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## Instructions:

Read the following information and use it or the links provided to answer the questions.

In the United States, we use a system known as the U.S. customary system (also known as the standard or imperial system). Most of the rest of the world uses the metric system. The U.S. customary system and metric system both measure length, weight, and volume.

The U.S. customary system measurements for length, weight, and volume are as follows:

| Length: | Weight: |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 foot $(\mathrm{ft})=12$ inches $(\mathrm{in})$ | 1 pound $(\mathrm{lb})=16$ ounces | Volume: |
| 1 tablespoon (tbsp) = 3 teaspoons |  |  |
| 1 yard $(\mathrm{yd})=3$ feet | $(\mathrm{oz})$ | $(\mathrm{tsp})$ |
| 1 mile $(\mathrm{mi})=5280$ feet | 1 ton $=2000$ pounds | 1 cup (c) = 16 tablespoons |
| 1 mile $=1760$ yards |  | 1 cup =8 fluid ounces (oz) |
|  |  | 1 pint $(\mathrm{pt})=2$ cups |
|  | 1 quart $(\mathrm{qt})=2$ pints |  |
|  | 1 gallon $($ gal $)=4$ quarts |  |

The metric system measurements for length, weight, and volume are as follows:

| Prefix | Meaning | Length | Mass | Capacity |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| kilo- | thousand <br> $(1,000)$ | kilometer | kilogram | kiloliter |
| hecto- | hundred <br> $(100)$ | hectometer | hectogram | hectoliter |
| deka- | ten <br> $(10)$ | $\underline{\text { dekameter }}$ | dekagram | dekaliter |
| *base unit | ones <br> $(1)$ | meter | gram | liter |
| deci- | tenths <br> $(0.1)$ | decimeter | decigram | deciliter |
| centi- | hundredths <br> $(0.01)$ | centimeter | centigram | centliter |
| milli- | thousandths <br> $(0.001)$ | millimeter | milligram | millinter |

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The metric system is a decimal based system using the prefixes above to make its units either larger or smaller than the base unit (meter, gram, liter).

Conversions are quickly made by multiplying or dividing by factors of 10. It is as simple as moving the decimal point to the right (for smaller prefixes) or to the left (for larger prefixes). For example, if a length you measure is 10 meters, you would call it a decameter and say the length was 1 decameter.

Using the information above or the links below, answer the following questions.
U.S. Customary or Standard measurement: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lu6YaZoh4ec

Metric System:
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1TICcW mugs
U.S. Customary (Standard) and Metric measurement: https://www.khanacademy.org/math/cc-fifth-grade-math/cc-5th-measurement-topic/cc-5th-unit-conversion/v/u-s-customary-and-metric-units

## Part A: Comparing Measurement Systems

Match each basic unit of measurement with the property it is used to measure.

| Gram | Liter | Meter |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |

1. $\qquad$ is a unit of measure for length.
2. $\qquad$ is a unit of measurement for volume.
3. $\qquad$ is a unit of measurement for mass.
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Compare the units of measurement for the U.S. customary system of measurement and the international system of measurement (metric system) by matching the units that are the most similar.

## Metric System

$\qquad$ 4. liter
5. centimeter
6. meter
7. kilogram
8. gram
$\qquad$ 9. kilometer

## U.S. Customary System

a. yard
b. pound
c. quart
d. inch
e. mile
f. ounce

## Part B: Converting

Find the equivalent measurement of each given unit.

|  | Unit | Equivalent <br> Measurement |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 10. | 1 gram (g) |  |
| 11. | 1 gram (g) |  |
| 12. | 1 kilogram (kg) | $\quad$ |

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## Part C: Matching

Match the object with the metric unit that is the best choice for measuring it.
$\underline{\text { Object }}$

## Metric Unit

a. kilometer (km)
13. The volume of liquid in a big bottle of soda pop
14. The mass of a large dog
b. meter (m)
$\qquad$ 15. The distance from Minnesota to Hawaii
c. liter (L)
$\qquad$ 16. The width of a bedroom
d. gram (g)
$\qquad$ 17. The mass of a small apple
e. kilogram (kg)

## For fun:

Here is a conversion chart between Standard and Metric units!

| Customary Units |
| :--- |
| Metric Units |
| 1 Inch |
| 1 Foot |
| 1 Yard |
| 1 Mile |
| 1 Ounce |

