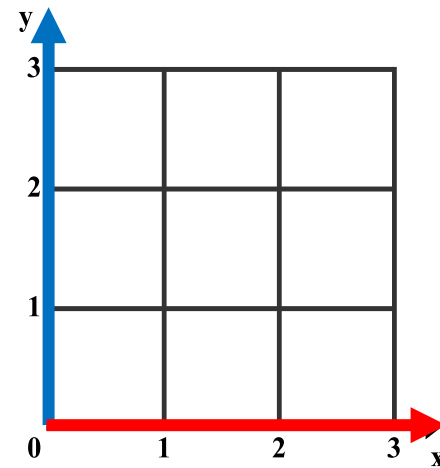
pyramid



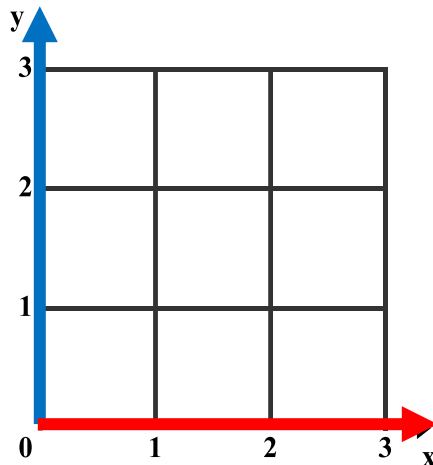
A polyhedron whose base is a polygon and whose other faces are triangles that share a common vertex.

quadrant

quadrant



Quadrant I



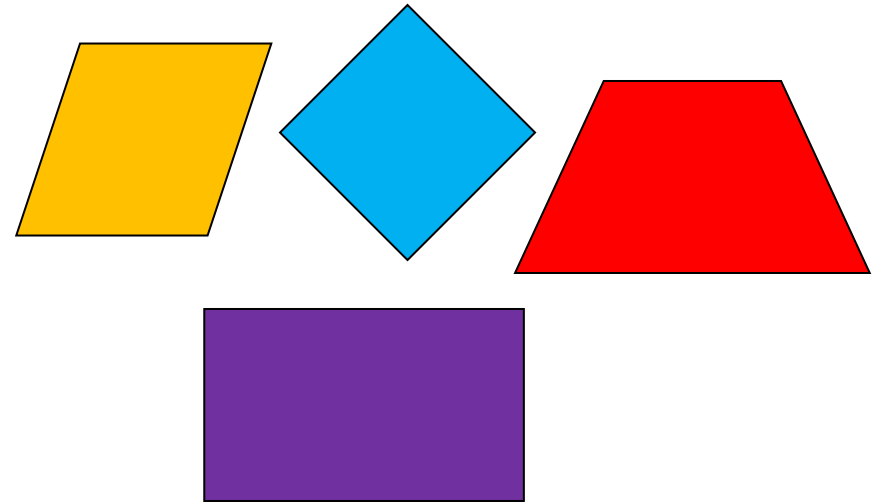
Quadrant I

quadrant

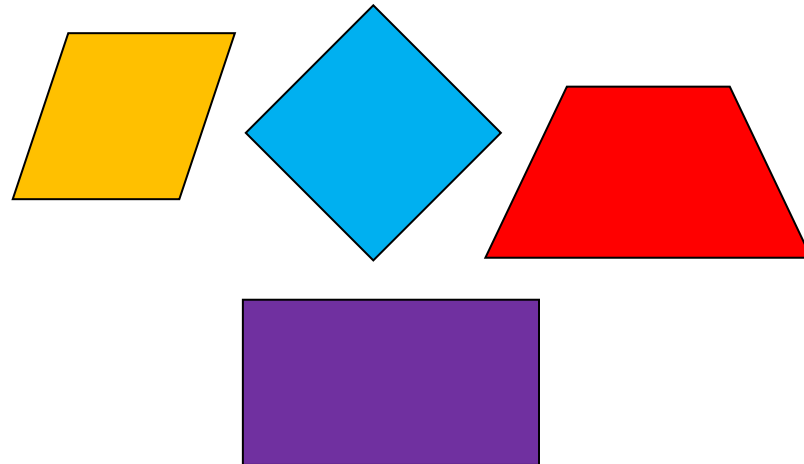
A section of a coordinate grid that is separated by the x -axis and y -axis.

quadrilateral

quadrilateral



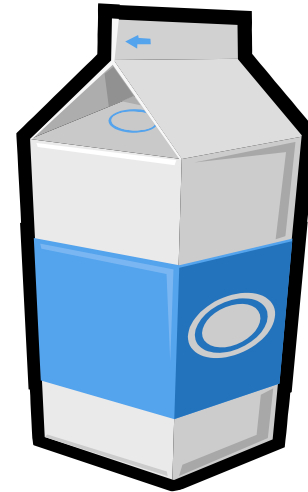
quadrilateral



A polygon
with 4 sides.

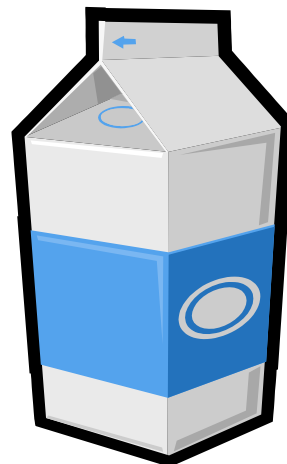
quart (qt)

quart (qt)



The milk
carton holds
1 quart.

quart (qt)



The milk
carton holds
1 quart.

A customary unit
of capacity.

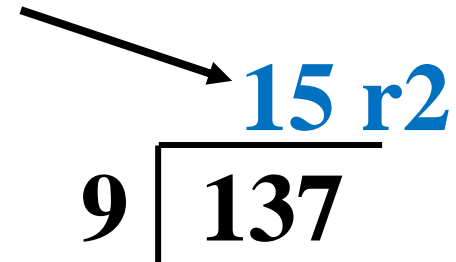
1 quart = 2 pints
or

1 quart = 4 cups

quotient

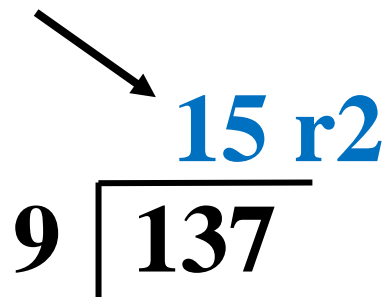
quotient

quotient


$$\begin{array}{r} 15 \text{ r}2 \\ 9 \overline{) 137} \end{array}$$

quotient

quotient


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The result of the
division of one
quantity by another.

reasonableness

reasonableness

What is the product of 57 and 34?

- A. 1,938 C. 5,738
B. 3,208 D. 8,698



Use estimation
to eliminate
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An answer
that is based
on good
number sense.

rectangle

rectangle



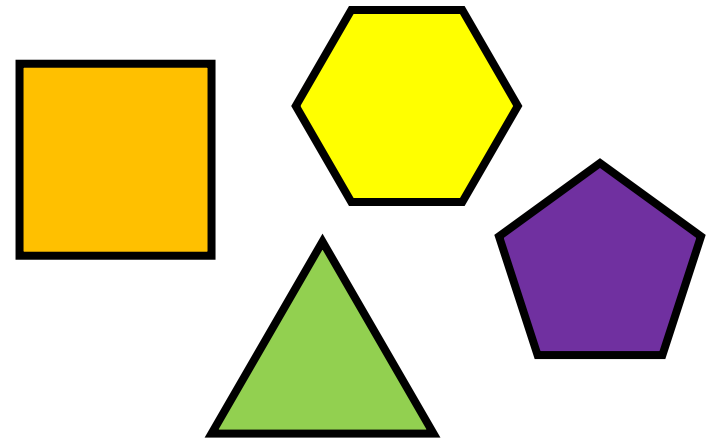
rectangle



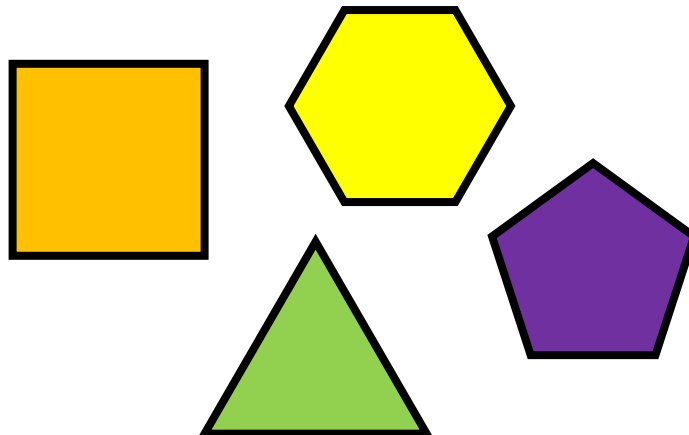
A quadrilateral with
2 pairs of congruent,
parallel sides and
4 right angles.

regular polygon

regular
polygon



regular
polygon




A polygon with all sides the
same length and all angles
the same measure.

remainder


remainder

remainder


$$9 \overline{) 137} \quad \text{15 r2}$$

remainder

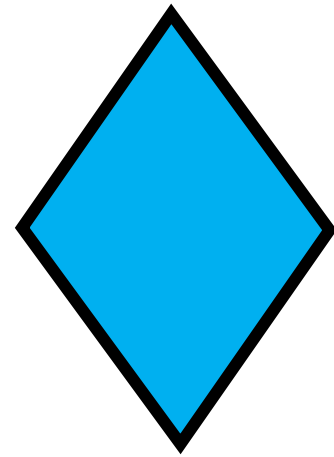
remainder


$$9 \overline{) 137} \quad \text{15 r2}$$

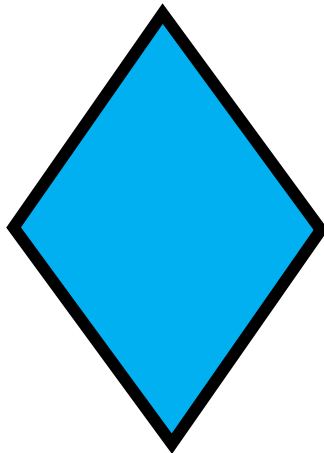
The number that is left over after a whole number is divided equally by another.

rhombus

rhombus



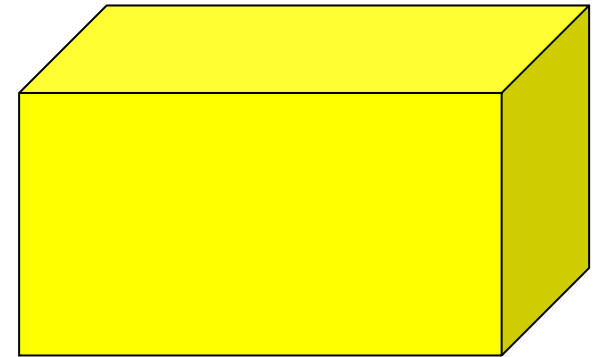
rhombus



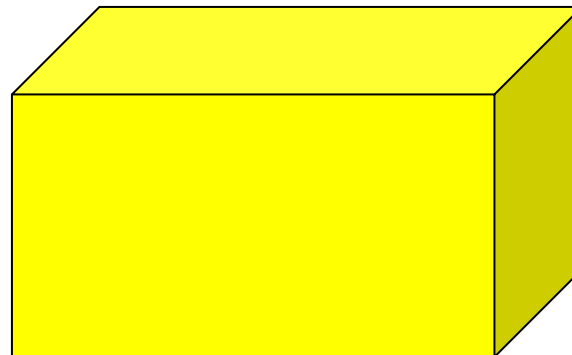
A quadrilateral with all
4 sides equal in length.

right rectangular prism

**right
rectangular
prism**



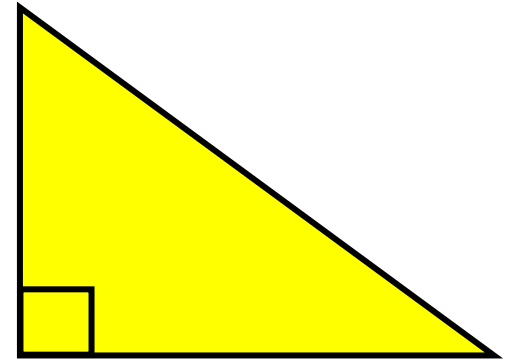
**right
rectangular
prism**



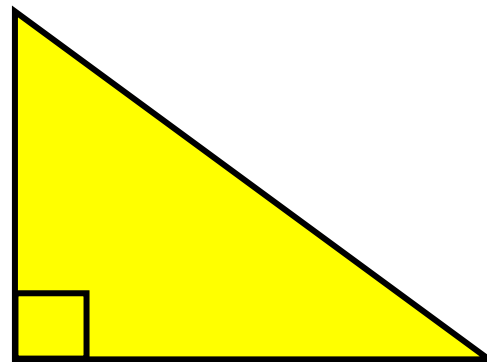
A prism with 6 rectangular faces where the lateral edge is perpendicular to the plane of the base.

right triangle

right
triangle



right
triangle



A triangle that has
one 90° angle.

rounding

rounding

$45.357 \rightarrow 45.4$

rounding

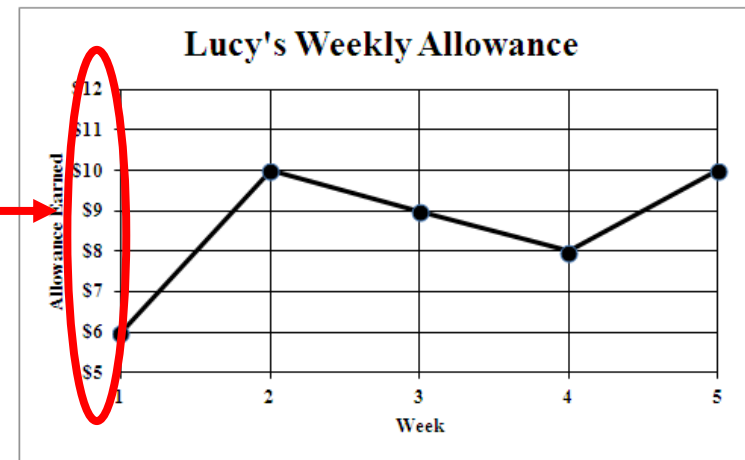
$45.357 \rightarrow 45.4$

A strategy to find *about* how much or how many by expressing a number closest to ten, hundred, thousand, or tenth, hundredth, thousandth, etc.

scale

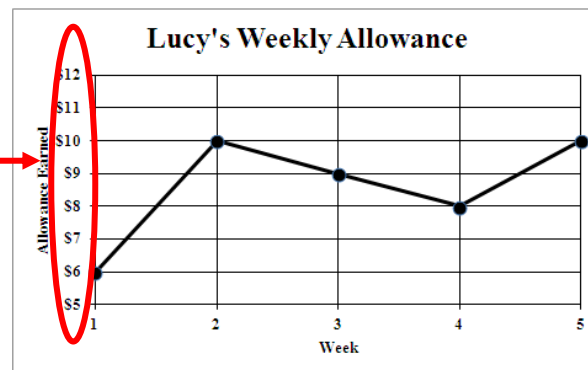
scale

scale from
5 to 12



scale

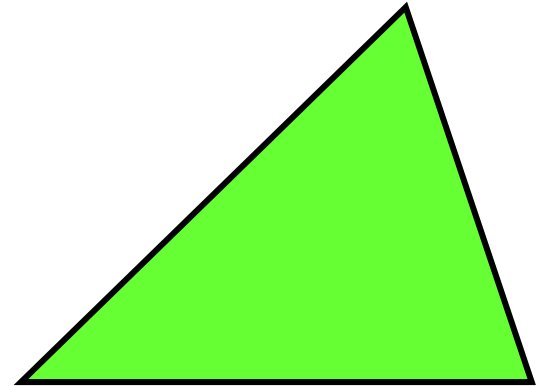
scale from
5 to 12



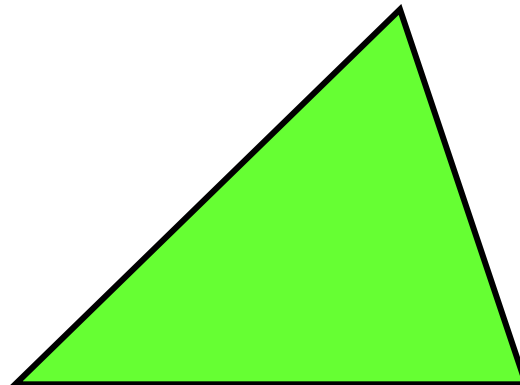
A series of numbers at regular intervals that help label a graph.

scalene triangle

scalene
triangle



scalene
triangle

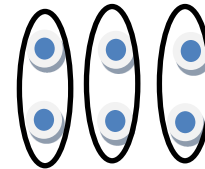


A triangle that has
no equal sides.

scaling

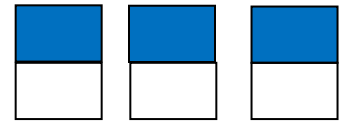
scaling

$$3 \times 2$$



Note: Product will be greater than 3.

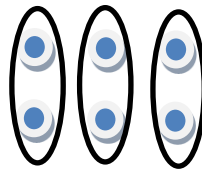
$$3 \times \frac{1}{2}$$



Note: Product will be less than 3.

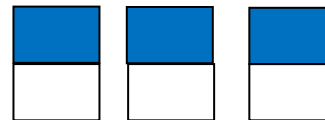
scaling

$$3 \times 2$$



Note: Product will be greater than 3.

$$3 \times \frac{1}{2}$$



Note: Product will be less than 3.

To increase or decrease proportionately in size.

sequence

sequence

2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17...

What is the pattern?

sequence

2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17...

What is the pattern?

A set of numbers
arranged in a special
order or pattern.

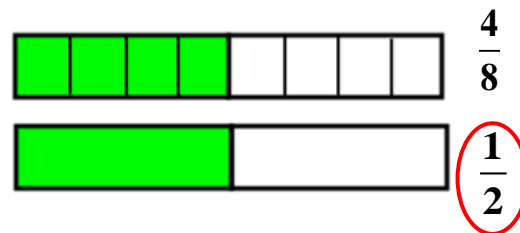
simplest form

simplest
form



A fraction in simplest form has the fewest possible pieces.

simplest
form

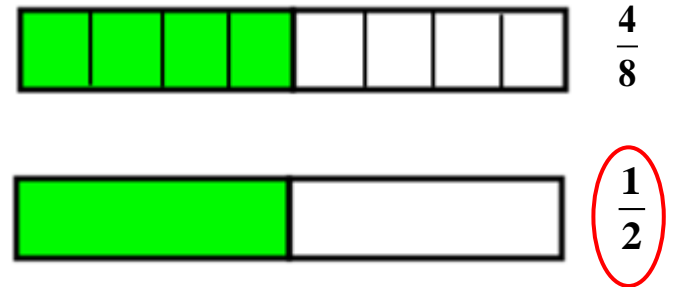


A fraction in simplest form has the fewest possible pieces.

A fraction is in simplest form when the greatest common factor of the numerator and denominator is 1.

simplify

simplify



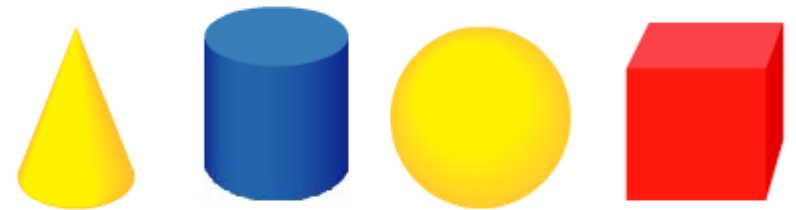
simplify



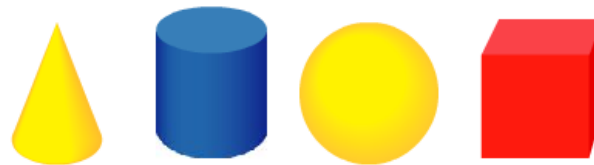
To express a fraction
in simplest form.

solid figure

solid
figure



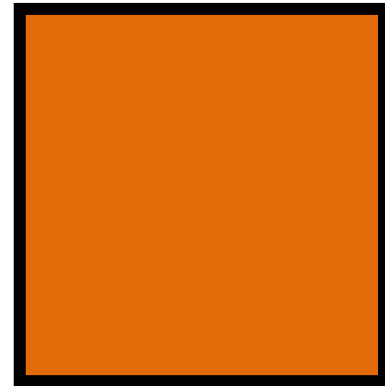
solid
figure



Three-dimensional
figure that has
length, width,
and height.

square

square



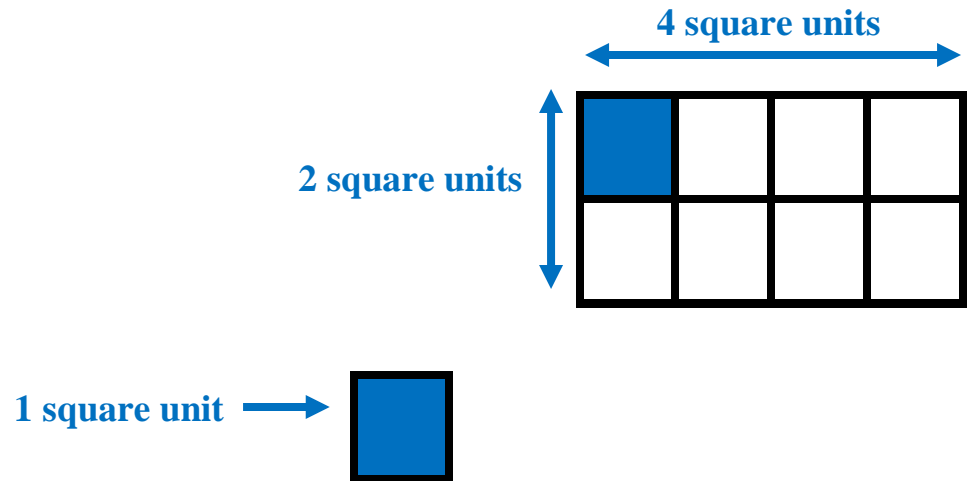
square



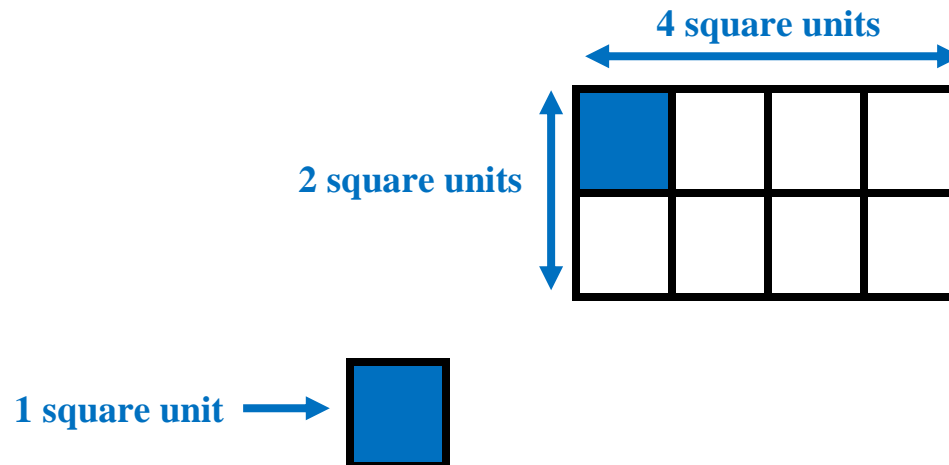
A parallelogram with
4 equal angles AND
4 equal sides.

square unit

square
unit



square
unit



A unit, such
as square
centimeter or
square inch, used
to measure area.

standard form

standard form

354,973

standard form

354,973

A number written
with one digit for
each place value.
(also known as base-ten
numeral form)

subtrahend

subtrahend

$$\begin{array}{r} 27.34 \\ - 8.29 \\ \hline 19.05 \end{array} \leftarrow \text{subtrahend}$$

subtrahend

$$\begin{array}{r} 27.34 \\ - 8.29 \\ \hline 19.05 \end{array} \leftarrow \text{subtrahend}$$

In subtraction,
the subtrahend
is the number
being subtracted.

sum

sum

$$45.3 + 92.9 = 138.2$$

sum



sum

$$45.3 + 92.9 = 138.2$$

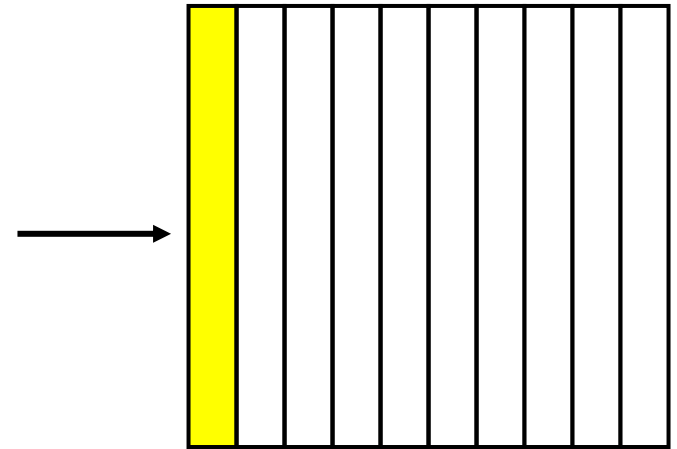
sum



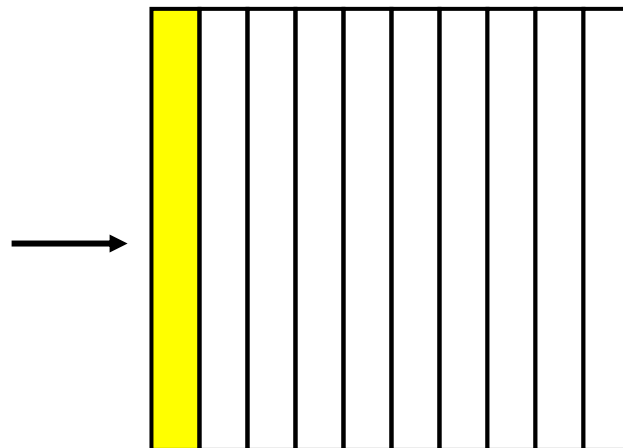
The result of addition.

tenth

tenth



tenth



One of the equal parts
when a whole is divided
into 10 equal parts.

tenths

tenths

4.3

tenths

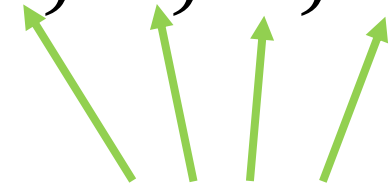
4.3

In the decimal
numeration, tenths is
the name of the place
to the right of the
decimal point.

term

term

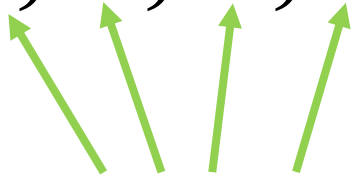
3, 5, 7, 9...



terms

term

3, 5, 7, 9...



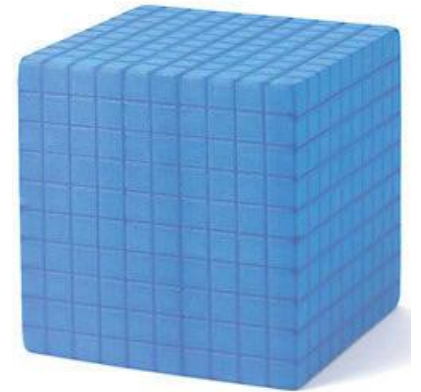
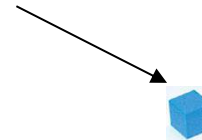
terms

A component of
a sequence.
A term in a sequence
is any number
in that sequence.

thousandth

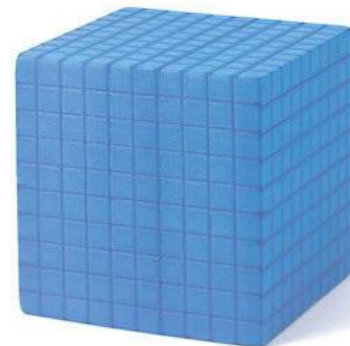
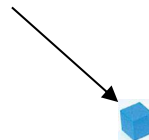
thousandth

0.001 or $\frac{1}{1000}$



thousandth

0.001 or $\frac{1}{1000}$



One of 1000 equal parts of a whole.

thousandths

thousandths

0.276

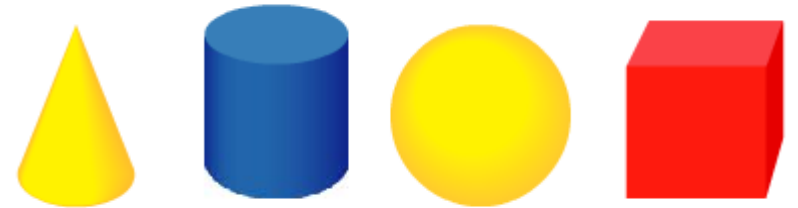
thousandths

0.276

Thousandths is the name of the next place to the right of hundredths in the decimal numeration system.

three-dimensional figure

three-
dimensional
figure



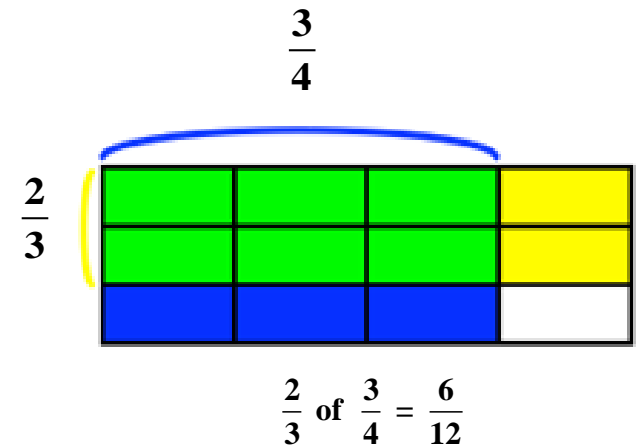
three-
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figure



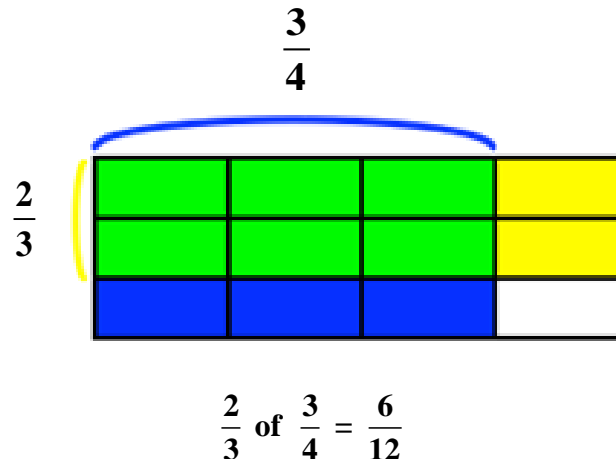
A solid figure that
has length, width,
and height.

tiling

tiling



tiling



Repeated shapes that fill a plane. The shapes do not overlap and there are no gaps.

You can find the area of a rectangle with fractional lengths by tiling it with appropriate unit squares. The green area represents

$$\frac{2}{3} \times \frac{3}{4} = \frac{6}{12}$$

ton (T)

ton (T)



A small car weighs about 1 ton.

ton (T)



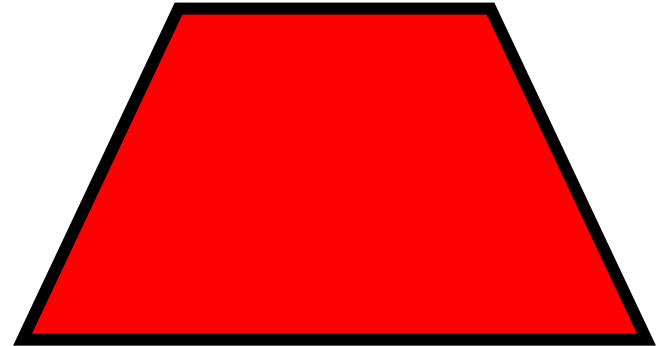
A small car weighs about 1 ton.

A customary unit of weight.
1 ton (T) = 2,000 pounds

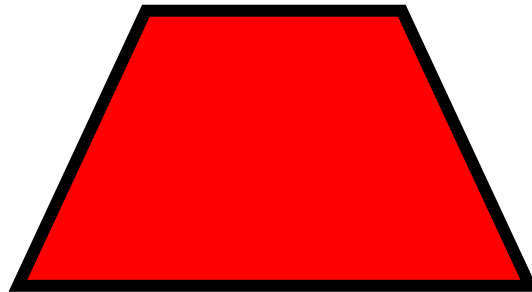
A metric ton (t) is a unit of
mass equal to 1,000 kilograms
(about 2,200 pounds).

trapezoid

trapezoid



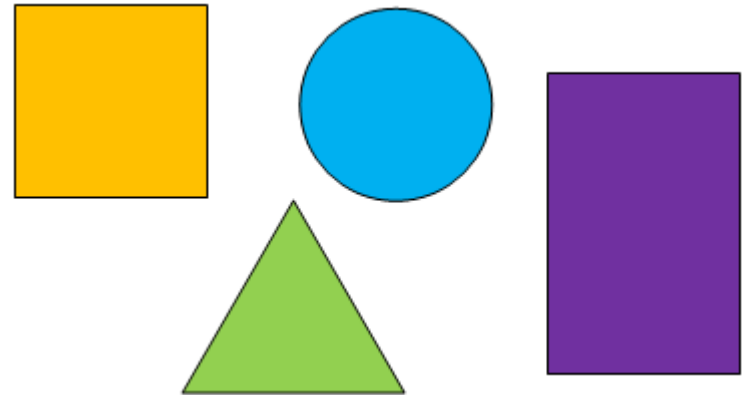
trapezoid



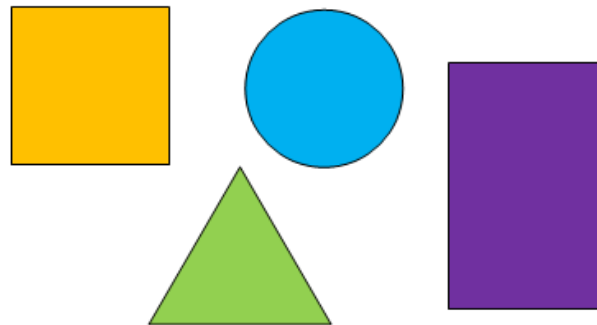
A quadrilateral with
at least one pair of
parallel sides.

two-dimensional figure

**two-
dimensional
figure**



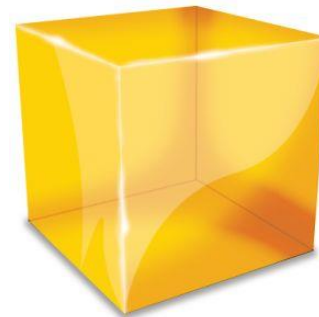
**two-
dimensional
figure**



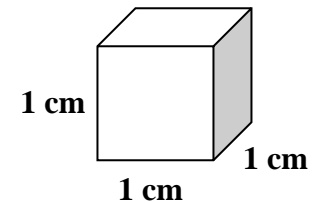
A plane, flat
figure that has
length and width.

unit cube

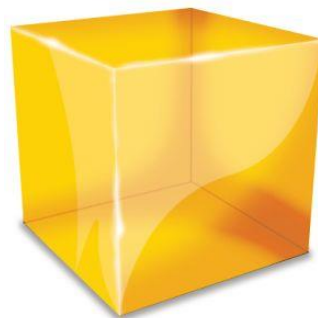
unit cube



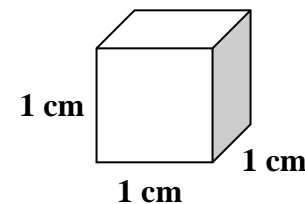
Volume of 1 cubic
(cm³) centimeter



unit cube



Volume of 1 cubic
(cm³) centimeter

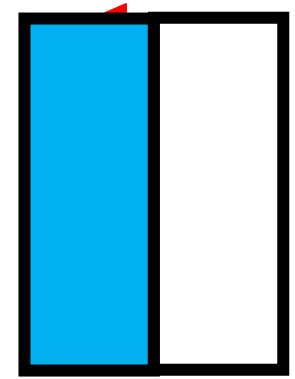


A precisely fixed
quantity used to
measure volume.

unit fraction

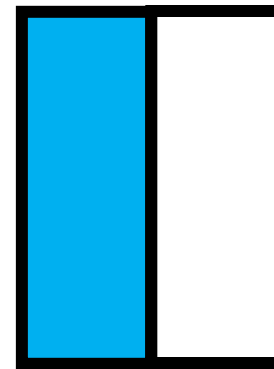
unit
fraction

$$\frac{1}{2}$$



unit
fraction


$$\frac{1}{2}$$




A fraction that has
1 as its numerator.
A unit fraction
names 1 equal part
of a whole.

unlike denominators

unlike
denominators

$$\frac{1}{3} \quad \frac{1}{4} \quad \frac{1}{5}$$


unlike
denominators

$$\frac{1}{3} \quad \frac{1}{4} \quad \frac{1}{5}$$


Denominators that
are not equal.

variable

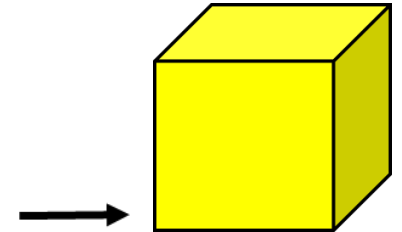
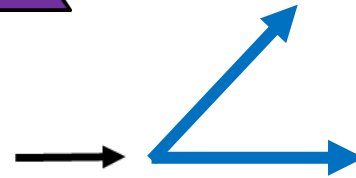
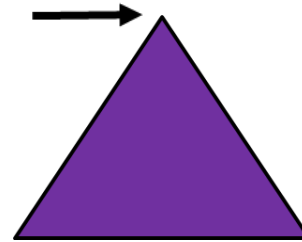
variable $5 \times b = 10$
b is a variable worth 2.

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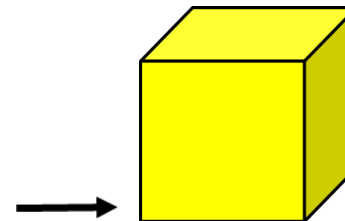
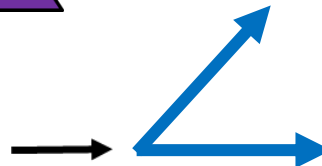
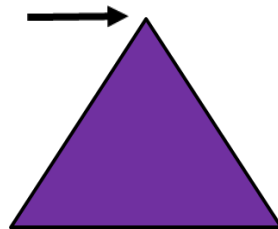
A letter or symbol that represents a number.

vertex

vertex



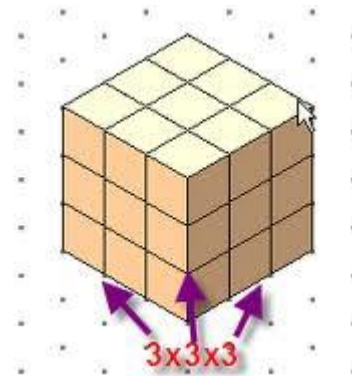
vertex



The point at which
two line segments,
lines, or rays meet
to form an angle.
(plural - vertices)

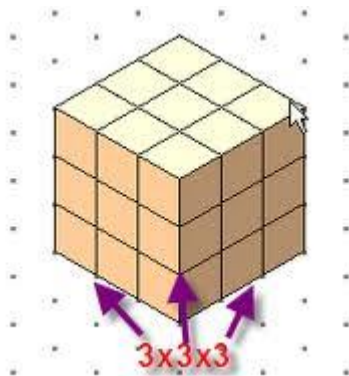
volume

volume



Volume =
27 cubic
units

volume



Volume =
27 cubic
units

The number of
cubic units it takes
to fill a figure.

weight

weight



weight



The measure of how heavy something is.

whole numbers

whole
numbers



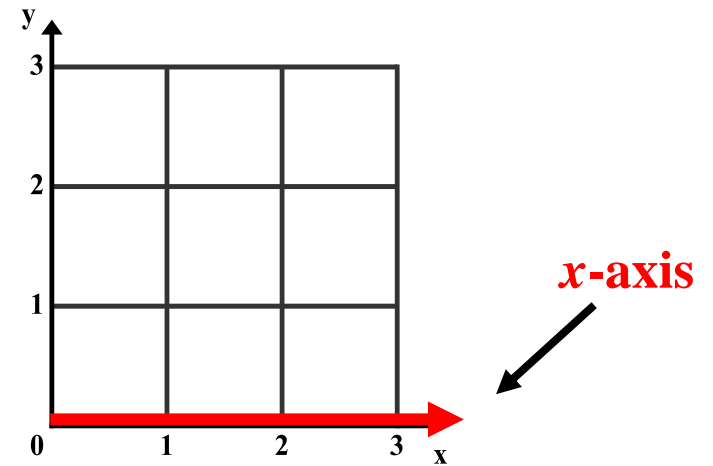
whole
numbers



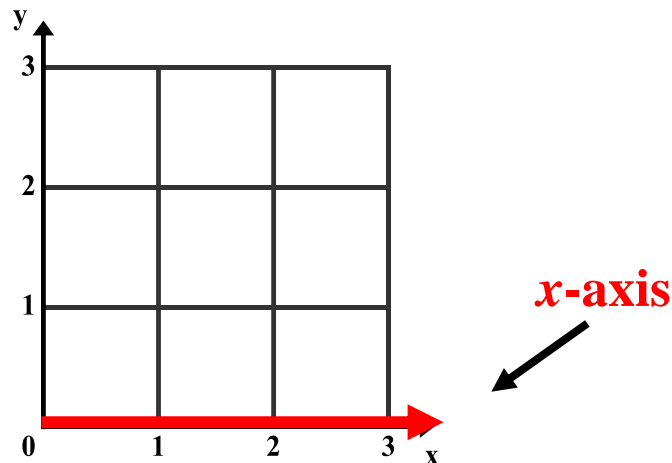
Whole numbers are
0 and the counting
numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6,
and so on.

x -axis

x -axis



x -axis



The horizontal axis in
a coordinate plane.

x -coordinate

x -coordinate

(7, 2)

x -coordinate

x -coordinate

(7, 2)

x -coordinate

In an ordered pair,
the value that is
always written first.

yard (yd)

yard (yd)



A door is *about* 1 yard wide.

yard (yd)



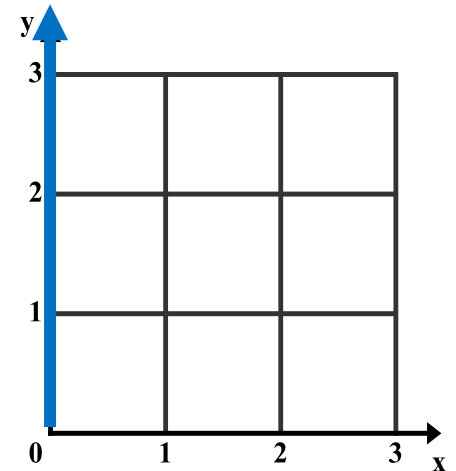
A door is *about* 1 yard wide.

A customary unit of length.
1 yard = 3 feet or 36 inches

y -axis

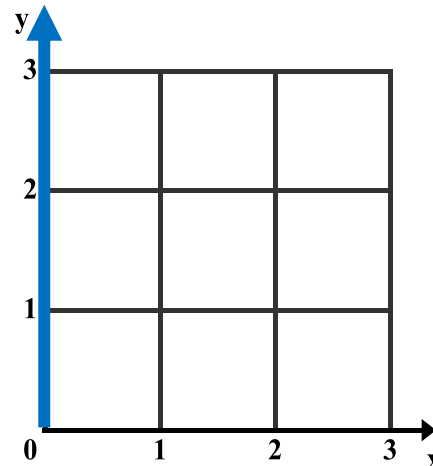
y -axis

y -axis



y -axis

y -axis



The vertical axis in a
coordinate plane.

y -coordinate

y -coordinate

$(7, 2)$

y -coordinate

y -coordinate

$(7, 2)$

y -coordinate

In an ordered pair, the value that is always written second.

