Module 12 Attributes and Tools
Lesson 4 Measurement: Distance

Lesson Notes 12.4

Lesson Objectives

- Solve real-world problems involving distance.
- Draw and measure distance to the nearest cm and $\frac{1}{4}$ inch, the nearest mm and $\frac{1}{8}$ inch, and the nearest mm and $\frac{1}{16}$ inch accurately.

Subtopic 1

Draw and Measure Customary Distance/Length



Find the diameter of a nickel to the nearest quarter inch and to the nearest sixteenth inch.



Nearest quarter inch: $\frac{3}{4}$ in.

Nearest sixteenth inch: $\frac{13}{16}$ in.



Draw a line segment that is $4 \frac{5}{16}$ inches long.



Charlotte measured an $8\frac{7}{16}$ inch feather. Find its length to the nearest eighth inch.

$$8\frac{6}{16}$$
 in. $8\frac{7}{16}$ in. $8\frac{8}{16}$ in. $8\frac{3}{8}$ in. $8\frac{7}{16}$ in. $8\frac{4}{8}$ in.

$$8\frac{4}{8}$$
 in.



Find the length of the battery to the nearest millimeter and centimeter.



Nearest mm: 4.7 cm or 47 mm Nearest cm: 5 cm



Draw a segment 5.8 centimeters long.

Subtopic 3 Problem Solving with Customary Distances



To make a post for a birdhouse, Ivan joined two pieces of wood – one four feet 10 inches long and another three feet seven inches long. How high is the post?

The post is 8 ft 5 in. high.

Subtopic 4 Problem Solving with Metric Distances



Samantha ran 800 meters five times. Jennifer ran three kilometers. Who ran farther?

$$5 \times 800 \text{ m} = 4,000 \text{ m} = 4 \text{ km}$$

 $4 \text{ km} > 3 \text{ km}$

Samantha ran farther.