## Perimeter and Area Unit Notes

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## Metric Conversions: Metric Staircase

The Metric System is an internationally agreed upon decimal system of measurement introduced in France in 1799.

Scientists need a universal way to communicate data (SI Units)
Almost all other countries but the United States are using the metric system.


| Prefix | Meaning | Length | Mass | Capacity |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| kilo- | thousand <br> $(1000)$ | kilometer | kilogram | kiloliter |
| hecto- | hundred <br> $(100)$ | hectometer | hectogram | hectoliter |
| deka- | ten <br> $(10)$ | dekameter | dekagram | dekaliter |
| "base <br> unit" | ones <br> $(1)$ | meter | gram | liter |
| deci- | tenths <br> $(0.1)$ | decimeter | decigram | deciliter |
| centi- | hundreths <br> $(0.01)$ | centimeter | centigram | centiliter |
| milli- | thousandths <br> $(0.001)$ | millimeter | milligram | milliliter |

## How to Convert between Units:

## How many spaces?

The scale of the metric staircase is a base 10 so when converting units, count the number of steps you need to move, and then move the decimal that number of steps.

## Which direction?

When you are moving up the staircase, you are dividing by factors of 10 , so move the decimal to the left. When you are moving down the staircase, you are multiplying by factors of 10 , so move the decimal to the right. Use DRUL to remember: Down-Right-Up-Left

## Squared Units:

If you are converting squared units for area, you need to remember that the steps are a base $100\left(10^{2}\right)$, so for each step moved, you need to move the decimal 2 places.

Cubic Units: Not tested until grade 9
If you are converting cubic units (for volume), you need to remember that the steps are a base $1000\left(10^{3}\right)$, so for each step moved, you need to move the decimal 3 places.

## Lines, Line Segments, and Rays:

A Line: A line extends infinitely in both directions.


A Line Segment: A line segment is part of a line with a definite starting and stopping point.

A Ray: A ray extends infinitely in one direction. It is like half a line.

## Polygon Names

Polygon: A polygon is an enclosed shape made up of straight lines.
Regular polygon: All sides and angles are equal
Irregular polygon: Sides and angles are not equal

| Sides | Name |
| :---: | :--- |
| 3 | Triangle $* *$ see below for classifications of triangles |
| 4 | Quadrilateral $* *$ see types in chart below. |
| 5 | Pentagon |
| 6 | Hexagon |
| 7 | Septagon/Heptagon |
| 8 | Octagon |
| 9 | Nonagon |
| 10 | Decagon |
| 11 | Hendecagon |
| 12 | Dodecagon |

## Classifying Triangles

## By Sides: Equilateral, Isosceles, Scalene

By Angle: Acute, obtuse, right


## Properties of Shapes:

Property: An attribute, quality, or characteristic of the shape.

Perimeter: The distance around a polygon. Measured in units (mm, cm, dm, m,dam,hm,km)

Area: The size of the surface. The amount of space inside the boundary of a flat (2-D) object such as a triangle or circle. Measured in square units ( $\mathrm{mm}^{2}, \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$, $\mathbf{d m}^{2}, \mathbf{m}^{2}, \mathbf{d a m}^{2}, \mathbf{h m}^{2}, \mathbf{k m}^{2}$ ).

| Shape | Properties | Perimeter Formula | Area Formula |
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| TRIANGLES |  |  |  |
| Triangle | -A three sided polygon | $P=\sum s$ <br> Perimeter is the sum of all sides. <br> P: Perimeter <br> $\Sigma$ : sum <br> s: Sides | $A=\frac{b h}{2}$ <br> OR $A=\frac{1}{2} b h$ <br> A: Area <br> b: base <br> h: height <br> *base and height are perpendicular |

## QUADRILATERALS

| Parallelogram | -pairs of opposite sides are equal -opposite angles are equal -diagonals bisect each other | $P=\sum s$ <br> Perimeter is the sum of all sides. <br> P: Perimeter $\Sigma$ : sum <br> s: Sides | $A=b h$ <br> A: area <br> b: base <br> h: height <br> *base and height are perpendicular |
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| Rectangle |  | $P=\sum s$ <br> Perimeter is the sum of all sides. <br> P: Perimeter E: sum s: Sides | $A=b h$ <br> A: area <br> b: base <br> h: height <br> *base and height are perpendicular |
| Rhombus |  | $P=\sum s$ <br> Perimeter is the sum of all sides. <br> P: Perimeter $\Sigma$ : sum <br> s: Sides | $A=b h$ <br> OR $A=\frac{d 1(d 2)}{2}$ <br> A: Area <br> b: base <br> h : height <br> d: diagonals |


| Square | -all properties of parallelograms -all properties of rectangles -all properties of the Rhombus <br> **Therefore a square is a specific type of rectangle and rhombus. | $P=\sum s$ <br> Perimeter is the sum of all sides. <br> P: Perimeter $\Sigma$ : sum <br> s: Sides | $A=b h$ <br> A: area <br> b: base <br> h: height <br> *base and height are perpendicular |
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| Trapezoid |  | $P=\sum s$ <br> Perimeter is the sum of all sides. <br> P: Perimeter <br> $\Sigma$ : sum <br> s: Sides | $A=\frac{h(b 1+b 2)}{2}$ <br> OR $A=\frac{1}{2} h(b 1+b 2)$ <br> A: Area <br> b1: base 1 <br> b2: base 2 <br> h:height |
| CIRCLES **Not tested this year |  |  |  |
| Circle <br> ** Circles are not polygons |  | $\begin{aligned} & C=\pi d \quad \text { OR } \\ & C=2 \pi r \end{aligned}$ <br> C:circumference (perimeter of a circle) <br> $\pi$ : pi (3.14159 etc) <br> d: diameter <br> r: radius | $\begin{aligned} & A=\pi r^{2} \\ & \text { A: Area } \\ & \pi: \text { pi }(3.14159 \\ & \mathrm{etc}) \\ & \mathrm{r}: \text { radius } \end{aligned}$ |

