Subject: Mathematics
Level: Standard Four
Strand: Measurement
Topic: Area

## At the end of this worksheet, you will be able to:

- Solve problems involving the area of a rectangle.
- Solve problems involving the area of irregular shapes.


## Key Points:

- Area is the amount of space taken up by a shape or surface and it is measured in square units e.g. $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$ or $\mathrm{m}^{2}$.
- If we were given a shape drawn on a grid, we can find the area by counting the number of square units used to make the shape.
- The area of a rectangle may be calculated by multiplying the length by its width: Area $=$ Length $\mathbf{x}$ Width.
- If the area and the length, or the area and the width of a rectangle are given, we can calculate the missing dimension by using either of the formulae below:
- Length $=$ Area $\div$ Width
- Width $=$ Area $\div$ Length
- If the area of a square is given, the length of the side of the square is the square root of the area i.e. Side $=\sqrt{ }$ Area.


## Example 1

What is the area of the rectangle showed below?


- In this example we can find the area by counting the square units:

Counting gives us $\mathbf{1 5} \mathbf{~ c m}^{2}$

- We can also find the area by using the formula $\mathbf{A}=\mathbf{L} \mathbf{x} \mathbf{W}$ :

When $\mathrm{L}=5 \mathrm{~cm}$ and $\mathrm{W}=3 \mathrm{~cm}$
Area $=5 \mathrm{~cm} \mathrm{x} 3 \mathrm{~cm}=\mathbf{1 5} \mathbf{c m}^{2}$

## Example 2

What is the length of the side of the square shown below?
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\begin{aligned}
\text { Side } & =\sqrt{ } \text { Area } \\
& =\sqrt{ } 16 \\
& =\mathbf{4} \mathbf{c m}
\end{aligned}
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## ACTIVITY 1

1. State, in square units, the area of the blue rectangle on the grid below.


Answer $\qquad$
2. Calculate the area of the rectangle shown.


Answer $\qquad$
3. Draw a rectangle on the grid so that the area of the rectangle is 20 square units and the length of one side is 4 units.

4. What is the length of the rectangle if its area is $72 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ and its width is 8 cm ?

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? \mathrm{~cm}
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$$
\text { Area }=72 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}
$$

8 cm

Answer $\qquad$
5. What is the area of the rectangle to the right?
a) $640 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
b) $52 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
c) $640 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$
d) $52 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$


## ACTIVITY 2

1. In the figure below, each square represents $1 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$. What is the area of the shaded region?


Answer $\qquad$
2. The area of the square below is $64 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$. What is the length of each side?


Answer $\qquad$
3. Calculate the area of the shape below.

24 m


Answer
4. Which of the following figures has an area of $22 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ ?


Answer $\qquad$
5. A small square is located inside a bigger square. The length of one side of the small square is 3 cm and the length of one side of the big square is 7 cm . What is the area of the shaded region?


Answer $\qquad$

## ASSESSMENT

1. What is the area of the rectangle shown?


Answer $\qquad$
2. The area of a rectangle is $91 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$. If the length is 13 m , what is the width of the rectangle?

Answer $\qquad$
3. Aaron's father built a rectangular tool shed. The area of the floor measures 182 square metres and its width measures 13 metres. What is the length of the tool shed?

Answer $\qquad$
4. The area of the rectangle below is $96 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$. The length is 12 cm , find the width $(\mathrm{W})$ of the rectangle.


Answer $\qquad$
5. An envelope is 9 cm long and 6 cm wide. What is the area of the envelope?

Answer $\qquad$

## ANSWER KEY

## ACTIVITY 1

1. $L=12 \mathrm{~cm} \mathrm{~W}=7 \mathrm{~cm}$. $12 \mathrm{~cm} \mathrm{x} \mathbf{~ c m}=84 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
2. Answer: $\mathbf{8 4} \mathbf{c m}^{\mathbf{2}}$
3. 


4. 9 cm
5. $\mathrm{C} 640 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$

## ACTIVITY 2

1. $13 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
2. 8 cm
3. $360 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$
4. Figure G
5. $40 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$

ASSESSMENT

1. $24 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
2. 7 m
3. $\mathbf{1 4} \mathrm{m}$
4. $\mathbf{8 ~ c m}$
5. $54 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
