## Measurement: Beside the Seaside

## Aim:

Use, read, write and convert between standard units, converting measurements of length, mass, volume and time from a smaller unit of measure to a larger unit, and vice versa, using decimal notation to up to three decimal places.
I can read, write and convert between standard units of length.

## Success Criteria:

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## Key/New Words:

Convert, kilometre, metre, centimetre, millimetre.

Resources:
Lesson Pack
Individual whiteboards and pens - class set

## Preparation:

Differentiated Converting Metric Units of Length Activity Sheet - one per child

Prior Learning: It will be helpful if children know the basic conversions of metric measurements of length.

## Learning Sequence

What Will I Use? Children decide the best item to use to measure a variety of objects found at the seaside. They
then choose the best unit of measurement to measure the objects.

|  | different. Children <br> solve word problems <br> involving conversion. | of a set of length <br> measurements and <br> explain why this <br> measurement is <br> different. Children <br> solve a more complex <br> reasoning style word <br> problem, comparing <br> length measurements <br> written in 3 different <br> units of length. <br> An Extra Challenge <br> Activity Sheet is <br> also included. |
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## Exploreit

Throwit: In an outside place, children throw a bean bag and measure how far they have thrown it. They record the measurement in as many different units as they feel confident to do.
Compareit: Children collect similarly proportioned objects from around the classroom before measuring and comparing the lengths of the objects using <, > or =.


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## What Will I Use?




Can you think of one thing to measure with each item?


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Now you have chosen the measuring item, which unit do you think would be the most suitable for measuring each thing?

## centimetre

millimetre
metre
kilometre


## Using Multiplication to Convert between Units of Length



There are 1000 metres in a kilometre, so we need to multiply by 1000 to convert from kilometres to metres.

There are 100 centimetres in a metre, so we need to multiply by 100 to convert from metres to centimetres.

There are 10 millimetres in a centimetre, so we need to multiply by 10 to convert from centimetres to millimetres.

## Using Multiplication to Convert between Units of Length

These charts help us to visualise how to convert a larger unit of length to a smaller unit.


## Using Division to Convert between Units of Length



## Using Multiplication and Division to Convert between Units of Length

If we put the charts together it will help us to convert between larger and smaller units.


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& 4.735 \mathrm{~km}=4735 \mathrm{~m} \quad 8.63 \mathrm{~m}=463 \mathrm{~cm} \quad 5.8 \mathrm{~cm}=58 \mathrm{~mm} \\
& 2500 \mathrm{~m}=4.5 \mathrm{~km} \quad 385 \mathrm{~cm}=4.85 \mathrm{~m} \quad 97 \mathrm{~mm}=9.7 \mathrm{~cm}
\end{aligned}
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# Using Multiplication and Division to Convert between Units of Length 

We could combine the charts to create this single chart:


This will help to convert units which are not next to one another.

# Using Multiplication and Division to Convert between Units of Length 

What calculation would you do to convert from metres to millimetres?

## km

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\times 100 \times 1000 \times 10
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To convert from metres to millimetres you multiply by 1000.

## Using Multiplication and Division to Convert between Units of Length

What calculation would you do to convert from kilometres to centimetres?


To convert from kilometres to centimetres you multiply by 100000.

# Using Multiplication and Division to Convert between Units of Length 

What calculation would you do to convert from millimetres to metres?


To convert from millimetres to metres you divide by 1000.

## Using Multiplication and Division to Convert between Units of Length

What calculation would you do to convert from centimetres to kilometres?


To convert from centimetres to kilometres you divide by 100000.

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4 \mathrm{~m} & =4000 \mathrm{~mm} & 875 \mathrm{~mm}=0.875 \mathrm{~m} \\
89000 \mathrm{~cm} & =0.89 \mathrm{~km} & 825 \mathrm{~mm}=0.825 \mathrm{~m}
\end{array}
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## The Seaside Visit: Who Is Correct?

After SATs, Year 6 are going on a visit to the seaside.


## The Seaside Visit: Who Is Correct?

Before they set off, the teacher asked the children these questions.

| Question | Drew | Jasmin | Who Is Correct? |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| How far do you have to travel to school? | I live 1.85 km from school. I have a longer journey to school than Jasmin. | I live 1585 m from school. My journey is the longest. | Drew |
| What is the length of the coach you are travelling on? | The coach I am travelling on is 15.75 m long. It is the longer of the 2 coaches. | Our coach is 1580 cm long. It is the longest coach. | Jasmin |



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With 10 minutes to go, here are the lengths of the pebbles:


As the
measurements are written using different units, convert them so they are all the same unit.

In the last 10 minutes, the teams extend their lines by the following amounts:
Team A: 210 cm
Team B: 3000 mm
Team C: 2.95 m
Order the teams from longest to shortest at the end of the competition.


## Converting Metric Units of Length

Use your fantastic skills to complete these activity sheets.


## Back at School

While they were at the seaside, the children found a crab. They made a measurement of its width from one claw to another. It measured 125 mm . The children thought it was huge! However, they began to research different crabs around the world. Here is some of the information they found. The measurements are written using a range of units.


State whether this statement is true or false. Say how you know.

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## Next Steps

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1. Use the above charts to help you to convert these length measurements:
a. $4 \mathrm{~km}=\quad \mathrm{m}$
b. $8.5 \mathrm{~km}=\quad \mathrm{m}$
c. $1500 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{km}$
d. $12 \mathrm{~m}=\quad \mathrm{cm}$
e. $6.5 \mathrm{~m}=\square \mathrm{cm}$
f. $900 \mathrm{~cm}=\quad \mathrm{m}$
g. $9 \mathrm{~cm}=\quad \mathrm{mm}$
i. $145 \mathrm{~mm}=\square \mathrm{cm}$
h. $16.3 \mathrm{~cm}=\quad \mathrm{mm}$
j. $99 \mathrm{~mm}=\quad \mathrm{cm}$
2. Here are the measurements of some pieces of seaweed, which do you think is the odd one out? Explain why.

| 0.65 m | 65 cm | 6.5 m | 650 mm |
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3. Clara went for a walk along the beach. She walked 950 m , then had a rest. She walked another 1.2 km . How far did she walk in total? Write your answer in kilometres, using decimals. Show how you worked out the answer.
4. Two friends are flying their kites on the beach. The length of the string of Jatinder's kite measures 1.25 m . Sydney's string measures 1500 mm . Sydney says his kite string is more than 50 cm longer than Jatinder's kite string. Is he right? Show how you worked out the answer.

## Converting Metric Units of Length Answers

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| a. $4 \mathrm{~km}=4000 \mathrm{~m}$ | b. $8.5 \mathrm{~km}=8500 \mathrm{~m}$ |
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| c. $1500 \mathrm{~m}=1.5 \mathrm{~km}$ | d. $12 \mathrm{~m}=1200 \mathrm{~cm}$ |
| e. $6.5 \mathrm{~m}=650 \mathrm{~cm}$ | f. $900 \mathrm{~cm}=9 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| g. $9 \mathrm{~cm}=90 \mathrm{~mm}$ | h. $16.3 \mathrm{~cm}=163 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| i. $145 \mathrm{~mm}=14.5 \mathrm{~cm}$ | j. $99 \mathrm{~mm}=9.9 \mathrm{~cm}$ |

2. Here are the measurements of some pieces of seaweed, which do you think is the odd one out? Explain why.
The odd one out is 6.5 m , all the other measurements are equal.
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No he is not right. His string is $25 \mathrm{~cm}(250 \mathrm{~mm})$ longer.

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1.25 \mathrm{~m}=125 \mathrm{~cm}=1250 \mathrm{~mm} \quad 1500 \mathrm{~mm}-1250 \mathrm{~mm}=250 \mathrm{~mm}=25 \mathrm{~cm}
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## Converting Metric Units of Length

I can read, write and convert between standard units of length.

kilometres to

metres to

centimetres to
millimetres to


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1. Fill in the missing boxes above.
2. Use the above charts to help you to convert these length measurements:
a. $4.7 \mathrm{~km}=\quad \mathrm{m}$
b. $8.125 \mathrm{~km}=\quad \mathrm{m}$
c. $9200 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{km}$
d. $8.5 \mathrm{~m}=\quad \mathrm{mm}$
e. $5.9 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{cm}$
f. $4.68 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{cm}$
g. $1200 \mathrm{~cm}=\mathrm{m}$
h. $679 \mathrm{~cm}=\mathrm{m}$
i. $6.18 \mathrm{~cm}=\square \mathrm{mm}$
j. $7884 \mathrm{~mm}=\mathrm{m}$
3. Here are the measurements of some boats, which do you think is the odd one out? Explain why.

| 15000 mm | 1500 cm | 150 m | 15 m |
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4. On the beach, two teams were making trails of shells. At 11 o'clock, Team A's trail is 15.75 m and by 12 o'clock they had made it 13000 mm longer. Team B's trail measured 1345 cm at 11 o'clock and by 12 o'clock it was 0.015 km longer. Which team had the longer trail? Show how you worked out the answer.

## Converting Metric Units of Length Answers

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| a. $4.7 \mathrm{~km}=4700 \mathrm{~m}$ | b. $8.125 \mathrm{~km}=8125 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| c. $9200 \mathrm{~m}=9.2 \mathrm{~km}$ | d. $8.5 \mathrm{~m}=8500 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| e. $5.9 \mathrm{~m}=590 \mathrm{~cm}$ | f. $4.68 \mathrm{~m}=468 \mathrm{~cm}$ |
| g. $1200 \mathrm{~cm}=12 \mathrm{~m}$ | h. $679 \mathrm{~cm}=6.79 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| i. $6.18 \mathrm{~cm}=61.8 \mathrm{~mm}$ | j. $7884 \mathrm{~mm}=7.884 \mathrm{~m}$ |

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Explain why.
The odd one out is 150 m , all the other measurements are equal.
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Team A: $15.75 \mathrm{~m}+13000 \mathrm{~mm}$.
Change to same unit (here centimetres) $1575 \mathrm{~cm}+1300 \mathrm{~cm}=2875 \mathrm{~cm}$
Team B: $1345 \mathrm{~cm}+0.015 \mathrm{~km}$
Change to same unit (here metres) $13.45 \mathrm{~m}+15 \mathrm{~m}=28.45 \mathrm{~m}$
Now change both to the same unit: Team $A=28.75 \mathrm{~m}$; Team $B=28.45 \mathrm{~m}$
Team A had the longer trail.
(Answers may have different conversions)

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2. Use the above charts to help you to convert these length measurements:
a. $5.83 \mathrm{~km}=\quad \mathrm{m}$
b. $9.755 \mathrm{~km}=\quad \mathrm{m}$
c. $1009 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{km}$
d. $8090 \mathrm{~m}=\mathrm{km}$
e. 3.1 m

f. $14.77 \mathrm{~m}=\square \mathrm{cm}$
g. $5705 \mathrm{~cm}=\mathrm{m}$
h. $13700 \mathrm{~cm}=\mathrm{km}$
i. $14.68 \mathrm{~cm}=\square \mathrm{mm}$
j. $1330 \mathrm{~mm}=\mathrm{cm}$
3. Write these measurements using as many different units as you can. One is done for you:

| 450 m | $0.45 \mathrm{~km}, 45000 \mathrm{~cm}, 450000 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 79500 cm |  |
| 1.2 km |  |

4. Children measure how far it is to walk from where the coach is parked, over the beach to the sea, using different units of measurement. Which do you think is correct? Explain why.

| 7.05 m | 705 cm | 7050 mm | 0.75 km |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

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5. Back at school, the children researched into different large marine animals. Daisy found out that a humpback whale calf can measure 600 cm in length and grow to be a gigantic 16 m long. Abdul found out that, at its time of hatching, a giant squid is only 140 mm long and can grow to be over 10000 cm in length. Daisy said that the humpback whale calf is more than 38 times longer than the baby giant squid. Abdul said that an adult giant squid is over 650 times longer than a baby giant squid. Who is correct? Show your working out.


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| a. $5.83 \mathrm{~km}=5830 \mathrm{~m}$ | b. $9.755 \mathrm{~km}=9755 \mathrm{~m}$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| c. $1009 \mathrm{~m}=1.009 \mathrm{~km}$ | d. $8090 \mathrm{~m}=8.09 \mathrm{~km}$ |
| e. $3.1 \mathrm{~m}=3100 \mathrm{~mm}$ | f. $14.77 \mathrm{~m}=1477 \mathrm{~cm}$ |
| g. $5705 \mathrm{~cm}=57.05 \mathrm{~m}$ | h. $13700 \mathrm{~cm}=0.137 \mathrm{~km}$ |
| i. $14.68 \mathrm{~cm}=146.8 \mathrm{~mm}$ | j. $1330 \mathrm{~mm}=133 \mathrm{~cm}$ |

3. Write these measurements using as many different units as you can. One is done for you:

| 450 m | $0.45 \mathrm{~km}, 45000 \mathrm{~cm}, 450000 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| :---: | :---: |
| 79500 cm | $0.795 \mathrm{~km}, 795 \mathrm{~m}, 795000 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| 1.2 km | $1200 \mathrm{~m}, 120000 \mathrm{~cm}, 1200000 \mathrm{~mm}$ |

4. Children measure how far it is to walk from where the coach is parked, over the beach to the sea, using different units of measurement. Which do you think is correct? Explain why. The correct measurement for the walk to the beach will probably be 0.75 km , all the other measurements are equal to 7.5 metres which wouldn't really count as a walk.
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Daisy is correct. $14 \mathrm{~cm} \times 38=532 \mathrm{~cm}$
This is less than the length of a humpback whale calf.
Abdul is correct. $14 \mathrm{~cm} \times 650=9100 \mathrm{~cm}$
An adult giant squid is longer than 9100 cm .

## Extra Challenge

I can read, write and convert between standard units of length.
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You probably already know these conversion facts:

| $1 \mathrm{~km}=1000 \mathrm{~m}$ | $1 \mathrm{~m}=100 \mathrm{~cm}$ | $1 \mathrm{~cm}=10 \mathrm{~mm}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |

Here are some other conversion facts which aren't used as often:

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\begin{array}{l|l}
1 \text { decimetre }(\mathrm{dm})=10 \mathrm{~cm} & 1 \text { decametre }(\mathrm{dam})=10 \mathrm{~m}
\end{array}
$$

So from largest to smallest, this is how the units are ordered:
kilometre, decametre, metre, decimetre, centimetre, millimetre

Create a conversion chart to help you answer the questions below. This one has been started.


Use the information above to convert these units of measurement:

| a) |  | b) |  | c) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10km | dam | 5dam | m | $2.5 \mathrm{dam}=$ | dm |
| d) |  | e) |  | f) |  |
| 3.7 dm | mm | $12.2 \mathrm{dm}=$ | dam | $550 \mathrm{~mm}=$ | dm |
| g) |  | h) |  | i) |  |
| 5560dam | km | $1800 \mathrm{~cm}=$ | dam | $13.55 \mathrm{~cm}=$ | dm |

## Extra Challenge Answers



| a) |  | b) |  | c) $2.5 \mathrm{dam}=$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $10 \mathrm{~km}=$ | 1000dam | $5 \mathrm{dam}=$ | 50 m |  | 250 dm |
| d) |  | e) $12.2 \mathrm{dm}=$ |  | f) $550 \mathrm{~mm}=$ |  |
| $3.7 \mathrm{dm}=$ | 370 mm |  | 0.122 dam | $550 \mathrm{~mm}=$ | 5.5 dm |
| g) |  | h) |  | i) $13.55 \mathrm{~cm}=$ |  |
| 5560dam $=$ | 55.6 km | $1800 \mathrm{~cm}=$ | 1.8 dam |  | 1.355 dm |

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