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Topic Check In - 10.03 Area calculations

Calculators are allowed and answers should be rounded to 1 dp where appropriate.

Calculate the area of the following shapes.



7. Explain why the area of the rectangle is the same as the area of the parallelogram in the diagrams below.









- 8. Explain why you cannot have a circle with an area of exactly 9 cm².
- 9. How many circles with radius 2 cm can be drawn inside a square with area 64 cm²? The circles can touch but may not overlap.
- 10. A bag of grass seed will cover 20 m². How many complete bags are needed to completely cover a circle of radius 10 m?

Extension

How many different shapes can you find with an area between 10 cm² and 11 cm²? State the dimensions for each of the shapes, and show that each area is within the specified range of acceptable areas.





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Answers

2. 24 cm²

1. $60 \, \text{cm}^2$

- 3. 30 cm²
- 4. 60 cm²
- 5. 50.3 cm² (to 1 dp)
- 6. The sum of the area of two rectangles is $3 \times 8 + 4 \times 2$ or $7 \times 2 + 6 \times 3$.
- A right-angled triangle can be moved from one end to the other end of the parallelogram to change the parallelogram into a rectangle (base × height ≡ length × width).
- 8. π is irrational so the answer to a circle area calculation will never be a whole number, it will always be rounded.
- 9. If r = 2 then d = 4 so 4 circles, arranged 2 by 2, will fit into a square of length 8 cm $(\sqrt{64} = 8)$.



10. 16 bags (15.7 rounds up to 16)

Extension

Rectangle: 5.1×2 , etc Triangle: 5.1×4 , etc Circle: radius 1.8, etc ($1.78 < r \le 1.87$)



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