

Composite Area Lab

Break apart, add, and subtract areas.

GRADE 7 • TEKS 7.9.C

7.9.C "determine the area of composite figures containing combinations of rectangles, squares, parallelograms, trapezoids, triangles, semicircles, and quarter circles; and"

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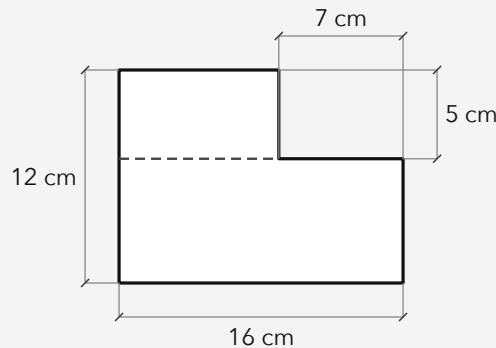
You will need: Pencil; Ruler

BUILD THE TOTAL AREA

Split a composite figure into shapes whose areas you know, then add the parts. You can also find a large rectangle or square and subtract any missing pieces. Draw partition lines on the figures when finding area. Show your area calculation. For perimeter, trace only the outside boundary. Use the bold outline for the shape; thin outside lines mark lengths.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Find the area of the L-shaped figure.

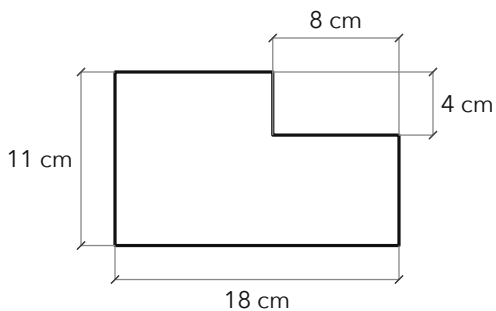


1. Treat the figure as a 16 cm by 12 cm rectangle with a 7 cm by 5 cm rectangle missing.
2. $16 \times 12 = 192 \text{ cm}^2$.
3. $7 \times 5 = 35 \text{ cm}^2$, so $192 - 35 = 157 \text{ cm}^2$.

Answer: 157 cm²

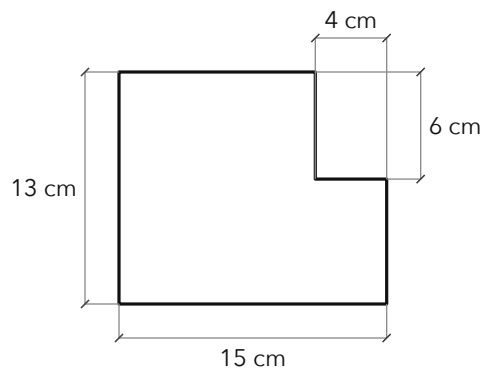
PRACTICE 6 problems

- 1** Find the area of the L-shaped figure.



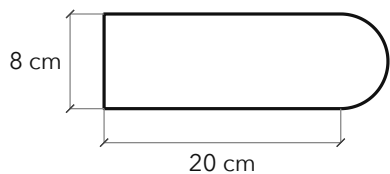
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- 2** Find the area of the L-shaped figure.



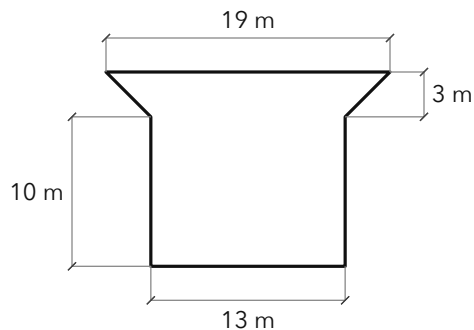
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- 3** Find the area of the rectangle with an attached semicircle. Leave your answer in terms of π .



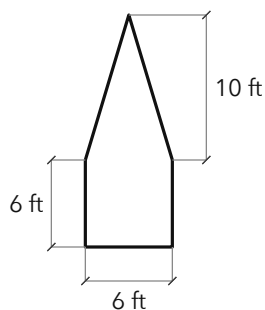
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- 4** Find the total area of the rectangle and trapezoid.



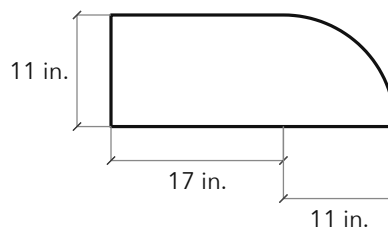
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- 5** Find the area of the square with an attached triangle.



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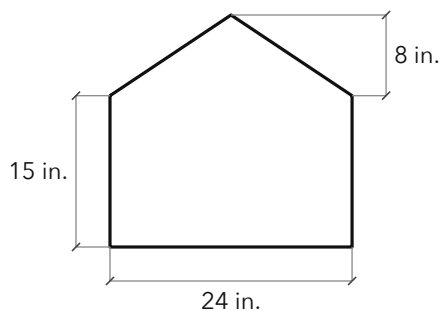
- 6** A quarter circle is attached to the rectangle. Find the total area in terms of n .



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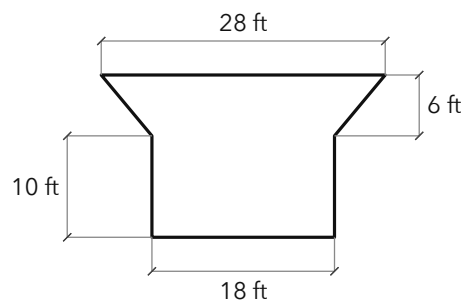
APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A gaming club makes the banner shown from a rectangle and triangular end. Find the total area. Show your calculation.



CALCULATION AND ANSWER

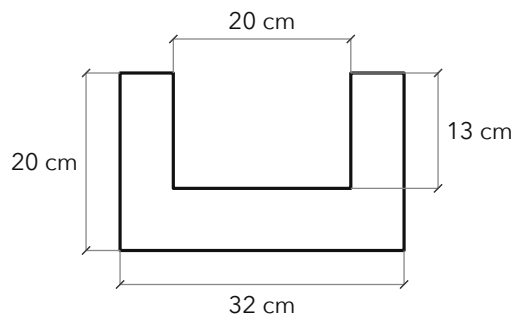
- 2** The skate park shown combines a rectangular surface with a trapezoid. Find its total area. Show your calculation.



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CHALLENGE One step up

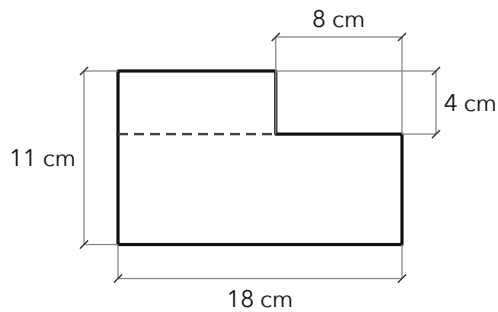
The U-shaped patio shown has the labeled dimensions. Find its area and explain how you found it.



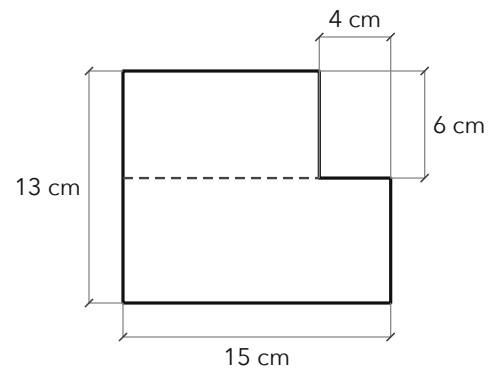
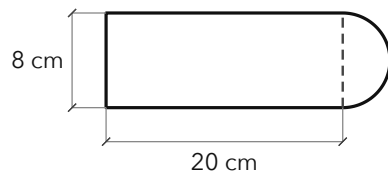
WORK SPACE AND ANSWER

PRACTICE 1

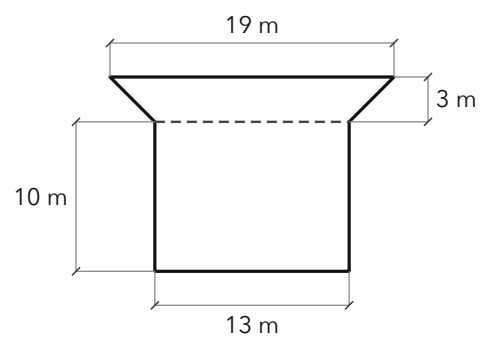
Find the area of the L-shaped figure.

166 cm²**PRACTICE 2**

Find the area of the L-shaped figure.

171 cm²**PRACTICE 3**Find the area of the rectangle with an attached semicircle. Leave your answer in terms of π .**160 + 8 π cm²****PRACTICE 4**

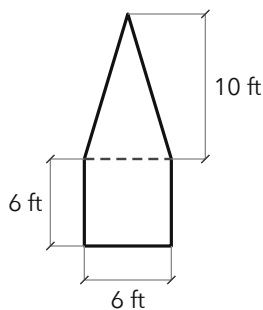
Find the total area of the rectangle and trapezoid.

178 m²

PRACTICE 5

Find the area of the square with an attached triangle.

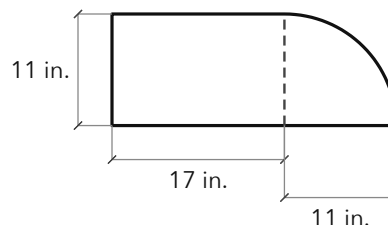
66 ft²



PRACTICE 6

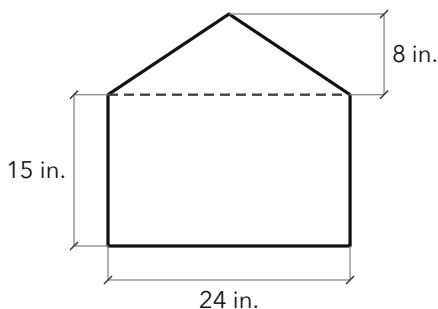
A quarter circle is attached to the rectangle. Find the total area in terms of π .

187 + 121 π /4 in²



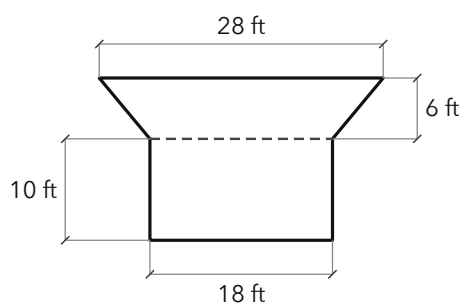
APPLY IT 1

456 in² Find the rectangle area, $24 \times 15 = 360$. Add the triangle area, $1/2 \times 24 \times 8 = 96$, for a total of 456 in².



APPLY IT 2

318 ft² The rectangle area is $18 \times 10 = 180$ ft². The trapezoid area is $1/2 \times (18 + 28) \times 6 = 138$ ft², so the total is 318 ft².



CHALLENGE

380 cm², because $32 \times 20 - 20 \times 13 = 380$.

Accept equivalent area calculations. For items that say to leave the answer in terms of π , accept algebraically equivalent exact forms only. Dashed lines in the teacher diagrams show one valid partition. Accept other valid non-overlapping partitions with correct calculations. Outside measurement lines show horizontal or vertical distances; they are not extra sides of the shape.

