CHAPTER SEVEN

The Perimeter, Area And Volume Of Geometrical Figures

The Rectangle :

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L = the length.

B = the breadth or the width.

The Perimeter:

- The perimeter of a given figure is the distance around it, and as such the perimeter of a rectangle is the distance around it.

- The perimeter of a rectangle is given by

P = 2L + 2B, or P = 2(L+B), where P = perimeter, L = length and B = breadth.

Q1. The length of a rectangle is 8cm and its breadth is 5cm. Find its perimeter.

Soln.

L = 8cm, B = 5cm. P = 2L + 2B = 2(8) + 2(5) = 16 + 10 = 26cm

 \therefore perimeter = 26cm.

Method 2

P = 2(L+B) = 2(8+5) = 2(13) = 2x13 = 26cm.

Q2. A rectangle is of length 100cm and breadth 80cm. Find the distance around it. Soln.

L = 100cm and B = 80cm.

 $P = 2L+2B = 2(100) + 2(80), \implies P = 2x100 + 2x80 = 200 + 160 = 360cm.$

Q3. A rectangle has a length of 6cm and a width of 3cm. Calculate its perimeter. Soln.

Width = breadth = 3cm and L= 6cm.Since P = 2L+2B, $\Rightarrow p = 2(6) + 2(3) = 12 + 6 = 18$, $\Rightarrow perimeter = 18cm$.

Q4. A rectangle has a length of 0.2m and a breadth of 10cm. Find its perimeter. N/B: The length is given in metres and the breadth in centimetres. Covert the metres into centimeters by multiplying by 100, since 100cm = 1m.

Soln.

 $L = 0.2m = 0.2x100 = 20cm, B = 10cm. P = 2L+2B \implies p = 2(20) + 2(10) \implies p = 40 + 20 = 60, \therefore perimeter = 60cm.$

Q5. A rectangular plot of land is 0.4m long and 30cm wide.

Calculate the distance round it.

L = 0.4m = 0.4x100 = 40cm. Width = $30cm \implies B = 30cm$.

Distance around it = the perimeter = 2(L+B) = 2(40+30) = 2(70) = 140cm.

Q6. The distance around a rectangular plot of land is 520cm. If the field is 80m long, find its breadth.

Soln.

P = 520cm, L = 80cm, B = ? From P = 2L+2B \Rightarrow p = 2(80) + 2B, => 520 = 160 + 2B, \Rightarrow 520 - 160 = 2B, \Rightarrow 360 = 2B, \Rightarrow B = $\frac{360}{2}$ = 180.

 \therefore the breadth is 180cm.

Q7. A football field is in the shape of a rectangle, and is 200m long and 80m wide. Find the distance covered by a man, if he walks round the field. a) Once b) Twice

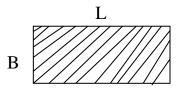
Soln.

a) The distance covered by the man if he walks round the field once = the perimeter

=2(200) + 2(80) = 400 + 160 = 560m.

b) The distance covered if he walks twice round the football field is twice the perimeter = 2x560 = 1120m.

The area of a rectangle:



- The region inside a given figure is called its area.
- Therefore the shaded region within the above figure is the area of the rectangle.

- The area of a rectangle = $L \times B$, where L = the length and B = the breadth.

Q1. A rectangle has a length of 50m and a breadth of 30m. Find its area.

Soln.

Area = $L \times B = 50 \times 30 = 1500 \text{m}^2$

Q2. A rectangular plot of land is 30m long an15m wide. Find its area.

Soln

L = 30m, B = 15m.

 $A = L \times B = 30 \times 15 = 450, \implies area = 450m^2$

Q3. The length of a rectangle is 0.5m and its breadth is 20cm. Calculate its area. Soln.

 $L = 0.5m = 0.5 \times 100 = 50cm, B = 20cm$

 $A = L \times B = 50 \times 20 = 1000 \implies area = 1000 cm^2$

Q4. The area of a rectangular shaped land is 120m². If its breadth is 40m, determine its length.

Soln.

A = 120m², B = 40m, L = ? From A = L x B \Rightarrow 120 = 40L, \Rightarrow 40L = 120, $\therefore L = \frac{120}{40} = 3$, \Rightarrow the length = 3m. Q5.A rectangle has an area of 340m². If its length is 30m, find its breadth. Soln. A = 340m², L = 30m, B =? Since A = L x B \Rightarrow 340 = 30 × B, \Rightarrow 340 = 30B \Rightarrow 30B = 340, \Rightarrow B = $\frac{340}{30}$ =

11.3, \Rightarrow the breadth = 11.3m.

Q6.The perimeter of a rectangle is 26mm and its breadth is 10mm. Calculate. a) its length b) its area.

Soln. P = 26mm, B = 10mm, L =? Since P = 2L + 2B \Rightarrow 26 = 2L + 2(10), \Rightarrow 26 = 2L + 20, \Rightarrow 26 - 20 = 2L, \Rightarrow 6 = 2L \Rightarrow 2L = 6, \Rightarrow L = $\frac{6}{2}$ = 3. a) Length (L) = 3mm, b) Area = L x B = 3x10 = 30, \Rightarrow area = 30mm² Q7. The perimeter of a rectangle is given as 52m. If the breadth is 10m, calculate its area.

Soln.

P = 52m, B = 10m, L =? Since P = 2L+2B \Rightarrow 52 = 2L + 2(10), \Rightarrow 52 - 20 = 2L, \Rightarrow 32 = 2L. \therefore 2L = 32 \Rightarrow L = $\frac{32}{2}$ = 16m \Rightarrow A = L × B = 16 × 10 = 160m² Q8. The area of a rectangle is 200cm². If its length is 40cm, calculate its perimeter. N/B: You must first determine the breadth. Soln. A = 200cm², L = 40cm, B = ? From A = L x B \Rightarrow 200 = 40 × B, \Rightarrow 200 = 40B, \Rightarrow 40B = 200, \therefore B = $\frac{200}{40}$ = 5, \Rightarrow B = 5cm. Since P = 2L + 2B \Rightarrow P = 2(40) + 2(5), \Rightarrow p = 80 + 10 \Rightarrow p = 90cm. Q9. A rectangular plot of land has an area of 250m² and a length of 25m. Determine the distance around it.

Soln.

$$A = 250m^2$$
, $L = 25m$, $B = ?$

From A = L x B \Rightarrow 250 = 25 × B, \Rightarrow 250 = 25B, \Rightarrow 25B = 250, \Rightarrow B = $\frac{250}{25}$ = 10, \Rightarrow B = 10m. P = 2L+2B = 2(25) + 2(10) = 50+20 = 70 \Rightarrow p = 70m.

Q10. A rectangle has a breadth of 15m and an area of 450m². Calculate its perimeter.

Soln.

B = 15m, A = 450m², L = ? Since A = L x B \Rightarrow 450 = $L \times 15$, \Rightarrow 450 = 15L, \Rightarrow 15L = 450, \Rightarrow $L = \frac{450}{15} = 30$, \Rightarrow L = 30m. P = 2L + 2B = 2(30) + 2(15), \Rightarrow P = 60 + 30 = 90m. Q11. A rectangle has a length of *x*cm and a breadth of ycm. Calculate a) its area. b) its perimeter.

Soln.

a) L = x cm, B = y cm.
A = L x B = x x y = xycm²
b) P = 2L + 2B = 2(x) + 2(y) = 2x + 2y = (2x + 2y)cm.