## Measurement: Measure Perimeter

## Aim

Measure the perimeter of simple 2-D shapes.

To calculate the perimeter of shapes.

## Success Criteria

I can measure the length of the sides of shapes and calculate the perimeter.
I can draw different shapes with the same perimeter.

Key/New Words
Perimeter, sides, calculate, measure, centimetre.

Resources
Lesson Pack
Centimetre rulers
Centimetre-squared grids

## Preparation

Finding Perimeter Activity Sheets - one per child

Differentiated Measure Perimeter Activity Sheets - one per child
Diving into Mastery Activity Sheets - as required

| Prior Learning | It will be helpful if children are able to measure length in centimetres, covered in Measure Length |
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Learning Sequence


Diving into Mastery: Schools using a mastery approach may prefer to use the following as an alternative activity. These sheets might not necessarily be used in a linear way. Some children might begin at the 'Deeper' section and in fact, others may 'dive straight in' to the 'Deepest' section if they have already mastered the skill and are applying this to show their depth of understanding.

Children practise their fluency skills by measuring the perimeter of a variety of shapes.

Children identify whether perimeters of shapes are correct, giving the actual perimeter if incorrect. They reason about how to calculate the perimeter of rectangles.

Children answer open-ended problems about the perimeter of shapes, where there are multiple possible answers.

## Exploreit

Estimateit: Children find objects around the room and estimate the perimeter. They measure the perimeter and check against their estimates.

Learnit: Children will find this superb, visually exciting Knowledge Organiser a useful tool to support their understanding of length and perimeter.


## Maths

Measurement


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Add the numbers together.
Do you have to add them in the order they are written? Think about a good way to add the numbers.

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4+5+4+6=4+4+5+6=8+11=19 \tag{1}
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3 $9+4+6+1=9+1+4+6=10+10=20$
$4 \quad 12+7+3+8=12+8+7+3=30$
$56+9+6+9=6+9+6+9=15+15=30$
$6 \quad 16+5+4+4=16+4+5+4=29$

Did you order the numbers in the same way?

Perimeter is the measurement around the outside of an enclosed shape.


## For which of these shapes could you measure the perimeter?



Why couldn't you measure the perimeter of the shapes with a cross?
It's because these shapes are not enclosed

- they have a gap in one of the sides.

To calculate the perimeter of this shape, we would need to measure all 4 sides and add them together.


Let's measure side 4. How long is the fourth side?

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10 \mathrm{~cm}+5 \mathrm{~cm}+10 \mathrm{~cm}+5 \mathrm{~cm}=30 \mathrm{~cm}
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10 cm


Add all the sides together
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How would you add the measurements?

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10 cm

Add all the sides together to get the perimeter.

10 cm
Perimeter $=40 \mathrm{~cm}$

How did you add the sides together to get the perimeter?

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What do you know about the sides of squares? They are equal, so we could use multiplication.

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4 \times 10=40
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Use a ruler to measure the perimeter of the shapes on the Find the Perimeter Sheet.

## Finding Perimeter

Use a ruler to measure the length of each side. Then add together the lengths of the sides to calculate the perimeter. Show how you worked out the answer.


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Here are some ways the perimeter of the shapes could have been calculated.


What is the perimeter of this shape?



Dive in by completing your own activity!


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1) a) 12 cm
b) 11 cm
c) 10 cm
d) 14 cm
2) a) 12 cm
b) 14 cm
c) 16 cm
3) a) Incorrect. The perimeter should be 12 cm .
$3+3+3+3=12$
b) Correct.
c) Correct.
d) Incorrect. The perimeter should be 14 cm . $\mathbf{2 + 4 + 3 + 2 + 3 = 1 4}$
4) Jamie is incorrect. To find the perimeter of a rectangle, you need to measure one of the shorter and one of the longer sides and then double that total amount. The opposite sides would be same lengths. If Jamie doubled the total of the longest sides, his answer would be too large.
5) a) 12 cm
b) There are many possible answers. Here are some examples:

c) Children's answers will vary depending on the shapes drawn in part b). For example:


| Shortest <br> Perimeter |  |  | Longest <br> Perimeter |
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| C | D | B | A |

2) Children's answers will vary depending on the shapes drawn in question 1.
3) Measure the perimeter of each shape.
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Shapes not to scale.

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2) Measure the perimeter of each shape.
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1) Bryn has measured the perimeter of each shape, but has made some mistakes.

- Which measurements are correct? Which are incorrect?
- If incorrect, what is the correct perimeter?
a) Perimeter $=9 \mathrm{~cm}$

b) Perimeter $=12 \mathrm{~cm}$

c) Perimeter $=17 \mathrm{~cm}$

d) Perimeter $=18 \mathrm{~cm}$


Show your working out.


Shapes not to scale.
2) Jamie is measuring the perimeter of a rectangle.


Do you agree? Explain your reasons.
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1) McKenzie has made this shape by shading 6 squares on a grid.

a) What is the perimeter of McKenzie's shape?

b)


Prove McKenzie is wrong by drawing 4 different shapes made up of 6 squares on these grids:

Shape A

c) Sort your shapes into order from the shape with the shortest perimeter to the shape with the longest perimeter.


Shape B

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2) Compare your shapes with those drawn by a friend. What similarities and differences can you see?
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c) Label your shapes $A, B, C$, and $D$. Sort them into order from the shape with the shortest perimeter to the shape with the longest perimeter.

| Shortest <br> Perimeter |  |  | Longest <br> Perimeter |
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## Finding Perimeter

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Finding Perimeter Answers
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Perimeter $=\mathbf{1 8} \mathbf{c m}$

To calculate the perimeter of shapes.

1) Use your ruler to measure the length of each side.

Add together the lengths to find the perimeter.
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2) A shape has been drawn on the grid which has a perimeter of 16 cm . Draw 3 different shapes which have a perimeter of 16 cm .

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3) Find objects around the classroom. Measure the lengths of the sides and calculate the perimeter. Ask a friend to check your measurements.

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## Measure Perimeter

To calculate the perimeter of shapes.

1) Use your ruler to measure the length of each side. Add together the lengths to find the perimeter. Order the shapes from shortest perimeter to longest.

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## Perimeter =

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2) Can you calculate the perimeter of this square without measuring all the sides?

Explain how you know and calculate the perimeter without measuring the unmarked sides.


> Perimeter =
3) Draw 3 different shapes which have the same perimeter as the shape drawn on the grid.

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4) Draw a shape which has a perimeter greater than the first shape, but smaller than the second.

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## Measure Perimeter

To calculate the perimeter of shapes.

1) Use your ruler to measure the length of each side.

Add together the lengths to find the perimeter. Order the shapes from longest to shortest.


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2) Can you calculate the perimeter of this rectangle without measuring all the sides? Explain how you know and calculate the perimeter without measuring the unmarked sides.

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## Perimeter $=$

3) Draw 3 different shapes which have the same perimeter as the shape drawn on the grid.

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4) Draw shapes on the grid to match the statements given.

Shape A: a rectangle with a perimeter less than 16 cm but greater than 10 cm .
Shape B: a square with a perimeter greater than 16 cm but less than 40 cm
Shape C: a shape with more than 4 sides, with a perimeter greater than 18 cm .

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## Measure Perimeter Answers

To calculate the perimeter of shapes.

1) Use your ruler to measure the length of each side.

Add together the lengths to find the perimeter.
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b)

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2) Shapes drawn have a perimeter of 16 cm . Example shapes:

3) Find objects around the classroom. Measure the lengths of the sides and calculate the perimeter. Ask a friend to check your measurements.

Multiple answers possible. Total of the sides equals the perimeter.

## Measure Perimeter Answers

To calculate the perimeter of shapes.

1) Use your ruler to measure the length of each side. Add together the lengths to find the perimeter. Order the shapes from shortest perimeter to longest.

Shape A: Perimeter $=\mathbf{2 0} \mathrm{cm}$
Shape B: Perimeter $=14 \mathrm{~cm}$
Shape C Perimeter $=18 \mathrm{~cm}$
Shape D: Perimeter $=16 \mathrm{~cm}$
Shape E: Perimeter $=\mathbf{2 2 c m}$

| shortest | longest |  |  |  |
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| B | D | C | A | E |

2) Can you calculate the perimeter of this square without measuring all the sides?

Explain how you know and calculate the perimeter without measuring the unmarked sides.

It is possible to calculate the perimeter of the square without measuring the length of all of the sides. As all sides of a square are equal, each side measures 4 cm .

Perimeter $=16 \mathrm{~cm}$
3) Shapes drawn have a perimeter of 18 cm . Example shapes:

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4) Shape drawn has a perimeter greater than 14 cm and less than 22 cm . Example shape shown.

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## Measure Perimeter Answers

To calculate the perimeter of shapes.

1) Use your ruler to measure the length of each side.

Add together the lengths to find the perimeter. Order the shapes from longest to shortest.
Shape A: Perimeter $=18 \mathrm{~cm}$
Shape B: Perimeter $=\mathbf{2 0} \mathbf{c m}$
Shape C Perimeter $=22 \mathrm{~cm}$
Shape D: Perimeter $=12 \mathrm{~cm}$
Shape E: Perimeter $=10 \mathrm{~cm}$

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| C | B | A | shortest |

2) Can you calculate the perimeter of this rectangle without measuring all the sides? Explain how you know and calculate the perimeter without measuring the unmarked sides.

It is possible to calculate the perimeter of the rectangle without measuring the length of all of the sides. Opposite sides of the rectangle are equal.

Perimeter $=14 \mathrm{~cm}$
3) Shapes drawn have a perimeter of 20 cm . Example shapes:

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4) Multiple shapes possible. Example shapes:

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