Area: The amount of space inside the boundary of a 2-dimensional shape. The area of a rectangle is equal to width times length.

1 Shapes made out of rectangles

1. Find the area for the following shapes. (Hint: First find all the side lengths you need to compute the area similar to what you did last week with the perimeter.)

Area =

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2. The width of the rectangle below is 5 cm, the length of the rectangle is 9 cm, and the gaps are 3 cm by 2 cm. Calculate the area of the shaded region.

Area=

3. Three squares of side length 4cm are cut out from a rectangle of size 6 cm by 9 cm. What is the area of the shaded region? Start by labeling all the sides.

Area=
4. The figure below shows a large rectangle that has a length of 30m and a width of 16m.

(a) What is the width and length of each shaded rectangle?

Length =

Width =

(b) What is the perimeter of each shaded rectangle?

Perimeter =

(c) What is the area of each shaded rectangle?

Area =

(d) What is the area of the big rectangle?

Area =

(e) If you laid the shaded rectangles next to each other with no spaces, what is the maximum amount of shaded rectangles you could fit in the big white rectangle? Make a picture:
2 Finding the area of parallelograms

You can find the area of a rectangle by the following familiar formula: \( A = \text{width} \times \text{length} \). However, another way to name the vertical side, is by height as this does show the height of your rectangle. Thus, modifying the formula to \( A = \text{width} \times \text{height} \).

The following shape is a parallelogram that we are familiar with:

Finding the area of a parallelogram is very similar to finding the area of a rectangle as long as you are given the height of the parallelogram. This height is NOT represented by the parallel sides at an angle. The height is the distance between the two parallel horizontal sides, as seen below:

If you cut off the triangle shaded and move it to the other side of the parallelogram, you now have made a rectangle:

Thus, the area of a parallelogram is \( A = \text{width} \times \text{height} \).
1. Look at the parallelogram on the grid below:

(a) What is the height of the parallelogram?

(b) What is the length of the base?

(c) What is the area?

2. On the grid paper given to you, draw several possible rectangles with area 8. How many different rectangles with area 8 can you draw? (Assume that the sides of the rectangles are parallel to the grid lines and that the side length are whole numbers.)
3. Below is a flower made out of equal sized parallelograms:

![Diagram of a flower made of parallelograms]

The following information is given:

- the height of one parallelogram is 3 inches
- the width of 2 parallelograms side by side is 8 inches.

(a) What is the width of one parallelogram?

(b) What is the area of the one parallelogram

(c) If you notice, each flower petal makes a bigger parallelogram, how many parallelogram petals are there?

(d) How many small parallelograms make up the flower?

(e) What is the area of the entire flower?