Metric System – Pt. 1



Learning Objectives

 Identify the basic metric units used to measure length, weight, and volume.

• List the common metric prefixes.

Metric System



• The metric system is an internationally agreed decimal system of measurement based on powers of 10.

Base Unit

Standard **Base Unit** of Measurement:

Length -Meter (mMass (weight) -Gram (g)Volume -Liter (l)Temperature -Degree CTime -Second (

Meter (m) Gram (g) Liter (l) Degree Celsius (C) Second (s)

Metric System Prefixes

Kilo (k) - 1000 Hecto (h) - 100 Deca (da) - 10 Base Unit - 1 Deci (d) - 0.1 Centi (c) - 0.01 Milli (m) - 0.001

King Henry Died By Drinking Chocolate Milk

When you add a prefix to a base unit, you change it's value.

Metric System

Prefix + Base Unit = Metric System value

Example:

<u>Prefix</u> + <u>Base Unit</u> centi + meter

= centimeter

Write the Correct Abbreviation

- 1. Kilogram kg
- 2. Meter m
- 3. Milliliter ml
- 4. Liter L or I

- 5. Kilometer km
- 6. Centimeter cm
- 7. Milligram mg
- 8. Gram g

Conversion Chaos

Sometimes we need to convert meters to centimeters or kilometers. How do we do that?

Conversion Ladder Method

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Conversion Steps

Determine your starting point.
4 km = _____m
Starting Point Ending Point
Count the # of "jumps" to your end point using your ladder.

3. Move the decimal the same number of jumps in the same direction.

____. = 4000 m

Conversion Ladder Practice Try these conversions using the ladder method

- 1. 2000 mg = ____ g 6. 5 L = ____ ml
- 2. 104 km = ____ m 7. 198 g = ____ kg
- 3. 480 cm = ____ m
- 4. ____ kg = 5600 g
- 5. $8 \text{ mm} = _ \text{cm}$ 10. $65 \text{ g} = _ \text{mg}$

- 8. ____ ml = .075 L
- 9. 50 cm = ____ m

Conversion Ladder Practice Which is larger?

- 1. 1 L or (1500 ml) 1 L = ml orL = 1500 ml
- 2. 200 ml or 1.2 L 200 ml = $_$ L or $_$ ml = 1.2 L



12 cm = ____ m or ____ cm - 1.2 m

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Metric System – Part 2



Learning Objectives

 Demonstrate proficiency in measuring length, volume and mass in metric units.

• Measure irregular objects

Measuring Length Length – the longest extent of anything as measured from end to end.



The base unit of length is the meter (m)

Measuring Length



How many millimeters (mm) are in 1 centimeter (cm)? What is the length of the red line in centimeters (cm)? What is the length of the red line in millimeters (mm)?

Measuring Mass

Mass refers to the amount of matter in an object.



The base unit of mass is the gram (g). To measure mass, we use a balance or scale.

How to Use a Triple Beam Balance



Zero the balance then add the object onto the weight pan. Slide the largest rider, then the medium, then smallest until the pointer is steady at zero. Add the values to get the total.

Measuring Volume

Volume is the amount of space an object takes up.



The base unit of volume is the liter (L or I). To measure volume, we use a graduated cylinder.

Meniscus

Volume is measured at the bottom of the meniscus.



A concave meniscus occurs when the molecules of the liquid are attracted to the sides of the container.

Measuring Volume

What is the volume in each graduated cylinder?



Measuring the Volume of Regular-Shaped Objects

We can measure the volume of a regular object using the formula: Length X Width X Height



Measuring the Volume of Irregular-Shaped Objects

We can measure the volume of an irregular object using the Water Displacement Method



Amt. of H20 w/ object = 75 mlAmt. of H20 w/o object = 50 ml

Difference = 25 ml

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