

# Reasoning and Problem Solving

## Step 2: Area and Perimeter

### National Curriculum Objectives:

Mathematics Year 6: (6M7a) [Recognise that shapes with the same areas can have different perimeters and vice versa](#)

Mathematics Year 6: (6M7c) [Recognise when it is possible to use formulae for the area of shapes](#)

### Differentiation:

Questions 1, 4 and 7 (Problem Solving)

**Developing** Calculate out the area and perimeter of a new shape using given information. Whole numbers only, using known multiplication facts within  $12 \times 12$ .

**Expected** Calculate the area and perimeter of a new shape using given information. Includes up to 2-digit by 2-digit whole numbers and some conversion between units of measure. The formula for finding area and perimeter is used.

**Greater Depth** Calculate the area and perimeter of a new shape using given information. Includes some conversion between units of measure and decimal numbers up to 2 dp. The formula for finding area and perimeter is used.

Questions 2, 5 and 8 (Problem Solving)

**Developing** Calculate the largest and smallest areas possible using the information given. Whole numbers only, using known multiplication facts within  $12 \times 12$ .

**Expected** Calculate the largest and smallest areas possible using the information given. Includes up to 2-digit by 2-digit whole numbers and some conversion between units of measure. The formula for finding area and perimeter is used.

**Greater Depth** Calculate the largest and smallest areas possible using the information given. Includes some conversion between units of measure and decimal numbers up to 2 dp. The formula for finding area and perimeter is used.

Questions 3, 6 and 9 (Reasoning)

**Developing** Children explain whether they agree or disagree with a statement. Whole numbers only, using known multiplication facts within  $12 \times 12$ .

**Expected** Children explain whether they agree or disagree with a statement. Includes up to 2-digit by 2-digit whole numbers and some conversion between units of measure. The formula for finding area and perimeter is used.

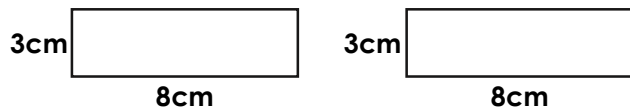
**Greater Depth** Children explain whether they agree or disagree with a statement. Includes some conversion between units of measure and decimal numbers up to 2 dp. The formula for finding area and perimeter is used.

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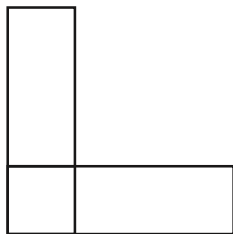
## Area and Perimeter

1a. Eddie draws two equal rectangles.



He puts them together to make a new shape.

What is the area and perimeter of the new shape?

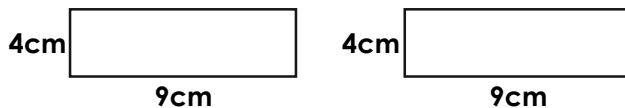


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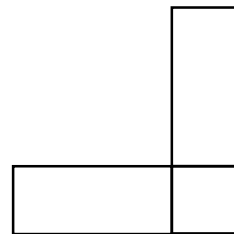
## Area and Perimeter

1b. Sadie draws two equal rectangles.



She puts them together to make a new shape.

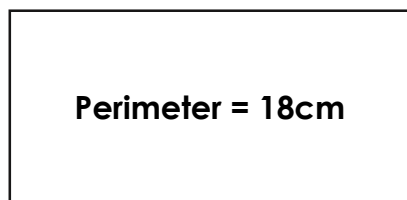
What is the area and perimeter of the new shape?



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2a. A shape has a perimeter of 18cm.



What is the largest area the shape could have?

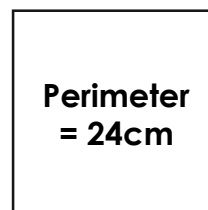
What is the smallest area the shape could have?



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2b. A shape has a perimeter of 24cm.



What is the largest area the shape could have?

What is the smallest area the shape could have?



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3a. Rosa says,



Squares have the same area and perimeter because you multiply by 4.

Do you agree? Prove it.



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3b. Jacob says,



Rectangles have the same area and perimeter because you just multiply the length by width.

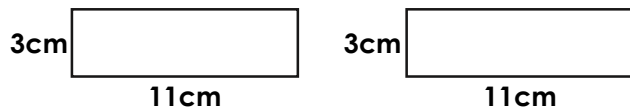
Do you agree? Prove it.



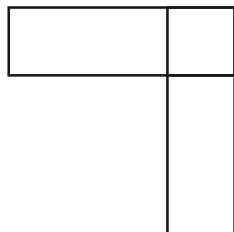
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## Area and Perimeter

4a. Freddy draws two equal rectangles.



He puts them together to make a new shape.



Using the correct formulae, find the area and perimeter of the new shape.

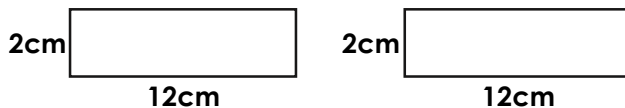


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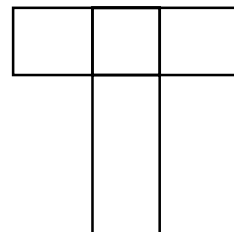
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4b. Hayley draws two equal rectangles.



She puts them together to make a new shape.



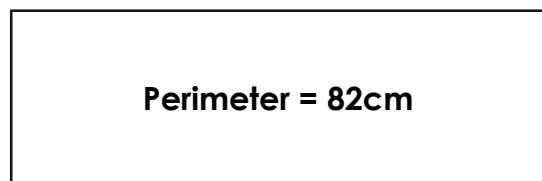
Using the correct formulae, find the area and perimeter of the new shape.



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5a. A shape has a perimeter of 82cm.



What is the largest area the shape could have?

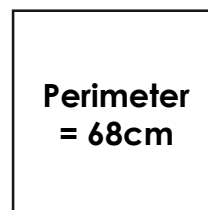
What is the smallest area the shape could have?



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5b. A shape has a perimeter of 68cm.



What is the largest area the shape could have?

What is the smallest area the shape could have?



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6a. Cally says,



A square can have the same area and perimeter.

Do you agree? Prove it.



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6b. Brendan says,



A rectangle will always have a different area and perimeter.

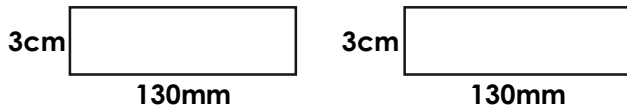
Do you agree? Prove it.



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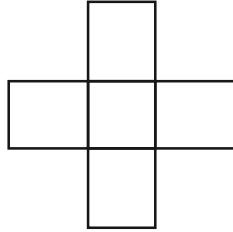
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7a. Hamza draws two equal rectangles.



He puts them together to make a new shape.

Using the correct formulae, find the area and perimeter of the new shape.

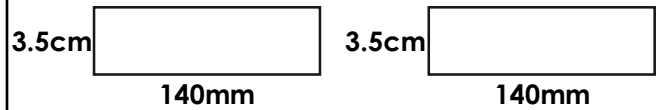


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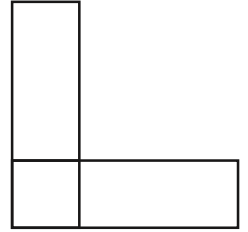
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7b. Joanna draws two equal rectangles.



She puts them together to make a new shape.

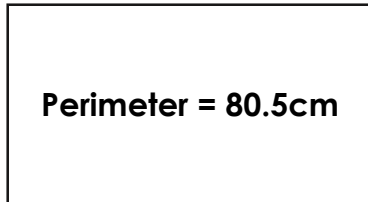
Using the correct formulae, find the area and perimeter of the new shape.



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8a. A shape has a perimeter of 80.5cm.



What is the largest area the shape could have?

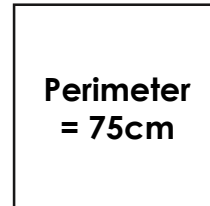
What is the smallest area the shape could have?



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8b. A shape has a perimeter of 75cm.



What is the largest area the shape could have?

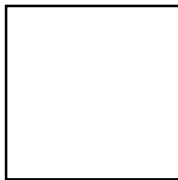
What is the smallest area the shape could have?



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9a. Suzie says,



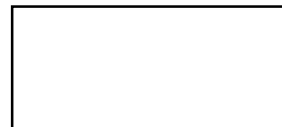
If a square has an area that is a decimal, then its perimeter will always be a decimal too.

Do you agree? Prove it.



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9b. Kevin says,



If a rectangle has a perimeter that is a decimal, then its area will always be a decimal too.

Do you agree? Prove it.



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## Reasoning and Problem Solving

### Area and Perimeter

#### Developing

- 1a. Area =  $39\text{cm}^2$ , Perimeter =  $32\text{cm}$   
2a. Largest area =  $4\text{cm} \times 5\text{cm} = 20\text{cm}^2$   
Smallest area =  $8\text{cm} \times 1\text{cm} = 8\text{cm}^2$   
3a. Disagree; to find the area you multiply length by width, to find the perimeter, you add all the sides together. For example: in a square that measures  $6\text{cm} \times 6\text{cm}$ , the area is  $36\text{cm}^2$ , but the perimeter is  $24\text{cm}$ .

#### Expected

- 4a. Area =  $57\text{cm}^2$ , Perimeter =  $44\text{cm}$   
5a. Largest area =  $20\text{cm} \times 21\text{cm} = 420\text{cm}^2$   
Smallest area =  $40\text{cm} \times 1\text{cm} = 40\text{cm}^2$   
6a. Agree; some squares have an equal area and perimeter (for example,  $4\text{cm} \times 4\text{cm}$ ), however, others do not (such as  $5\text{cm} \times 5\text{cm}$ ).

#### Greater Depth

- 7a. Area =  $69\text{cm}^2$ , Perimeter =  $52\text{cm}$   
8a. Largest area =  $20\text{cm} \times 20.25\text{cm} = 405\text{cm}^2$  (Accept this answer, however, if children wish to take this further, other decimals can produce larger areas such as  $20.1\text{cm} \times 20.15\text{cm} = 405.015$ . This may require a calculator).  
Smallest area =  $40\text{cm} \times 0.25\text{cm} = 10\text{cm}^2$   
9a. Disagree; if the area of a square is a decimal number, it does not mean that the perimeter will be a decimal as well. For example; Perimeter =  $4.5\text{cm} + 4.5\text{cm} + 4.5\text{cm} + 4.5\text{cm} = 18\text{cm}$ .  
Area =  $4.5 \times 4.5 = 20.25\text{cm}^2$ .

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#### Developing

- 1b. Area =  $56\text{cm}^2$ , Perimeter =  $36\text{cm}$   
2b. Largest area =  $6\text{cm} \times 6\text{cm} = 36\text{cm}^2$   
Smallest area =  $11\text{cm} \times 1\text{cm} = 11\text{cm}^2$   
3b. Disagree; to find the area, you multiply length by width, to find the perimeter you add all the sides together. For example: in a rectangle that measures  $3\text{cm} \times 4\text{cm}$ , the area is  $12\text{cm}^2$ , but the perimeter is  $14\text{cm}$ .

#### Expected

- 4b. Area =  $44\text{cm}^2$ , Perimeter =  $48\text{cm}$   
5b. Largest area =  $17\text{cm} \times 17\text{cm} = 289\text{cm}^2$   
Smallest area =  $33\text{cm} \times 1\text{cm} = 33\text{cm}^2$   
6b. Disagree; some rectangles have an equal area and perimeter (for example,  $3\text{cm} \times 6\text{cm}$ ), however others do not (such as  $7\text{cm} \times 5\text{cm}$ ).

#### Greater Depth

- 7b. Area =  $85.75\text{cm}^2$ , Perimeter =  $56\text{cm}$   
8b. Largest area =  $18.5\text{cm} \times 19\text{cm} = 351.5\text{cm}^2$   
Smallest area =  $37\text{cm} \times 0.5\text{cm} = 18.5\text{cm}^2$   
9b. Disagree; although a rectangle may have a perimeter with a decimal number, it is still possible for the area to be a whole number. For example; Perimeter =  $1.2\text{cm} + 5\text{cm} + 1.2\text{cm} + 5\text{cm} = 12.4\text{cm}$ .  
Area =  $1.2 \times 5 = 6\text{cm}^2$ .