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Understands that volume is a measure of how much space an object fills.



"The rectangular prism has a base that is a rectangle. It is made of 24 cubes, so its volume is 24 cubic units.

Uses benchmarks to estimate volume using metric units.



"I would use a large dog crate as a benchmark for 1 m² to measure the volume of storage room."

Use a formula to calculate the volume of a rectangular prism.



"I determined the area of the base: $9 \text{ m} \times 8 \text{ m} = 72 \text{ m}^2$. Then I multiplied the area of the base by the height: $72 \text{ m}^2 \times 2 \text{ m} = 144 \text{ m}^3$. The volume of the box is 144 m^3 ."

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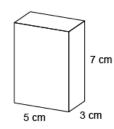
Determining the Volume of Right Rectangular Prisms (cont'd)

Constructs different rectangular prisms for a given volume.

Make as many different rectangular prisms as you can with a volume of 30 cm³.

"I made 5 different prisms. The dimensions are: 1 cm by 1 cm by 30 cm; 1 cm by 2 cm by 15 cm; 1 cm by 3 cm by 10 cm; 1 cm by 5 cm by 6 cm; 2 cm by 3 cm by 5 cm."

Sketches rectangular prisms and calculates volume using formula $V = \text{base area} \times \text{height}$.



"The base area is: $3 \text{ cm} \times 5 \text{ cm} = 15 \text{ cm}^2$.

The height is 7 cm.

Volume = $15 \text{ cm}^2 \times 7 \text{ cm} = 105 \text{ cm}^3$."

Flexibly solves problems in various contexts that involve the volume of rectangular prisms.

A box has volume 4500 cm³. The box has length 30 cm and width 15 cm. What is the height of the box?

"The area of the base of the box is $30 \text{ cm} \times 15 \text{ cm} = 450 \text{ cm}^2$. $V = \text{base area} \times h$ $4500 \text{ cm}^3 = 450 \text{ cm}^2 \times h$ h = 10 cm The box has height 10 cm."

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