

Circle Power Lab

Use radius, diameter, circumference, and area with pi.

GRADE 7 • 7.G.B.4

CCSS.Math.Content.7.G.B.4 "Know the formulas for the area and circumference of a circle and use them to solve problems; give an informal derivation of the relationship between the circumference and area of a circle."

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CIRCLE FORMULAS

Use $C = 2 \times \pi \times r$, or $C = \pi \times d$, to find circumference. Use $A = \pi \times r \times r$ to find area. Imagine cutting a circle into many equal wedges and alternating them to make a shape like a rectangle. Its base is half the circumference and its height is r , so $A = (C/2) \times r = \pi \times r \times r$.

WORKED EXAMPLE

A circle has a radius of 9 cm. Find its circumference and area in terms of pi.

1. $C = 2 \times \pi \times 9$

2. $C = 18\pi \text{ cm}$

3. $A = \pi \times 9 \times 9 = 81\pi \text{ cm}^2$

Answer: Circumference: $18\pi \text{ cm}$; Area: $81\pi \text{ cm}^2$

PRACTICE 6 problems

- 1** A circle has a radius of 4 cm. Find its circumference in terms of pi.

ANSWER _____

- 2** A circle has a diameter of 10 m. Find its area in terms of pi.

ANSWER _____

- 3** A circle has a circumference of 14π inches. Find its radius.

ANSWER _____

- 4** A circle has an area of 49π square feet. Find its diameter.

ANSWER _____

- 5** A circle has a radius of 3 yards. Find its circumference and area in terms of pi.

ANSWER _____

- 6** A circle has a diameter of 8 cm. Find its circumference and area in terms of pi.

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** The art club is making a circular badge for its game-design team. The badge has a diameter of 16 cm. What area of the badge will be covered by the design? Give your answer in terms of π .

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** A student wants to put an LED strip around the outside edge of a circular gaming desk mat with a radius of 15 inches. How much LED strip is needed? Give your answer in terms of π .

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

Circle A has a circumference of 22π cm. Circle B has twice the radius of Circle A. Find the area of each circle in terms of π . Then explain why Circle B's area is four times Circle A's area.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	A circle has a radius of 4 cm. Find its circumference in terms of pi.	8pi cm
2	A circle has a diameter of 10 m. Find its area in terms of pi.	25pi m²
3	A circle has a circumference of 14pi inches. Find its radius.	7 inches
4	A circle has an area of 49pi square feet. Find its diameter.	14 feet
5	A circle has a radius of 3 yards. Find its circumference and area in terms of pi.	Circumference: 6pi yards; Area: 9pi yd²
6	A circle has a diameter of 8 cm. Find its circumference and area in terms of pi.	Circumference: 8pi cm; Area: 16pi cm²

PART 2 • APPLY IT

- 64pi cm²** The radius is 8 cm because the diameter is 16 cm. Use $A = \pi \times 8 \times 8$ to get 64pi cm².
- 30pi inches** The LED strip covers the circumference. Use $C = 2 \times \pi \times 15$ to get 30pi inches.

CHALLENGE

Circle A: 121pi cm². Circle B: 484pi cm². Circle A has radius 11 cm, so Circle B has radius 22 cm. Doubling the radius multiplies $r \times r$ by 2 x 2, so the area is four times as large.

Accept equivalent expressions such as $\pi(8)$ for 8pi. Require correct square units for area and linear units for circumference or radius.