



Measure It: Length, Time & Comparison

LEARNING GOAL

Compare and measure length using appropriate units and read simple time contexts.

Study -> Practise -> Talk -> Make -> Reflect

Designed for short adult-supported sessions and independent return practice.

Purpose

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Suggested rhythm

Use 10-15 minutes. Model one example, let the child try, ask how they know, then stop while attention is still positive.

Feedback

Praise the strategy, careful observation or explanation. If an answer is wrong, ask the child to show their thinking before correcting it.

Transfer

Use the hands-on task before or after the printable page so the skill connects to real objects, talk and movement.

Safety & independence

Adult supervision is expected for cutting, small objects, outdoor exploration, water, torches or elastic bands. Adapt materials to the child.

Say the words, use them in conversation, then return to them during the activities.

Length

Use it in your own sentence or explanation.

Unit

Use it in your own sentence or explanation.

Centimetre

Use it in your own sentence or explanation.

Hour

Use it in your own sentence or explanation.

Half Hour

Use it in your own sentence or explanation.

Talk prompt

Which of these words feels newest? Explain what you think it means and give an example connected to measures.

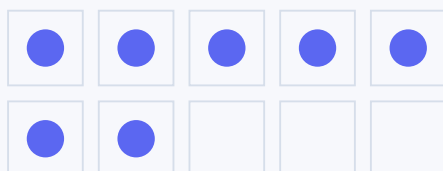
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Measurements need a consistent unit placed with no gaps or overlaps.

2

A clock represents the passing of time; the minute hand and hour hand have different jobs.

SHOW IT ANOTHER WAY



Use counters, drawings, words and symbols. Strong maths moves between representations.

Adult: model the first item. Child: explain what you notice or how you know.

1 Estimate then measure a pencil in centimetres.

2 Which is longer: 18 cm or 12 cm?

3 Draw hands for 3 o'clock.

4 What happens 1 hour after 6 o'clock?

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SHOW YOUR THINKING

Work carefully. Draw, mark, build or write when that helps your thinking.

1 Draw hands for 3 o'clock.

2 What happens 1 hour after 6 o'clock?

3 Why is measuring with random different-sized blocks unreliable?

4 What is half an hour after 2:00?

5 Estimate then measure a pencil in centimetres.

SHOW YOUR THINKING

Talk 1 Why is measuring with random different-sized blocks unreliable?

Talk 2 What is half an hour after 2:00?

Talk 3 What strategy, clue or observation helped you most with measures?

Talk 4 What mistake might someone make here? How could you help them notice it?

A complete explanation is more valuable than a fast one-word answer.

DO SOMETHING REAL

Choose three safe objects. Estimate their lengths first, then measure and order them shortest to longest.

RECORD WHAT HAPPENED

What I did

What I noticed

What I would try next

CREATE CHALLENGE

Create a simple timetable for three parts of your day and add clock drawings.

Use this space to draw, label, plan or draft.

Independent challenge

MATHEMATICS

Try without help first. Then explain or check your work with a grown-up.

- 1 Why is measuring with random different-sized blocks unreliable?
- 2 What is half an hour after 2:00?
- 3 Create one new example that would help another Grade 1 learner practise measures.

MY CHECK

☐ I tried a strategy ☐ I checked it ☐ I can explain one idea

ANSWER / REVIEW NOTES

- Different block sizes do not represent a consistent unit.
- 2:30.

LEARNER REFLECTION

One thing I understand better now:

One thing I want to practise again:

One real-life example I can think of:

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