Module 12 Attributes and Tools
Lesson 1 Measurement Systems

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Lesson Objectives

- Identify and select appropriate units and tools from both systems, customary and metric, to measure (e.g. distance with feet/meters).
- Establish through experience benchmark prefixes of milli-, centi, deci-, deca-, hecto-, and kilo-.
- Distinguish the difference between weight and mass.
- Understand, select, and use the appropriate units and tools (metric and customary) to measure length, weight, mass, and volume to the required degree of accuracy for real-world problems.

Subtopic 1

The Customary System

Customary Units of Length

- Inches (in.)
- Feet (ft)
- Yards (yd)
- Miles (mi)

Weight is the heaviness of an object or person.

Weight is the **gravitational** force required to support an object against the pull of gravity.

Customary Units of Weight

- Ounces (oz)
- Pounds (<u>lb</u>)
- Tons (T)

<u>Capacity</u> is the volume of a container given in units of liquid measure.

Volume is the measure of the <u>interior</u> space of a three-dimensional figure.

Customary Units of Capacity

- Fluid ounces (fl oz)
- Cups (c)
- Pints (pt)
- Quarts (qt)
- Gallons (gal)



Choose the most reasonable customary unit of length to measure each item.

Length of laptop Inches or feet

Distance between cities Miles

Height of a ceiling Feet or yards



Choose the most reasonable customary unit of capacity to measure the capacity of each item.

Coffee mug Fluid ounces or cups

Perfume bottle Fluid ounces

Swimming pool Gallons



Choose the most reasonable customary unit of weight to measure each item.

A remote control **Ounces**

An elephant Tons

Box of books **Pounds**

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Subtopic 2 The Metric System

Metric Units of Length

Kilometer (1,000 meters)

Hectometer (100 meters)

Dekameter (10 meters)

Meter

Decimeter (0.1 meters)

Centimeter (0.01 meters)

Millimeter (0.001 meters)

Mass

- Measures the amount of matter in an object
- Constant at any place or time
- Independent of any external force

Weight

- The force required to support an object against the pull of gravity
- Is measured using a scale

Milligram (mg)(0.001 g)

Metric Units of Mass	Metric Units of Capacity
Kilogram (kg) (1,000 g)	Kiloliter (kL) (1,000L)
Hectogram (hg) (100 g)	Hectolier (hL) (100L)
Dekagram (dag) (10 g)	Dekaliter (daL) (10L)
Gram (g)	<u>Liter</u> (L)
Decigram (dg) (0.1 g)	Deciliter (dL) (0.1L)
Centigram(cg) (0.01 g)	Centiliter (cL) (0.01L)

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Milliliter (mL) (0.001L)



- A kiloliter contains how many liters? 1,000 liters
- A milligram is what fraction of a gram? $\frac{1}{1,000}$ gram
- A centimeter is what fraction of a meter? $\frac{1}{100}$ meter



Choose the metric unit that is most reasonable for measuring each item.

- Height of a building m km or m?
- Mass of a slice of cheese g or kg?
- Capacity of a juice glass mL or L?



Choose the metric unit that is most reasonable for measuring each item.

- Mass of motorcycle **kg** g or kg?
- Length of grain of rice mm m or mm?
- Capacity of aquarium L mL or L?