

# ★ USING A RULER TO MEASURE ★



I'M MR.  
RULER!  
LET'S  
MEASURE!

## WHAT IS A RULER?

A ruler is used to make straight lines, and to measure things. A ruler is usually 12 inches long. The inch is a standard measurement. A “standard measurement” is a measurement that is used by people to make sure things are measured using the same scale. A long time ago, people used to measure things based on the size of their fingers and feet. Twelve inches is still called “a foot”. Since all people don’t have the same size hands and feet, that style of measuring was pretty confusing. Using standard measurements helps people to understand each other.

Rulers are almost always made out of wood or plastic. You will need a ruler to do all of these measurement activities.



# MEASUREMENT ACTIVITY 1



**USE YOUR RULER TO MEASURE EACH OF THE FOLLOWING OBJECTS. WRITE YOUR ANSWER ON THE LINE.**

- A. How long is this pencil? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



- B. How long is this pair of scissors? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



- C. How long is this pair of tennis shoes? \_\_\_\_\_ inch

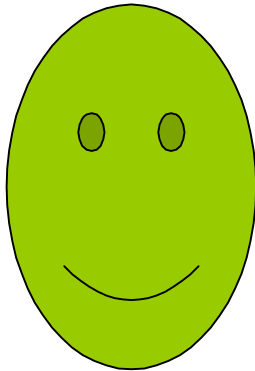




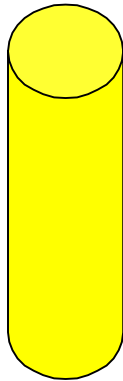
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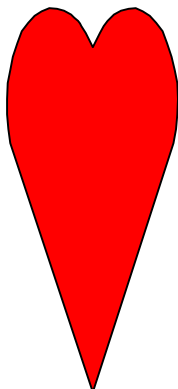
A. How tall is this smiling face? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



B. How tall is this cylinder? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



C. How tall is this heart? \_\_\_\_\_ inches

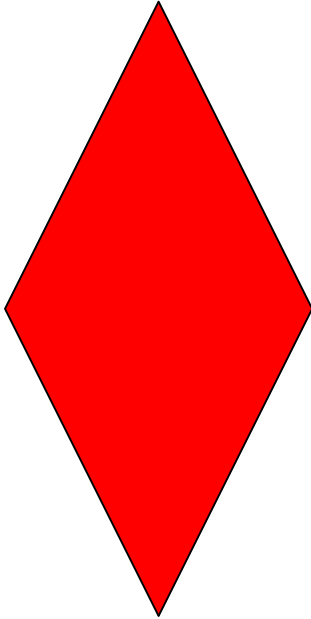




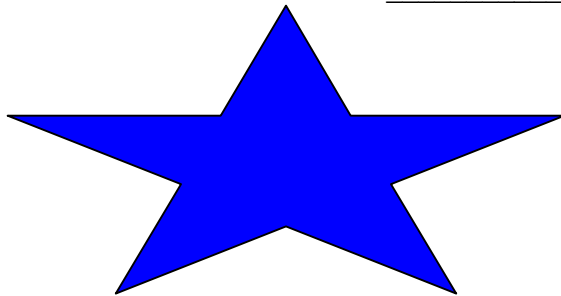
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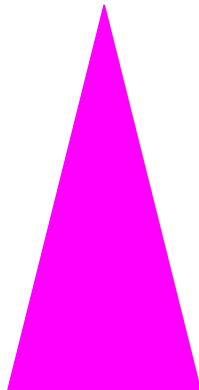
A. What is the height of this shape? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



B. What is the width of this star? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



C. How tall is this triangle? \_\_\_\_\_ inches





# MEASUREMENT 4



A. What is the length of this bar? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



B. What is the length of this bar? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



C. What is the length of this bar? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



D. What is the length of this bar? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



E. What is the length of this bar? \_\_\_\_\_ inches



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 **MEASUREMENT 5** 

A. Draw a line 3 inches long.

B. Draw a line 6 inches long.

C. Draw a line 4 inches long.

D. Draw a line 2 inches long.

 **HOMEWORK PAGE** 

**THIS PAGE IS A HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT. YOU WILL NEED  
A RULER TO MEASURE THESE THINGS IN YOUR HOME.**

- A. What is the length of your toothbrush? \_\_\_\_\_ inches
- B. What is the length of your foot? \_\_\_\_\_ inches
- C. What is the length of the telephone book? \_\_\_\_\_ inches
- D. What is the length of your hand? \_\_\_\_\_ inches
- E. What is the length of the remote control? \_\_\_\_\_ inches
- F. What is the length of a dinner fork? \_\_\_\_\_ inches
- G. What is the length of a bar of soap? \_\_\_\_\_ inches
- H. What is the length of a spoon? \_\_\_\_\_ inches

**MEASURE THESE ITEMS FOUND IN YOUR HOME. IT IS FUN TO  
MEASURE THINGS!**

 **ANSWER PAGE** 

PAGE 1: INFORMATION PAGE

PAGE 2: A. 4 inches  
B. 2 inches  
C. 1 inch

PAGE 3: A. 2 inches  
B. 2 inches  
C. 2 inches

PAGE 4: A. 3 inches  
B. 3 inches  
C. 2 inches

PAGE 5: A. 5 inches  
B. 3 inches  
C. 2 inches  
D. 6 inches  
E. 1 inch

PAGE 6: TEACHER WILL NEED TO CHECK

PAGE 7: ANSWERS WILL VARY