

Calculating perimeter

Finding the perimeter of a shape means finding the distance around the entire shape. We will be measuring in mm, cm and m. To find the perimeter we need to know the lengths of each side and add them together. Use the properties of the shapes to help work out missing lengths.



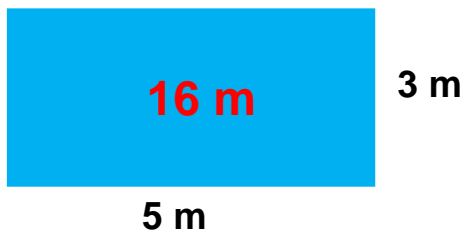
To find the perimeter of this shape we need to work out this calculation:

$$5\text{cm} + 5\text{cm} + 5\text{cm} + 5\text{cm} = \mathbf{20\text{cm}}$$

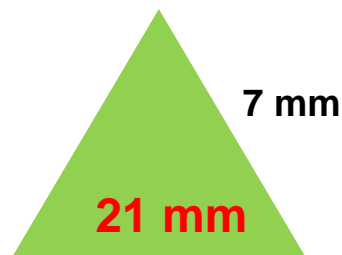
Remember, the sides of a square are all the same length.

Guided Practice

Work out the perimeter of these shapes - write down your calculations



Remember, the opposite sides of a rectangle are the same.



Remember, the sides of an equilateral triangle are all the same length.

Independent Practice

Work out the perimeter of these shapes – write down your calculations

