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Module 13 Perimeter, Area, and Volume
 Lesson 6 Surface Area: Pyramids and Cones

Lesson Objectives

- Derive and use formulas for surface area of pyramids and cones.
- Use square units to find the surface area of pyramids and cones.

Subtopic 1 Surface Area of Pyramid

The **slant height** of a regular pyramid is the height of a lateral face.

Surface Area of a Pyramid

$$L = \frac{1}{2}Pl$$

$$SA = B + \frac{1}{2}Pl$$

- 1** Find the total amount of material needed to construct the tent.

$$SA = B + \frac{1}{2}Pl$$

$$SA = (8 \text{ ft} \times 8 \text{ ft}) + \frac{1}{2}Pl$$

$$SA = 64 \text{ ft}^2 + \frac{1}{2}Pl$$

$$SA = 64 \text{ ft}^2 + \frac{1}{2}(32 \text{ ft}) \times 10 \text{ ft}$$

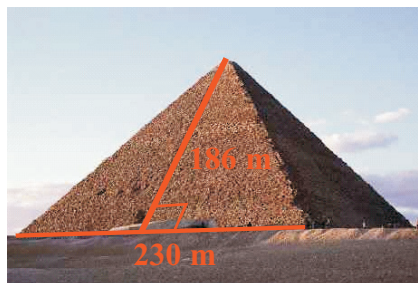
$$SA = 64 \text{ ft}^2 + 160 \text{ ft}^2$$

$$SA = 224 \text{ ft}^2$$



The tent needs 224 ft^2 of material.

- 2** Find the approximate lateral area of the Great Pyramid at Giza, Egypt. It is a square pyramid with an approximate base length of 230 meters and a slant height of 186 meters.



$$L = \frac{1}{2} Pl$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} (4 \times 230 \text{ m})l$$

$$L = \frac{1}{2} (920 \text{ m}) \times 186 \text{ m}$$

$$L \approx 85,560 \text{ m}^2$$

The lateral area is about $85,560 \text{ m}^2$.

Subtopic 2 Surface Area of Cone

The slant height of a cone is the distance from the vertex to the edge of the base.

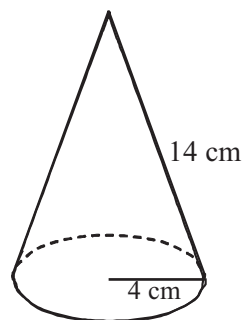
Surface Area of a Cone

$$SA = \underline{\pi r^2 + \pi rl}$$

- 3** Find the surface area of the cone.

$$\begin{aligned} SA &= \pi r^2 + \pi rl \\ &= 3.14 \times (4 \text{ cm})^2 + 3.14 \times 4 \text{ cm} \times 14 \text{ cm} \\ &= 50.24 \text{ cm}^2 + 175.84 \text{ cm}^2 \\ &\approx 226.08 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

The surface area is about 226.08 cm^2 .

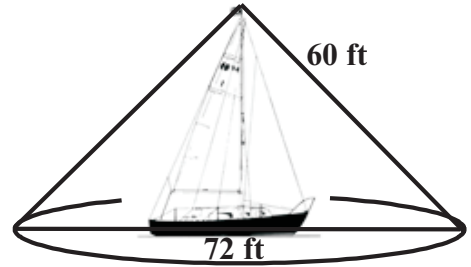


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The antenna on a sailboat provides a “cone of protection” from lightning around the boat. This cone of protection has a diameter of 72 feet and a slant height of 60 feet. Find the surface area of the cone of protection. Round the answer to the nearest foot.



$$\begin{aligned} SA &= \pi r^2 + \pi rl \\ &= 3.14 \times (36 \text{ ft})^2 + 3.14 \times 36 \text{ ft} \times 60 \text{ ft} \\ &= 4,069.44 \text{ ft}^2 + 6,782.4 \text{ ft}^2 \\ &\approx 10,851.84 \text{ ft}^2 \end{aligned}$$

The surface area is about 10,852 ft².

