

Surface Switch

Track what changes when one dimension grows.

GRADE 7 • 7.MG.1.e

7.MG.1.e "Describe how the surface area of a rectangular prism is affected when one measured attribute is multiplied by a factor of 12 or 2, including those in contextual situations."

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CHANGE ONE DIMENSION

Surface area of a rectangular prism is $SA = 2(lw + lh + wh)$. When one dimension is multiplied, recalculate the surface area because only the face pairs that use that dimension change.

WORKED EXAMPLE

A prism is 3 cm by 4 cm by 5 cm.
Double its height. Find the original and new surface areas.

1. Original $SA = 2(3 \times 4 + 3 \times 5 + 4 \times 5)$
2. Original $SA = 2(12 + 15 + 20) = 94 \text{ cm}^2$
3. New height = 10 cm
4. New $SA = 2(3 \times 4 + 3 \times 10 + 4 \times 10) = 164 \text{ cm}^2$

Answer: Original: 94 cm^2 . New: 164 cm^2 , an increase of 70 cm^2 .

PRACTICE 5 problems

- 1** A prism is 1 cm by 6 cm by 10 cm. Double the 1 cm dimension. Find the original and new surface areas.

ANSWER _____

- 2** A prism is 2 cm by 7 cm by 11 cm. Multiply the 2 cm dimension by 12. Find the new surface area.

ANSWER _____

- 3** A prism is 8 cm by 12 cm by 13 cm. Double the 12 cm dimension. How much does the surface area increase?

ANSWER _____

- 4** A prism is 9 cm by 14 cm by 16 cm. Multiply the 9 cm dimension by 12. Find the new surface area.

ANSWER _____

- 5** A prism is 15 cm by 17 cm by 18 cm. Double the 18 cm dimension. Find the original and new surface areas.

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A gaming display box is 11 cm long, 12 cm wide, and 14 cm high. A larger box has double the length. What is the surface area of the larger box, and how much greater is it than the original?

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ANSWER _____

- 2** A photo-card storage box is 1 cm high, 16 cm wide, and 20 cm long. A stacked version has 12 times the height. What is the surface area of the stacked box, and how much greater is it than the original?

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ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

CHALLENGE

A prism is 6 cm by 10 cm by x cm. Doubling x increases its surface area by 192 cm^2 . Find x , the original surface area, and the new surface area. Explain using an equation.

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	A prism is 1 cm by 6 cm by 10 cm. Double the 1 cm dimension. Find the original and new surface areas.	Original: 152 cm^2. New: 184 cm^2.
2	A prism is 2 cm by 7 cm by 11 cm. Multiply the 2 cm dimension by 12. Find the new surface area.	$1,018 \text{ cm}^2$
3	A prism is 8 cm by 12 cm by 13 cm. Double the 12 cm dimension. How much does the surface area increase?	504 cm^2
4	A prism is 9 cm by 14 cm by 16 cm. Multiply the 9 cm dimension by 12. Find the new surface area.	$6,928 \text{ cm}^2$
5	A prism is 15 cm by 17 cm by 18 cm. Double the 18 cm dimension. Find the original and new surface areas.	Original: $1,662 \text{ cm}^2$. New: $2,814 \text{ cm}^2$.

PART 2 • APPLY IT

- Larger box: $1,480 \text{ cm}^2$. Increase: 572 cm^2 .** Original SA is 908 cm^2 . Use dimensions 22 cm, 12 cm, and 14 cm for the larger box.
- Stacked box: $1,504 \text{ cm}^2$. Increase: 792 cm^2 .** Original SA is 712 cm^2 . The stacked box has dimensions 12 cm, 16 cm, and 20 cm.

CHALLENGE

$32x = 192$, so $x = 6$ cm. Original SA = 312 cm^2 . New SA = 504 cm^2 .

Accept equivalent correct calculations and labels for original, new, and increase. For the challenge, accept an explanation that the increase is $2(6x + 10x)$, or $32x$.