



# Year 7 Knowledge Organiser - 3D Shapes

## Objectives

Identify properties of the faces, surfaces, edges and vertices of cubes, cuboids, prisms, cylinders, pyramids, cones and spheres

Use conventional terms and notations: points, lines, vertices, edges, planes, parallel lines, perpendicular lines, right angles, polygons, regular polygons and polygons with reflection and/or rotation symmetries

Know the properties and definitions of special types of quadrilaterals, including square, rectangle, parallelogram, trapezium, kite and rhombus; and triangles and other plane figures using appropriate language

Know and apply formulae to calculate volume of cuboids

Calculate surface area of cuboids

## Key Vocabulary

Face - a flat surface of a 3D shape

Edge - a line segment joining one vertex to another

Vertex - where two or more edges meet

Parallel Lines - a set of lines which are equidistant (never meet)

Perpendicular Lines - lines which intersect at right angles

Polygon - a straight edged 2D shape

Regular Polygon - where all edges are equal, and angles are equal

Surface Area - the total area of the net of a 3D shape

Rotational symmetry - when a shape still looks the same after a rotation.

## Surface area

Sketching nets first helps you visualise all the sides that will form the overall surface area

For cubes and cuboids you can also find one of each face and double it.

For other shapes - not all the sides are the same, so calculate the individually.

Sum of all sides is surface area

## Volumes

Volume is the 3D space it takes up - also known as capacity if using liquids to fill the space



### Counting cubes

Some 3D shape volumes can be calculated by counting the number of cubes that fit inside the shape.

**Cubes/ Cuboids = base x width x height**

Remember multiplication is commutative

Cross section

**Prisms and cylinders - area cross section x height**

Height can also be described as depth

A Regular Pentagon (5 sides) has 5 Lines of Symmetry

A Regular Hexagon (6 sides) has 6 Lines of Symmetry

A Regular Heptagon (7 sides) has 7 Lines of Symmetry

Areas - square units  
Volumes - cube units

Areas and volumes can be left in terms of  $\pi$

**Surface area of cuboids:**

- Draw the net of the cuboid
- Find the area of each face ( $l \times w$ )
- Add up the area of each face to find the total

## Properties of Quadrilaterals

<p><b>Square</b> All sides equal size All angles <math>90^\circ</math> Opposite sides are parallel</p>	<p><b>Parallelogram</b> Opposite sides are parallel Opposite angles are equal Co-interior angles</p>
<p><b>Rectangle</b> All angles <math>90^\circ</math> Opposite sides are parallel</p>	<p><b>Trapezium</b> One pair of parallel lines</p>
<p><b>Rhombus</b> All sides equal size Opposite angles are equal</p>	<p><b>Kite</b> No parallel lines Equal lengths on top sides Equal lengths on bottom sides One pair of equal angles</p>

Notice a pattern between the number of sides of a regular polygon and its number of lines of symmetry? This is also the same for their rotational symmetry.

## Polygons

3 - Triangle	5 - Pentagon	8 - Octagon
4 - Quadrilateral	6 - Hexagon	9 - Nonagon
	7 - Heptagon	10 - Decagon

If all the sides and angles are the same, it is a **regular** polygon

## Name 2D & 3D shapes

## Recognise prisms

A solid object with two identical ends and flat sides

The cross section will also be identical to the end faces

A cylinder although with very similar properties does not have flat faces so is not categorised as a prism

## Nets of cuboids

Visualise the folding of the net. Will it make the cuboid with all sides touching

1cm grids help to draw accurately

## Sketch and recognise nets

**Perpendicular lines**  
Straight lines that meet at  $90^\circ$

**Parallel lines**  
Straight lines that never meet (have the same gradient)