Lesson #2: Rectangular and Triangular Prisms

Math 9 – Unit 5: Measurement

Learning Goal: We are learning to calculate the surface area and volume for common 3D shapes and composite figures.

Some Strategies

- When looking at surface area
 - Draw the net or label each side of the shape with letters (so you don't forget any!)
 - Find the area of each 2D shape by itself, using yesterday's formulas, then add all of them together
- When looking at volume
 - o Be careful what you pick as the base
 - Divide composite objects into smaller simple 3D shapes and find the volume of each, then add all of them together.

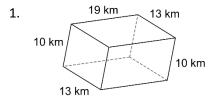
Important Formulas

Volume is always the "area of the base" × "the height"

Volume of a rectangular prism: V = lwh

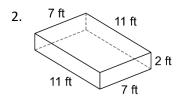
Volume of a triangular prism: $A = \frac{1}{2}bhl$ OR $A = \frac{bhl}{2}$

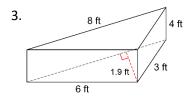
For each figure, draw the net, then calculate the surface area and the volume.

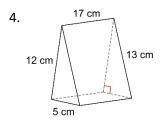


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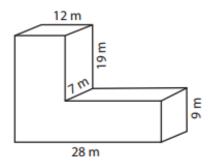




Use the appropriate formula to solve for the missing measurement.

5. A rectangular prism has a volume of $5940cm^2$ with a height of 15cm and a length of 33cm. What is the width of the box?

6. Calculate the surface area and the volume of the composite figure.



Success Criteria:

- I can find the surface area of prisms by adding up the areas of each side
- I can find the volume of prisms by using the appropriate formula (area of the base × height)
- I can find the surface area of composite figures by breaking it down into smaller parts and finding the surface area of each part
- I can find the volume of composite figures by breaking it down into smaller parts and finding the volume of each part