

## Metric System

### The metric unit for length is the meter.

- Length can be measured by a ruler or meterstick.



Ruler (inches)



Meterstick (centimeters)

### Mass

- The amount of matter in an object.
- The metric unit for mass is grams.
- Mass is usually measured by a scale.



### Temperature



- The metric unit for temperature is Celsius.
- The freezing and boiling points of water on this scale are  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $32^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) and  $100^{\circ}\text{C}$  ( $212^{\circ}\text{F}$ ).

- The formula for converting C to F is:
- $F = 9/5 C + 32$
- The formula for converting F to C is:
- $C = 5/9 F - 32$

### Volume



- The amount of space that a substance fills.
- The metric unit for volume is the liter or cubic centimeters.
- The volume of a solid can be found using the water displacement method or the equation length x width x height

## Density

- The ratio of the mass of a substance to its volume.
- Calculated using the following formula:
- $D = m/v$
- The metric unit for density is g/cm<sup>3</sup> or g/mL
- The density of pure water is 1 g/mL



## True or False

- Density is the ratio of the mass of a substance to its volume.
- The metric unit for length is the inch.
- Volume is the amount of space a substance fills.
- The metric unit for temperature is Fahrenheit.

## Conversions

- Prefixes in order from largest to smallest:

Kangaroos  
Hop  
Down  
Mountains  
Drinking  
Chocolate  
Milk.

| Prefix              | Number Equivalent of basic unit |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Kilo                | 1000                            |
| Hecto               | 100                             |
| Deka                | 10                              |
| (Meters) Basic Unit | 1                               |
| Deci                | 0.1                             |
| Centi               | 0.01                            |
| Milli               | 0.001                           |

## Moving the Decimal (Metric)

Ex. 2m -> \_\_\_ km

- **Step 1:** Write Saying

Kangaroos  
Hop  
Down  
Mountains  
Drinking  
Chocolate  
Milk

**Step 2:** Identify where you are (2m).

**Step 3:** Identify where you want to go (\_\_\_km)

**Step 4:** How do you get there? (Right or Left, How many spaces?)

Answer: 2 m -> \_\_\_km

## Conversions

- 1) 2000 mg = \_\_\_\_\_ g
- 2) 104 km = \_\_\_\_\_ m
- 3) 480 cm = \_\_\_\_\_ m

## Converting Standard Units

In the box method, we always make sure our units cancel, because of this ALWAYS WRITE YOUR UNITS!!!!!!!!!!!!

- Problem 3 ft -> \_\_\_?\_\_\_ in (1ft = 12 in) ?

Step 1: Draw Box

|  |  |
|--|--|
|  |  |
|  |  |

Step 2: Put starting measurements in top left

|      |  |
|------|--|
| 3 ft |  |
|      |  |

Step 3: Set up so units cancel

|      |           |
|------|-----------|
| 3 ft | 12 inches |
|      | 1 ft      |

## Scientific Notation

- When dealing with large or small numbers we use a trick to save time.
- **Scientific Notation:** A short hand method of writing numbers as multipliers and powers of 10.
- Ex. Large Number
  - 1,000,000.00 has six zeroes to the right of the decimal so it can be represented as  $1.0 \times 10^6$

## Scientific Notation Continued

- Ex. Small Number
- .00000056 is the same as  $5.6 \times 10^{-8}$
- You try
- 1,400,000,000 = \_\_\_\_\_  $\times 10$  \_\_\_\_\_
- .000037 = \_\_\_\_\_  $\times 10$  \_\_\_\_\_