

Vocabulary Cards and Word Walls

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Important Notes for Teachers:

- The vocabulary cards in this file match the Common Core, the math curriculum adopted by the Utah State Board of Education, August 2010.
- The cards are arranged alphabetically.
- Each card has three sections.
 - Section 1 is only the word. This is to be used as a visual aid in spelling and pronunciation. It is also used when students are writing their own “kid-friendly” definition and drawing their own graphic.
 - Section 2 has the word and a graphic. This graphic is available to be used as a model by the teacher.
 - Section 3 has the word, a graphic, and a definition. This is to be used for the Word Wall in the classroom. For more information on using a Word Wall for Daily Review – see “Vocabulary – Word Wall Ideas” on this website.
- These cards are designed to help all students with math content vocabulary, including ELL, Gifted and Talented, Special Education, and Regular Education students.

For possible additions or corrections to the vocabulary cards, please contact the Granite School District Math Department at 385-646-4239.

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mass

mass



mass



The amount of matter in an object. Usually measured by comparing with an object of known mass. While gravity influences weight, it does not affect mass.

meter (m)

meter (m)



A baseball bat is *about* 1 meter long.

meter (m)

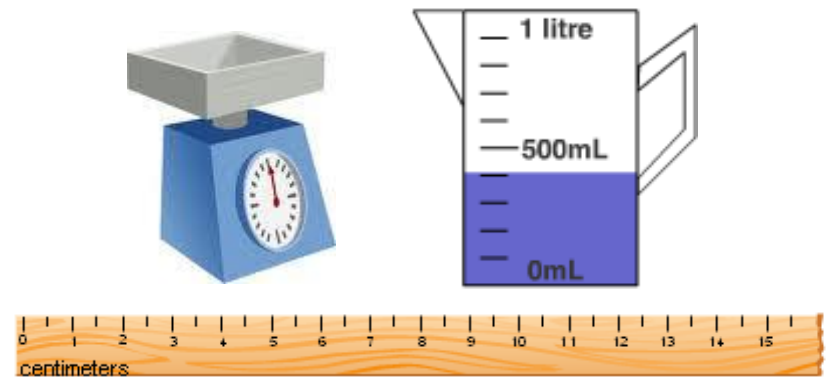


A standard unit of
length in the metric
system.

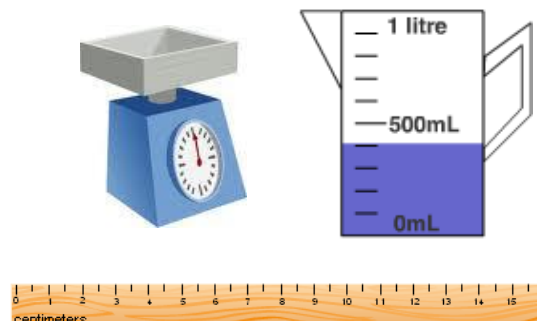
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metric system

metric
system



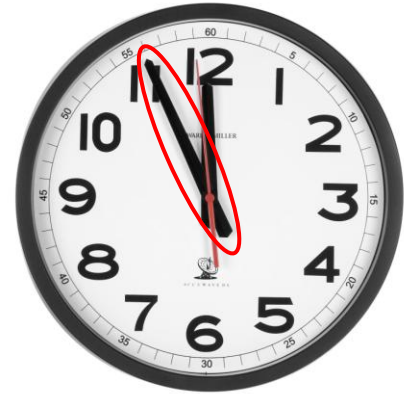
metric
system



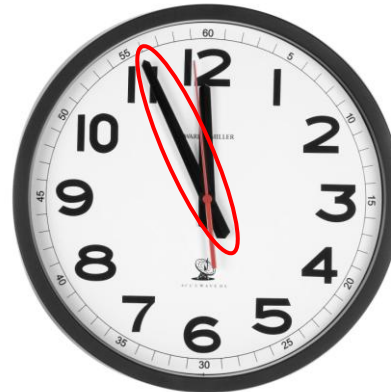
A system of measurement based on tens. The basic unit of capacity is the liter. The basic unit of length is the meter. The basic unit of mass is the gram.

minute (min)

minute (min)



minute (min)



One sixtieth of an
hour or 60 seconds.

multiple

multiple

**12 is a multiple of 3
(and of 4)
because $3 \times 4 = 12$**

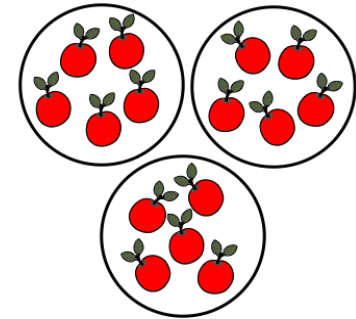
multiple

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because $3 \times 4 = 12$**

A product of a given whole number and any other whole number.

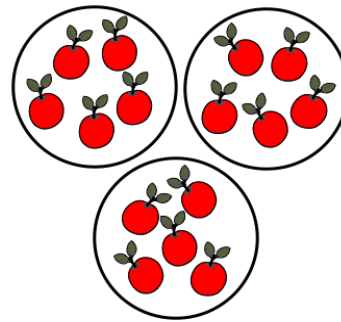
multiply

multiply



$$3 \times 5 = 5 + 5 + 5$$

multiply

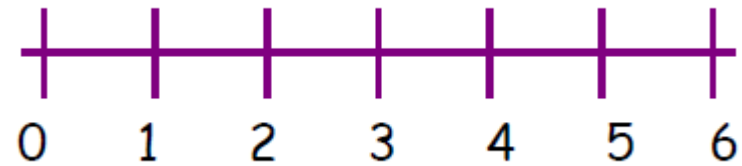


$$3 \times 5 = 5 + 5 + 5$$

The operation of
repeated addition of
the same number.

number line

number
line



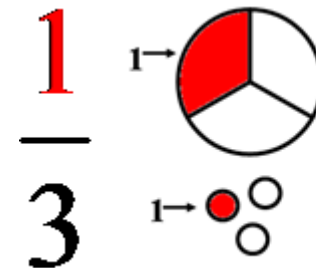
number
line



A diagram that
represents numbers
as points on a line.

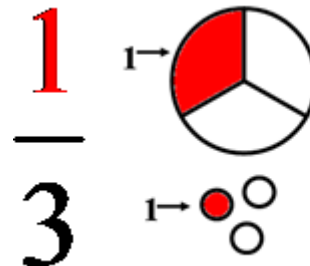
numerator

numerator



- Parts shaded
- Parts we are using

numerator




- Parts shaded
- Parts we are using

The number written above the line in a fraction. It tells how many equal parts are described in the fraction.

Order of Operations


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1. Do operations in parentheses.
 2. Multiply and divide in order from left to right.
 3. Add and subtract in order from left to right.

Order of Operations

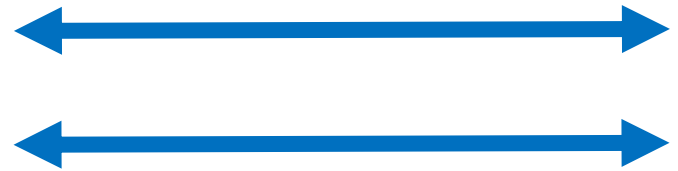
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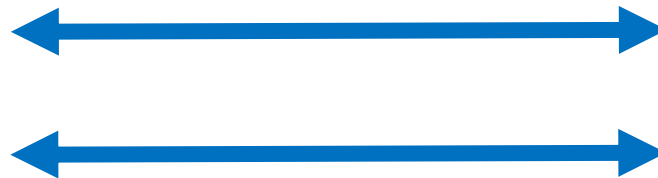
A set of rules that tells the order in which to compute.

parallel lines

**parallel
lines**



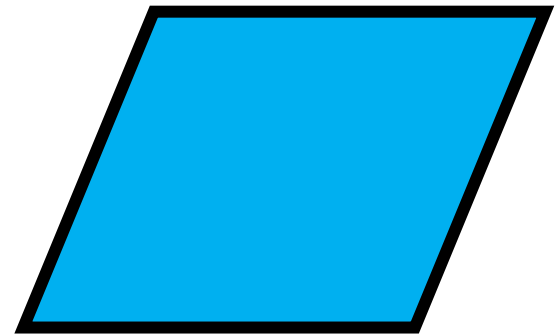
**parallel
lines**



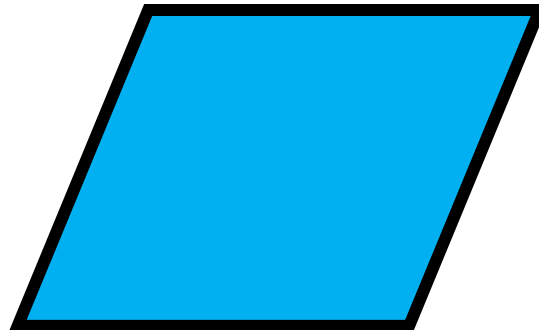
Lines that are
always the same
distance apart.

parallelogram

parallelogram



parallelogram



A quadrilateral
with two pairs of
parallel and
congruent sides.

parentheses

parentheses
()

$$\begin{aligned} &(2 + 3) \times 4 \\ &5 \times 4 \\ &20 \end{aligned}$$

parentheses
()

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Used in mathematics as grouping symbols for operations. When simplifying an expression, the operations within the parentheses are performed first.

pattern

pattern



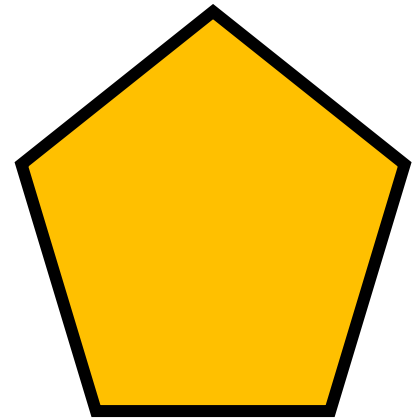
pattern



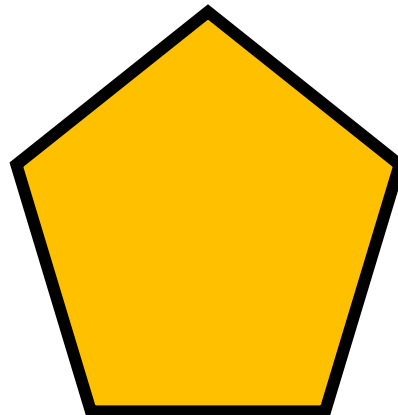
A repeating or growing sequence or design. An ordered set of numbers or shapes arranged according to a rule.

pentagon

pentagon



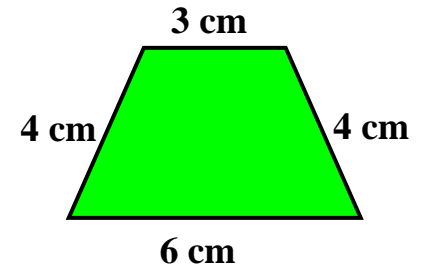
pentagon



A polygon that has
five sides.

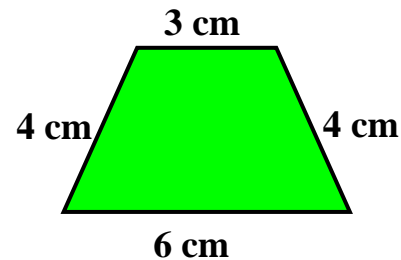
perimeter

perimeter



$$\begin{aligned}\text{Perimeter} &= 4\text{cm} + 6\text{cm} + 4\text{cm} + 3\text{cm} \\ &= 17\text{cm}\end{aligned}$$

perimeter

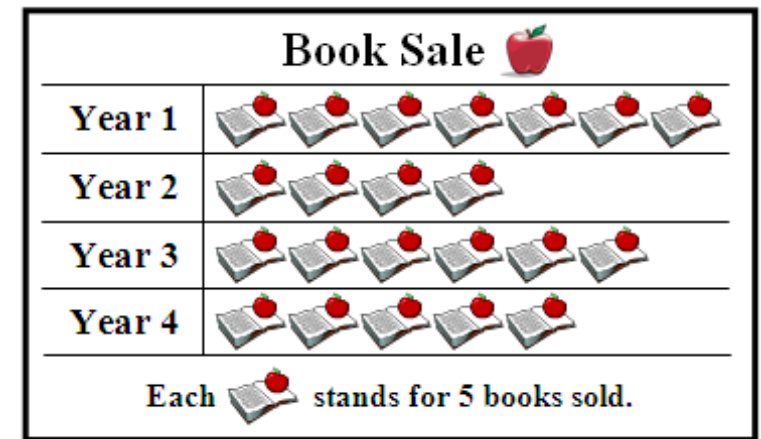


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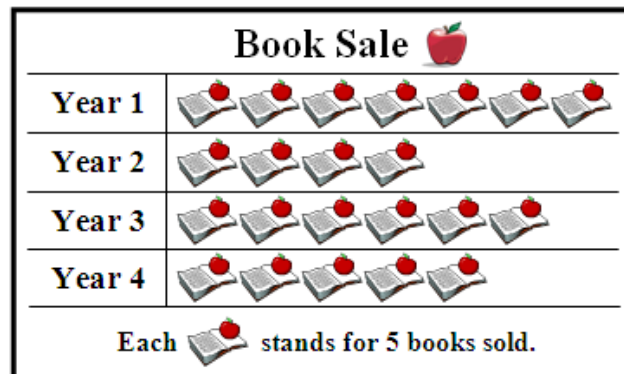
The distance around a figure.

picture graph

picture graph



picture graph



A graph that uses pictures or symbols to show data.

place value

place value

MILLIONS			THOUSANDS			ONES		
hundred millions	ten millions	millions	hundred thousands	ten thousands	thousands	hundreds	tens	ones
7	4	5	3	0	9	2	8	1

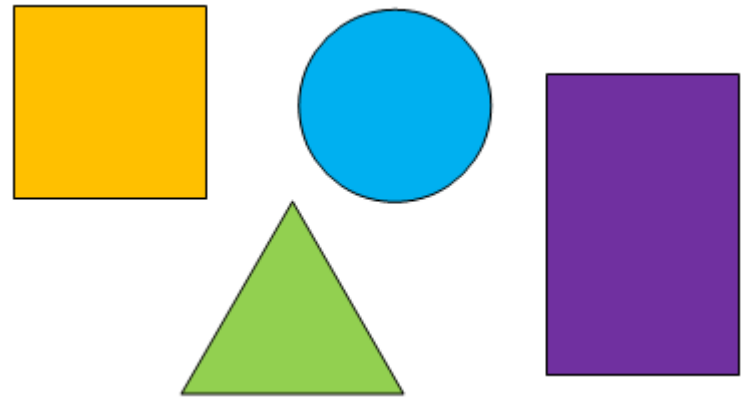
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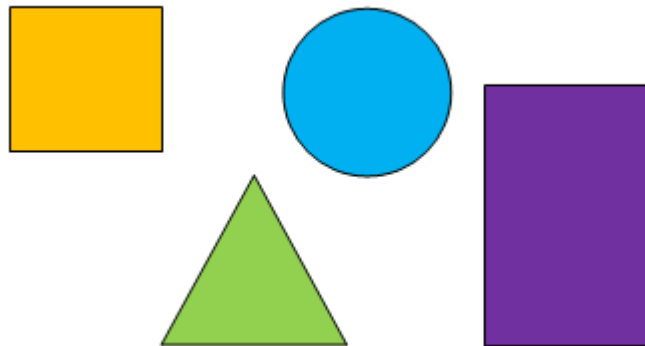
The value of the place of a digit in a number.

plane figure

plane figure



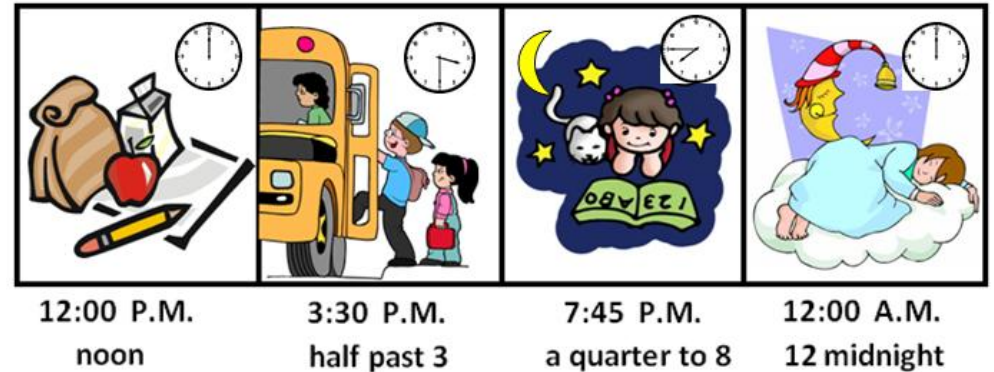
plane figure



A two-dimensional figure.

p.m.

p.m.



p.m.



The time between
12:00 noon and 12:00
midnight.

point

point



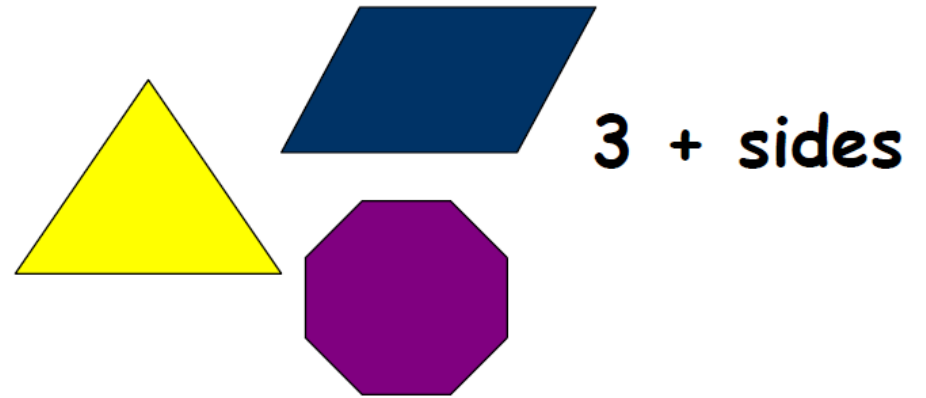
point



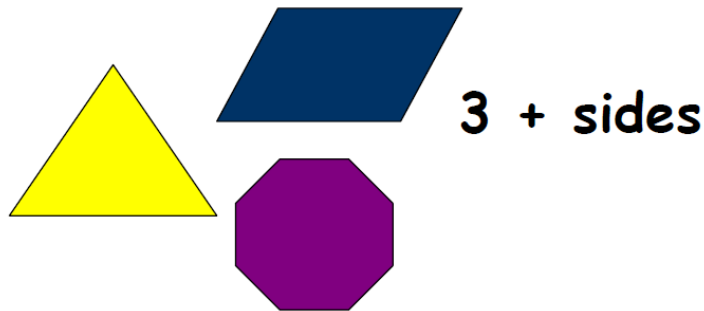
The exact location in space
represented by a dot.

polygon

polygon




polygon




A closed plane figure
made by line segments.

product

product

$$5 \times 3 = 15$$


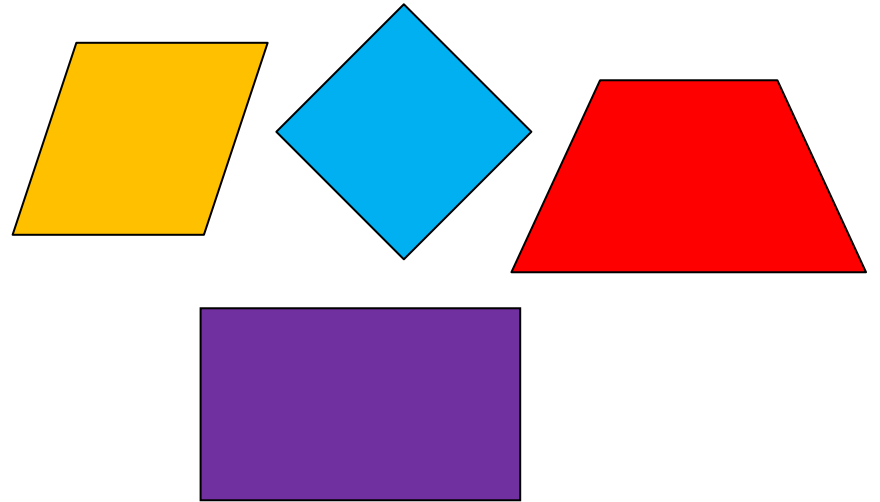
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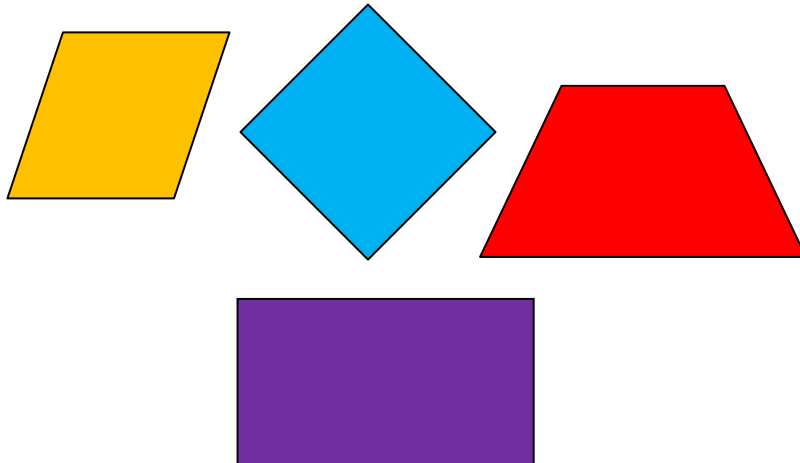
The answer to a
multiplication problem.

quadrilateral

quadrilateral



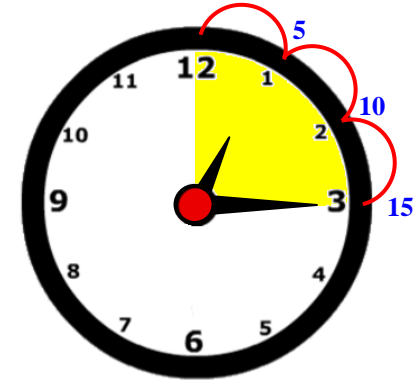
quadrilateral



A four sided
polygon.

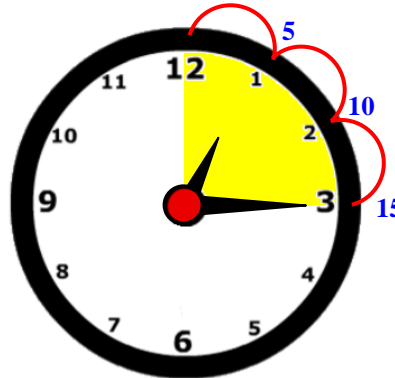
quarter hour

quarter hour



15 minutes = 1 quarter hour

quarter hour



15 minutes = 1 quarter hour

A unit of time
worth 15 minutes.

quotient

quotient

$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 7 \overline{) 56} \end{array}$$

quotient

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The answer to a
division problem.

reasonableness

reasonableness

What is the product of 5×8 ?

- A. 12 C. 40
B. 13 D. 58



I know that 5 times any number has a 0 or 5 digit in the ones place.

So, C is the only answer that makes sense.

reasonableness

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An answer that is based on good number sense.

rectangle

rectangle



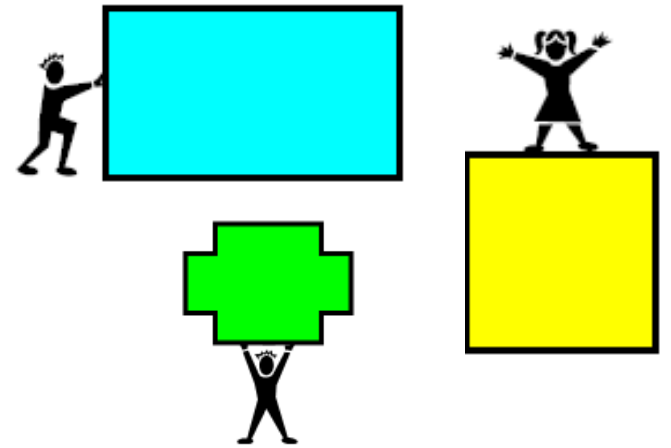
rectangle



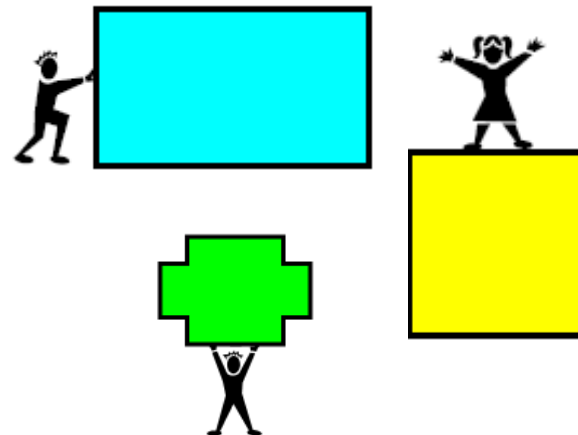
A quadrilateral
with two pairs of
congruent, parallel
sides and four
equal angles.

rectilinear figure

rectilinear
figure



rectilinear
figure



A polygon where
all angles are right
angles.

related facts

related facts

Related Facts for 3, 5, 8

$$3 + 5 = 8 \quad 8 - 5 = 3$$

$$5 + 3 = 8 \quad 8 - 3 = 5$$

related facts

Related Facts for 3, 5, 8

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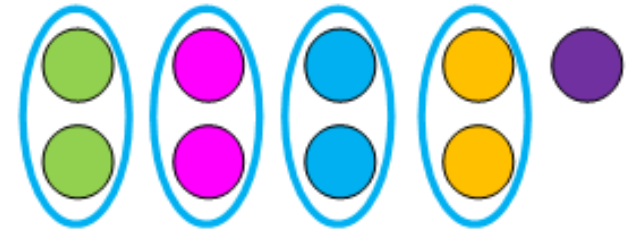
$$5 + 3 = 8 \quad 8 - 3 = 5$$

Related addition and subtraction facts or related multiplication and division facts.

Also called
fact family.

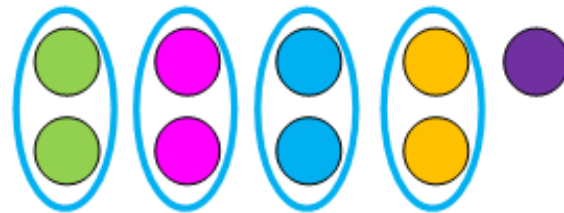
remainder

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$$9 \div 4 = 2 \text{ R } 1$$

remainder

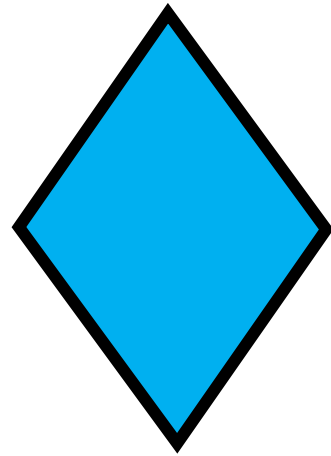


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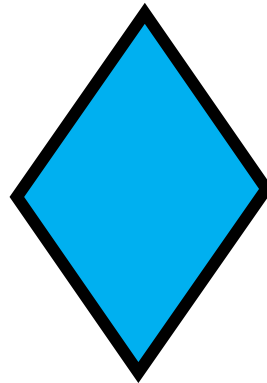
In whole number division, when you have divided as far as you can without using decimals, what has not been divided yet is called the remainder.

rhombus

rhombus



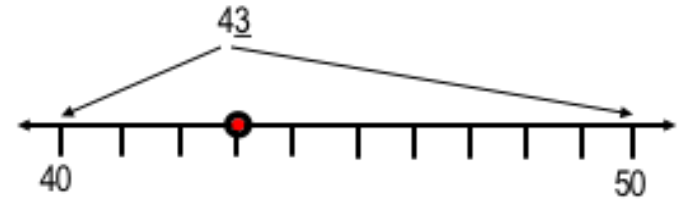
rhombus



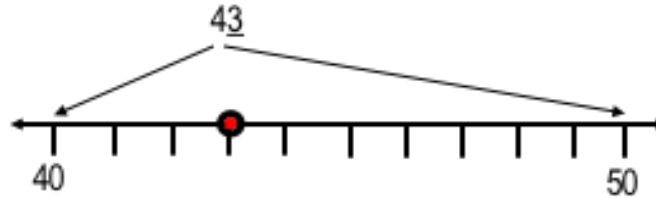
A quadrilateral with all
four sides equal in
length.

round a whole number

**round a
whole number**



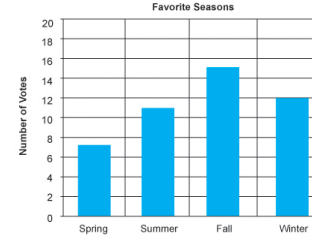
**round a whole
number**



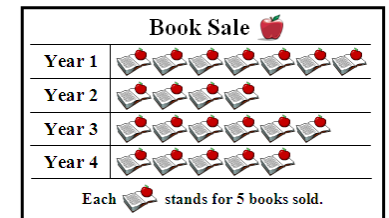
To find the nearest
ten, hundred,
thousand, (and so on).

scale (on a graph)

scale
(on a graph)

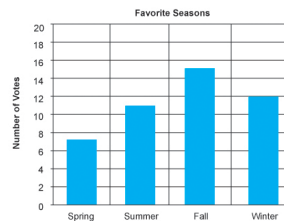


Each square
represents 2 votes.

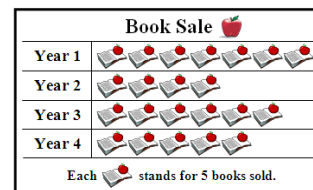


Each picture
represents
5 books.

scale
(on a graph)



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represents 2 votes.



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5 books.

The numbers that show
the units used on a
graph.

sequence

sequence

2, 5, 8, 11, 14, 17...

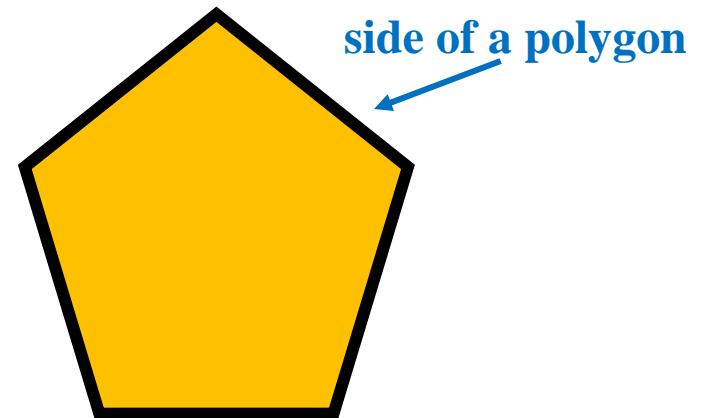
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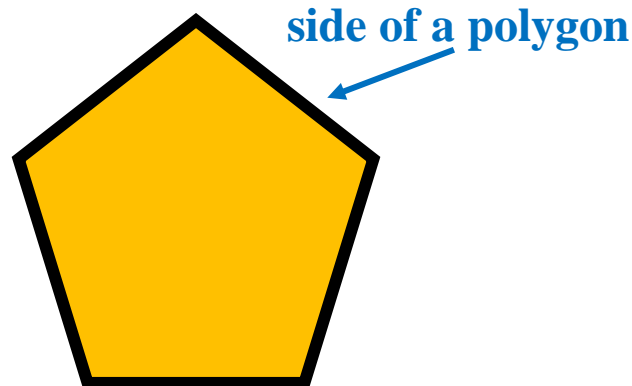
A set of numbers
arranged in a special
order or pattern.

side of a polygon

side of a
polygon



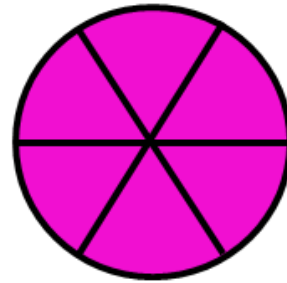
side of a
polygon



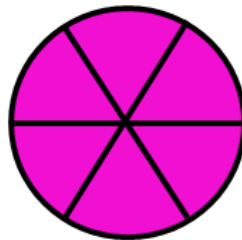
Any of the line
segments that form a
polygon.

sixths

sixths



sixths



The parts you get when
you divide something
into six equal parts.

square

square



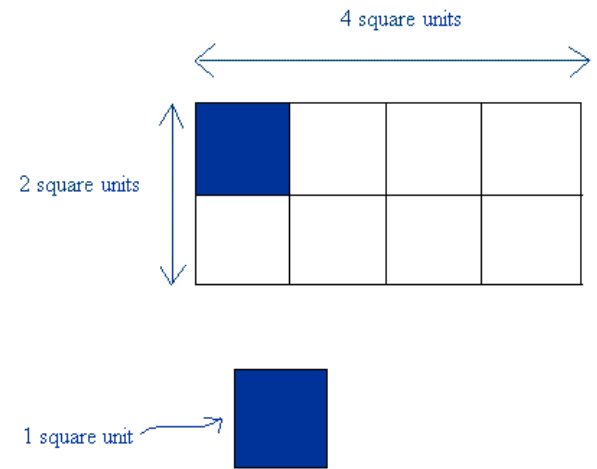
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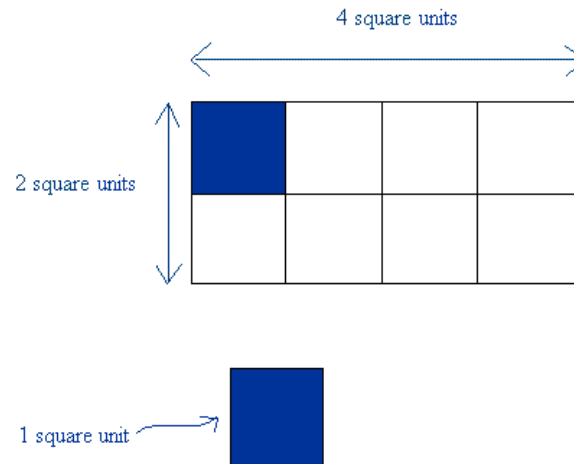
A parallelogram with
four equal angles AND
four equal sides.

square unit

square
unit



square
unit



A unit, such as
square centimeter or
square inch, used to
measure area.

standard form

standard
form

12,345

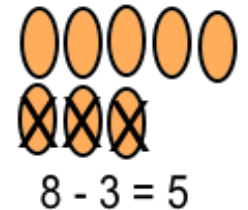
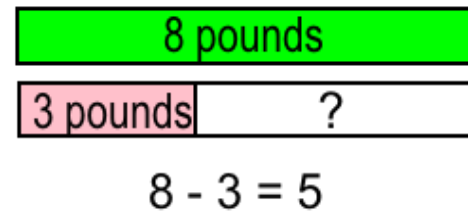
standard
form

12,345

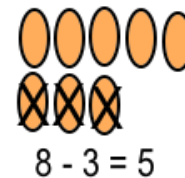
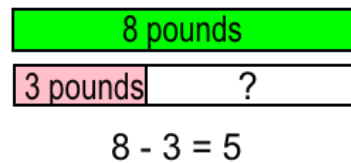
The common or usual
way of writing a
number using digits.
Also called *base-ten
numeral form*.

subtract

subtract



subtract



An operation that gives the difference between two numbers. Subtraction can be used to compare two numbers, or to find out how much is left after some is taken away.

sum

sum

$$453 + 929 = 1,382$$

sum

sum

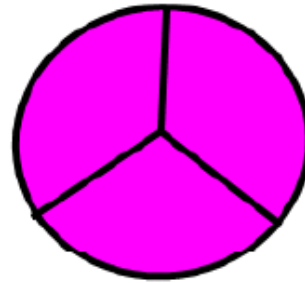
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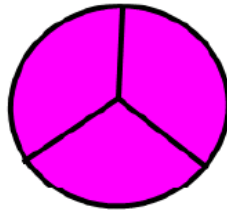
The answer to an
addition problem.

thirds

thirds



thirds



The parts you get when you
divide something into
3 equal parts.

tiling

tiling



tiling



A pattern of shapes
repeated to fill a plane.
The shapes do not
overlap and there are no
gaps.

time interval

**time
interval**



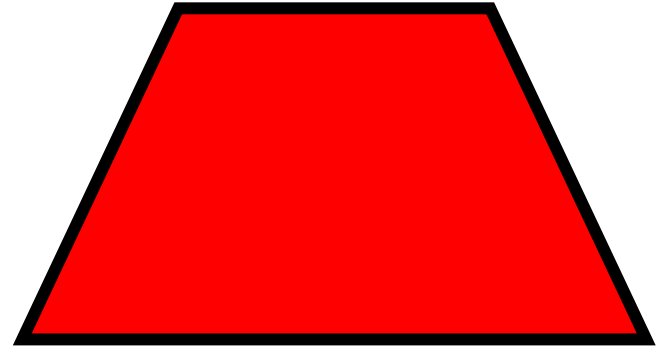
**time
interval**



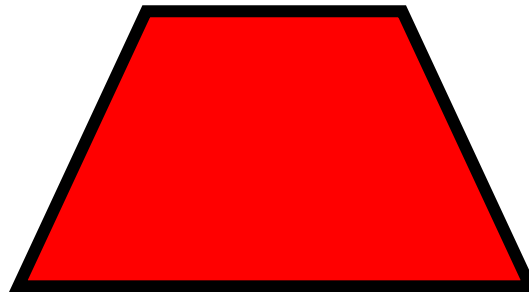
A duration of a
segment of time.
(elapsed time)

trapezoid

trapezoid



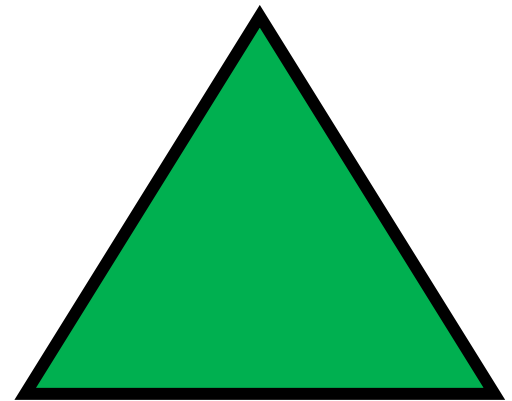
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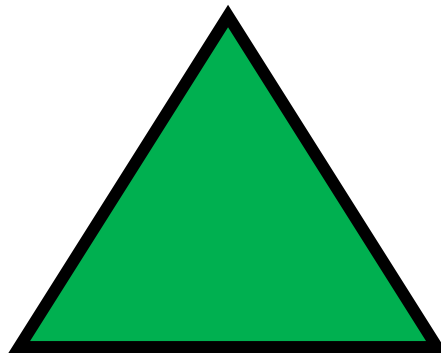
A quadrilateral with
one pair of parallel
sides and one pair of
sides that are not
parallel.

triangle

triangle



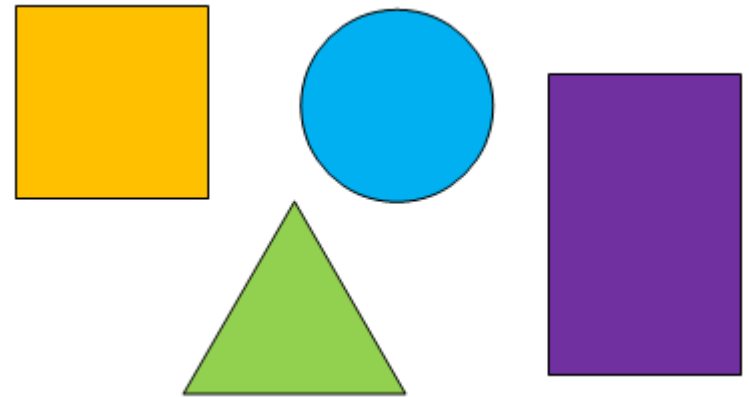
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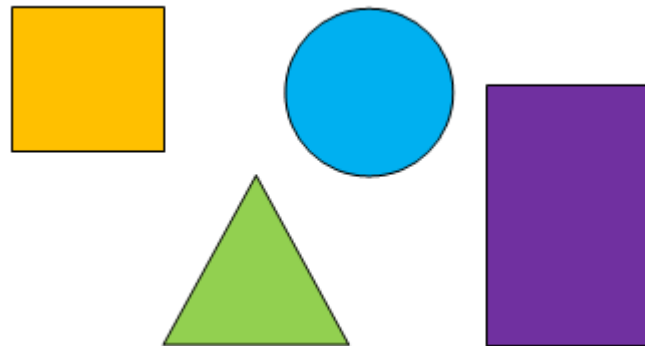
A polygon with
three sides and three
angles.

two-dimensional

two-dimensional



two-dimensional



Having length and width. Having area, but not volume. Also called a plane figure.

unit fraction

unit fraction

$$\frac{1}{2}$$

unit
fraction

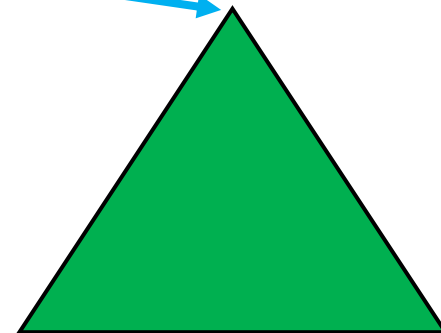
$$\frac{1}{2}$$

A fraction that has
1 as its numerator.

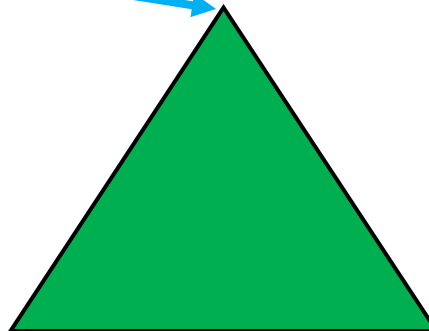
vertex

vertex

vertex of a polygon



vertex of a polygon



vertex

A point at which two or more sides of a geometric figure meet.

Vertices is plural of vertex.

volume

volume



liquid volume

volume



liquid volume

The number of cubic units
it takes to fill a figure.

whole numbers

whole
numbers



whole
numbers



Whole numbers are zero and the counting numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and so on. If a number has a negative sign, a decimal point, or a part that's a fraction, it is not a whole number.

word form

word form

The word form of
12,345 is
twelve thousand,
three hundred forty-five.

word form

The word form of
12,345 is
twelve thousand,
three hundred forty-five.

A way of using
words to write a
number. Also
called *number
names*.

yard (yd)

yard (yd)



A door is about 1 yard wide.

yard (yd)



A door is about 1 yard wide.

A customary unit of
length.

1 yard = 3 feet
or 36 inches.

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