Measuring Area and
Perimeter

## What is area?

When we measure area, we figure out how much space is inside a shape.

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## Examples of Area:



How big is this rug?

How big is my house?


How many tiles do I need for my bathroom?


## How do we measure the area of a rectangle?

First measure the bottom edge to find the base.


The base of this rectangle is 6 inches.

## How do we measure the area of a rectangle?

Next measure one side to find the height of the rectangle.


## How do we measure the area of a rectangle?

Now to find the area, we multiply the base times the height. ( $\mathrm{b} \times \mathrm{h}=\mathrm{a}$ )


## How do we measure the area of a rectangle?

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6 \times 3=18 \text { square inches }
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We can see that there are 18 squares covering this rectangle.

| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
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| 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 |
| 6 6 inches |  |  |  |  |  |



Let's check our answers.


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## What is perimeter?

When we measure perimeter, we figure out how far it is around the outside of a shape.


## Examples of perimeter:

If these kids walked all the way around this pool, how far did they walk?


## Examples of perimeter:



How much border is needed for this bulletin board?


How much wood do we need for each garden?

## How do we measure the perimeter of a rectangle?

First measure the bottom edge to find the base. The top will be the same length.
The top of this rectangle is also 6 inches.


The base of this rectangle is 6 inches.

## How do we measure the area of a rectangle?

Next measure one side to find the height of the rectangle. The other side will be the same.


## How do we measure the area of a rectangle?

Now to find the perimeter, we add up all the sides.

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3+3+6+6=18 \text { inches }
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6 inches



Let's check our answers.


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