## Measurement Benchmarks

You can use benchmarks to estimate measurements.
The chart shows benchmarks for customary units of measurement.

| Benchmarks for Some Customary Units |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6SGUCMD $L_{1} 1 \mathrm{ft}-1$ about 1 foot | $\begin{gathered} -1 \text { yd }-1 \\ \text { about } 1 \\ \text { yard } \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { about } 1 \\ & \text { gallon } \end{aligned}$ | about 1 ounce | about 1 <br> pound |

Here are some more examples of estimating with customary units.

- The width of a professional football is about 1 foot.
- A large fish bowl holds about 1 gallon of water.
- A box of cereal weighs about 1 pound

The chart shows benchmarks for metric units of measurement.

| Benchmarks for Some Metric Units |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | about 1 milliliter | $\underset{\text { about }}{\substack{e \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ \text { liter }}}$ | about 1 gram | about 1 kilogram |

Here are some more examples of estimating with metric units.

- The width of a large paper clip is about 1 centimeter.
- A pitcher holds about 1 lliter of juice.
- Three laps around a track is about 1 kilometer.


## Use benchmarks to choose the customary unit you would use to measure each.

1. length of a school bus
2. weight of a computer

## Use benchmarks to choose the metric unit you would use to measure each.

3. the amount of liquid a bottle of detergent holds
4. distance between two cities

## Customary Units of Length

A ruler is used to measure length. A ruler that is 1 foot long shows 12 inches in 1 foot. A ruler that is 3 feet long is called a yardstick. There are 3 feet in 1 yard.

How does the size of a foot compare to the size of an inch?
Step 1 A small paper clip is about 1 inch long. Below is a drawing of a chain of paper clips that is about 1 foot long. Number each paper clip, starting with 1.


Step 2 Complete this sentence.
In the chain of paper clips shown, there are 12 paper clips.
Step 3 Compare the size of 1 inch to the size of 1 foot.
There are $\underline{12}$ inches in 1 foot.
So, 1 foot is 12 times as long as 1 inch.

## Complete.

1. 5 feet $=$ $\qquad$ inches
2. 3 yards $=$ $\qquad$ feet
3. 5 yards $=$ $\qquad$ feet
4. 4 feet $=$ $\qquad$ inches
5. 6 feet $=$ $\qquad$ inches
6. 8 yards $=$ $\qquad$ feet

## Customary Units of Weight

Ounces and pounds are customary units of weight. A ton is a unit of weight that is equal to 2,000 pounds.

A slice of bread weighs about 1 ounce. Some loaves of bread weigh about 1 pound.

How does the size of 1 ounce compare to the size of 1 pound?
Step 1 You know a slice of bread weighs about 1 ounce. Below is a drawing of a loaf of bread that weighs about 1 pound. Number each slice of bread, starting with 1 .


Step 2 Complete this sentence.
In the loaf of bread shown above, there are $\quad 16$ slices of bread.
Step 3 Compare the size of 1 ounce to the size of 1 pound.
There are 16 ounces in 1 pound.
So, 1 pound is 16 times as heavy as 1 ounce.

## Complete.

1. 2 pounds $=$ $\qquad$ ounces
2. 2 tons $=$ $\qquad$ pounds

Think: $2 \times 16=32$
3. 7 pounds $=$ $\qquad$ ounces
4. 4 pounds $=$ $\qquad$ ounces
5. 3 tons $=$ $\qquad$ pounds
6. 10 pounds $=$ $\qquad$ ounces

## Customary Units of Liquid Volume

Liquid volume is the measure of the space a liquid occupies. Some basic units for measuring liquid volume are gallons, half gallons, quarts, pints, cups, and fluid ounces. The table at the right shows the relationships among some units of liquid volume.

1 cup $=8$ fluid ounces
1 pint $=2$ cups
1 quart = 2 pints
1 half gallon $=2$ quarts
1 gallon = 4 quarts

How does the size of a gallon compare to the size of a pint?

Step 1 Use the information in the table.
Draw a bar to represent 1 gallon.

1 gallon
Step 2 The table shows that 1 gallon is equal to 4 quarts. Draw a bar to show 4 quarts.

| 1 quart | 1 quart | 1 quart | 1 quart |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Step 3 The table shows that 1 quart is equal to 2 pints. Draw a bar to show 2 pints for each of the 4 quarts.

| 1 pint | 1 pint | 1 pint | 1 pint | 1 pint | 1 pint | 1 pint | 1 pint |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |

Step 4 Compare the size of 1 gallon to the size of 1 pint.
There are 8 pints in 1 gallon.
So, 1 gallon is 8 times as much as 1 pint.

Complete. Draw a model to help.

1. 2 quarts $=\ldots$ pints
2. 1 pint $=$ $\qquad$ fluid ounces
3. 3 quarts $=$ $\qquad$ cups
4. 3 pints $=$ $\qquad$ cups
5. 1 gallon $=$ $\qquad$ cups
6. 1 half gallon $=\ldots$ pints
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## Line Plots

Howard gave a piece of paper with several survey questions to his friends. Then he made a list to show how long it took for his friends to answer the survey. Howard wants to know how many surveys took longer than $\frac{2}{12}$ hour.

Make a line plot to show the data.
Step 1 Order the data from least to greatest.

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\frac{1}{12}, \frac{1}{12}, \frac{2}{12}, \frac{3}{12}, \frac{3}{12}, \frac{5}{12}, \frac{6}{12}
$$

Step 2 Make a tally table of the data.
Step 3 Label the fractions of an hour on the number line from least to greatest. Notice that $\frac{4}{12}$ is included even though it is not in the data.

Step 4 Plot an $X$ above the number line for each piece of data. Write a title for the line plot.

Step 5 Count the number of $X$ s that represent data points greater than $\frac{2}{12}$ hour.
There are 4 data points greater than $\frac{2}{12}$ hour.

So, 4 surveys took more than $\frac{2}{12}$ hour.

Time for Survey Answers (in hours) $\begin{array}{lllllll}\frac{1}{12} & \frac{3}{12} & \frac{1}{12} & \frac{2}{12} & \frac{6}{12} & \frac{3}{12} & \frac{5}{12}\end{array}$

| Survey |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Time (in hours) | Tally |
| $\frac{1}{12}$ | $\\|$ |
| $\frac{2}{12}$ | 1 |
| $\frac{3}{12}$ | $\\|$ |
| $\frac{5}{12}$ | $\mid$ |
| $\frac{6}{12}$ |  |



Time for Survey Answers (in hours)

## Use the line plot above for 1 and 2.

1. How many of the surveys that Howard gave to his friends were answered? $\qquad$
2. What is the difference in hours between the longest time and the shortest time that it took Howard's friends to answer the survey?

## Metric Units of Length

Meters (m), decimeters (dm), centimeters (cm), and millimeters (mm) are all metric units of length. You can use a ruler and a meterstick to find out how these units are related.

Materials: ruler, meterstick
Step 1 Look at a metric ruler. Most look like the one below.


The short marks between each centimeter mark show millimeters. 1 centimeter has the same length as a group of 10 millimeters.

Step 2 Look at a meterstick. Most look like the one below.


1 decimeter has the same length as a group of 10 centimeters.
Step 3 Use the ruler and the meterstick to compare metric units of length.
1 centimeter $=10$ millimeters
1 decimeter $=$ $\qquad$ centimeters
1 meter $=\underline{10}$ decimeters 1 meter $=\underline{100}$ centimeters

Complete.

1. 3 meters $=$ $\qquad$ decimeters
2. 5 meters $=$ $\qquad$ centimeters
3. 4 centimeters $=$ $\qquad$ millimeters
4. 9 decimeters $=$ $\qquad$ centimeters

## Metric Units of Mass and Liquid Volume

Mass is the amount of matter in an object. Metric units of mass include grams (g) and kilograms (kg). 1 kilogram represents the same mass as 1,000 grams.

One large loaf of bread has a mass of about 1 kilogram. Jacob has 3 large loaves of bread. About how many grams is the mass of the loaves?


3 kilograms $=3 \times \underline{1,000}$ grams

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=3,000 \text { grams }
$$

Liters (L) and milliliters (mL) are metric units of liquid volume. 1 liter represents the same liquid volume as 1,000 milliliters.

A large bowl holds about 2 liters of juice. Carmen needs to know the liquid volume in milliliters.

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\begin{aligned}
2 \text { liters } & =2 \times \underline{1,000} \text { milliliters } \\
& =\underline{2,000} \text { milliliters }
\end{aligned}
$$

## Complete.

1. 4 kilograms $=$ $\qquad$ grams正
2. 9 liters $=$ $\qquad$ milliliters
3. 3 liters $=$ $\qquad$ milliliters
4. 7 kilograms $=$ $\qquad$ grams
5. 5 kilograms $=$ $\qquad$ grams
6. 8 liters $=$ $\qquad$ milliliters

## Units of Time

Some analog clocks have an hour hand, a minute hand, and a second hand.

There are 60 seconds in a minute. The second hand makes 1 full turn every minute. There are 60 minutes in an hour. The minute hand makes 1 full turn every hour. The hour hand makes 1 full turn every 12 hours.


You can think of the clock as unrolling to become a number line.
hours


The hour hand moves from one number to the next in 1 hour.


The minute hand moves from one number to the next in 5 minutes.

## Use the table at the right to change between units of time.

1 hour $=60$ minutes, or $60 \times 60$ seconds, or 3,600 seconds.

So, 1 hour is 3,600 times as long as 1 second.
1 day $=24$ hours, so 3 days $=3 \times 24$ hours, or
72 hours.

## Units of Time

1 minute $=60$ seconds
1 hour $=60$ minutes
1 day $=24$ hours
1 week $=7$ days
1 year $=12$ months
1 year $=52$ weeks

1 year $=12$ months, so 5 years $=5 \times 12$ months, or 60 months.
Complete.

1. 3 hours $=$ $\qquad$ minutes
2. 2 years $=$ $\qquad$ weeks
3. 6 days $=$ $\qquad$ hours
4. 5 weeks $=$ $\qquad$ days
5. 8 minutes $=$ $\qquad$ seconds
6. 7 years $=$ $\qquad$ months

## Problem Solving • Elapsed Time

Opal finished her art project at 2:25 р.м. She spent 50 minutes working on her project. What time did she start working on her project?

| Read the Problem |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| What do I need to find? | What information do I need to use? | How will I use the information? |
| I need to find Opal's start time. | End time: $\qquad$ <br> Elapsed time: $\qquad$ 50 minutes | I can draw a diagram of a clock. <br> I can then count back 5 minutes at a time until I reach 50 minutes. |
| Solve the Problem |  |  |
| I start by showing 2:25 P.M. on the clock. Then I count back 50 minutes by 5 s . <br> Think: As I count back, I go past the 12. The hour must be 1 hour less than the ending time. <br> The hour will be $\qquad$ 1 o'clock <br> So, Opal started on her project at $\qquad$ 1:35 P.M. |  |  |

## Draw hands on the clock to help you solve the problem.

1. Bill wants to be at school at $8: 05$ A.m. It takes him 20 minutes to walk to school. At what time should Bill leave his house?

Bill should leave his house at $\qquad$ .
2. Mr. Gleason's math class lasts 40 minutes. Math class starts at 9:55 A.м. At what time does math class end?

Math class ends at $\qquad$

3. Hannah rode her bike for 1 hour and 15 minutes until she got a flat tire at 2:30 p.м. What time did Hannah start riding her bike?

Hannah started riding her bike at $\qquad$ .


## Mixed Measures

Gabrielle's puppy weighs 2 pounds 7 ounces. What is the weight of the puppy in ounces?

Step 1 Think of 2 pounds 7 ounces as 2 pounds +7 ounces.
Step 2 Change the pounds to ounces.
Think: 1 pound $=\underline{16}$ ounces
So, 2 pounds $=2 \times 16$ ounces, or 32 ounces.
Step 3 Add like units to find the answer.
32 ounces

So, Gabrielle's puppy weighs 39 ounces.
+7 ounces
39 ounces
Gabrielle played with her puppy for 2 hours 10 minutes yesterday and 1 hour 25 minutes today. How much longer did she play with the puppy yesterday than today?

Step 1 Subtract the mixed measures. Write the subtraction
with like units lined up.
2 hr 10 min
Think: 25 minutes is greater than 10 minutes.
$-1 \mathrm{hr} 25 \mathrm{~min}$
Step 2 Rename 2 hours 10 minutes to subtract.
1 hour $=60$ minutes
170
So, $2 \mathrm{hr} 10 \mathrm{~min}=1 \mathrm{hr}+60 \mathrm{~min}+10 \mathrm{~min}$, or $\underset{\sim}{1} \mathrm{hr} \underset{\sim}{70} \mathrm{~min} . \quad \not 2 \mathrm{hr} \quad 10 \mathrm{~min}$

Step 3 Subtract like units. $\frac{-1 \mathrm{hr} 25 \mathrm{~min}}{0 \mathrm{hr} 45 \mathrm{~min}}$
$1 \mathrm{hr}-1 \mathrm{hr}=0 \mathrm{hr} ; 70 \mathrm{~min}-25 \mathrm{~min}=45 \mathrm{~min}$
So, she played with the puppy 45 minutes longer yesterday than today.

Complete.

1. $4 \mathrm{yd} 2 \mathrm{ft}=$ $\qquad$ ft
2. $1 \mathrm{hr} 20 \mathrm{~min}=$ $\qquad$ min
3. $4 \mathrm{qt} 1 \mathrm{pt}=$ $\qquad$

Add or subtract.
4. $\begin{array}{r}2 \mathrm{gal} 1 \mathrm{qt} \\ +3 \mathrm{gal} 2 \mathrm{qt} \\ \hline\end{array}$
5. 3 lb 12 oz
$-1 \mathrm{lb} 8 \mathrm{oz}$
6. 4 yr 9 mo

- 1 yr 10 mo


## Algebra• Patterns in Measurement Units

Use the relationship between the number pairs to label the columns in the table.

| $\boldsymbol{?}$ | $\boldsymbol{?}$ |
| ---: | ---: |
| 1 | 8 |
| 2 | 16 |
| 3 | 24 |
| 4 | 32 |

Step 1 List the number pairs. 1 and 8; 2 and 16; 3 and 24; 4 and 32
Step 2 Describe the relationship between the numbers in each pair.
The second number is 8 times as great as the first number.
Step 3 Look for a relationship involving 1 and 8 in the table below.

| Length | Weight | Liquid Volume | Time |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 foot $=12$ inches | 1 pound $=16$ ounces | 1 cup $=8$ fluid ounces | 1 minute $=60$ seconds |
| 1 yard $=3$ feet | 1 ton $=2,000$ pounds | 1 pint $=2$ cups | 1 hour $=60$ minutes |
| 1 yard $=36$ inches |  | 1 quart $=2$ pints | 1 day $=24$ hours |
|  |  | 1 gallon $=4$ quarts | 1 week $=7$ days <br> 1 year $=12$ months <br> 1 year $=52$ weeks |

So, the label for the first column is $\qquad$ The label for the second column is $\qquad$

Each table shows a pattern for two customary units. Label the columns of the table.
1.

|  |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 12 |
| 2 | 24 |
| 3 | 36 |
| 4 | 48 |

2. 

|  |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 2,000 |
| 2 | 4,000 |
| 3 | 6,000 |
| 4 | 8,000 |

