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#### ABSTRACT

Designed to meet the job-related metric measurement needs of plumbing and pipefitting students, this instructional package is one of three for the construction occupations cluster, part of a set of 55 packages for metric instruction in different occupations. The package is intended for students who already know the occupational terminology, measurement terms, and tools currently in use. Each of the five units in this instructional package contains performance objectives, learning activities, and supporting information in the form of text, exercises, and tables, In addition, suggested teaching techniques are included. At the back of the package are objective-based evaluation items, a page of answers to the exercises and tests, a list of metric materials needed for the activities, references, and a list of suppliers. The material is designed to accommodate a variety of individual teaching and learning styles, e.g., independent study, small group, or whole-class activity. Exercises are intended to facilitate experiences with measurement instruments, tools, and devices used in this occupation and job-related tasks of estimating and measuring. Unit I, a general introduction to the metric system of measurement, provides informal, hands-on experiences for the students. This unit enables students to become familiar with the basic metric units, their symbols, and measurement instruments: and to develop a set of mental references for metric values. The metric system of notation also is explained. Unit 2 provides the metric terms which are used in this occupation and gives experience with occupational measurement tasks. Unit 3 focuses on job-related metric equivalents and their relationships. Unit 4 provides experience with recognizing and using metric instruments and tools in occupational measurement tasks. It also provides experience in comparing metric and customary measurement instruments. Unit 5 is designed to give students practice in converting customary and metric measurements, a skill considered useful during the transition to metric in each occupation. (HD)

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# TEACHING AND LEARNING THE METRIC SYSTEM

This metric instructional package was designed to meet job-related metric measurement needs of students. To use this package students should already know the occupational terminology, measurement terms, and tools currently in use. These materials were prepared with the help of experienced vocational teachers, reviewed by experts, tested in classrooms in different parts of the United States, and revised before distribution.

Each of the five units of instruction contains performance objectives, learning activities, and supporting information in the form of text, exercises, and tables. In addition, suggested teaching techniques are included. At the back of this package are objective-based evaluation items, a page of answers to the exercises and tests, a list of metric materials needed for the activities, references, and a list of suppliers.

Classroom experiences with this instructional package suggest the following teaching-learning strategies:

- 1. Let the first experiences be informal to make learning the metric system fun.
- 2. Students learn better when metric units are compared to familiar objects. Everyone should learn to "think metric." Comparing metric units to customary units can be confusing.
- 3. Students will learn quickly to estimate and measure in metric units by "doing."
- 4. Students should have experience with measuring activities before getting too much information.
- 5. Move through the units in an order which emphasizes the simplicity of the metric system (e.g., length to area to volume).
- 6. Teach one concept at a time to avoid overwhelming students with too much material.

Unit 1 is a general introduction to the metric system of measurement which provides informal, hands-on experiences for the students. This unit enables students to become familiar with the basic metric units, their symbols, and measurement instruments; and to develop a seal references for metric values. The metric system of notatic explained.

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Unit 3 focuses on job-related metric equivalents and their relationships.

Unit 4 provides experience with recognizing and using metric instruments and tools in occupational measurement tasks. It also provides experience in comparing metric and customary measurement instruments.

Unit 5 is designed to give students practice in converting customary and metric measurements. Students should learn to "think metric" and avoid comparing customary and metric units. However, skill with conversion tables will be useful during the transition to metric in each occupation.

Using These Instructional Materials .

This package was designed to help students learn a core of knowledge about the metric system which they will use on the job. The exercises facilitate experiences with measurement instruments, tools, and devices used in this occupation and job-related tasks of estimating and measuring.

This instructional package also was designed to accommodate a variety of individual teaching and learning styles. Teachers are encouraged to adapt these materials to their own classes. For example, the information sheets may be given to students for self-study. References may be used as supplemental resources. Exercises may be used in independent study, small groups, or whole-class activities. All of the materials can be expanded by the teacher.

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# UNIT

#### SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

- These introductory exercises may require two or three teaching periods for all five areas of measurement.
- 2. Exercises should be followed in the order given to best show the relationship between length, area, and volume.
  - Assemble the metric measuring devices (rules, tapes, scales, thermometers, and measuring containers) and objects to be measured.\*
  - Set up the equipment at work stations for use by the whole class or as individualized resource activities.
  - 5. Have the students estimate, measure, and record using Exercises 1 through 5.
  - 6. Present information on notation and make Table 1 available.
  - 7. Follow up with group discussion of activities.

<sup>\*</sup>Other school departments may have devices which can be used. Metric suppliers are listed in the reference section.



# **OBJECTIVES**

The student will demonstrate these skills for the Linear, Area, Volume or Capacity, Mass, and Temperature Exercises, using the metric terms and measurement devices listed here

|                |   |   |   | EXERCISES   |  |   |
|----------------|---|---|---|---|--|---|
|                | SKILLS  | Linear<br>(pp. 3 - 4)                                     | Area<br>(pp. 5 · 6)                       | Volume or Capacity<br>(pp. 7 - 8)                             | Mass<br>(pp. 9 · 10)                               | Temperature<br>(p. 11)                    |
| 1.<br>2.<br>3. | Recognize and use the unit and its symbol for:  Select, use, and read the appropriate measuring instruments for:  State or show a physical reference for: | millimetre (mm) centimetre (cm) metre (m)                 | square centimetre (cm²) square metre (m²) | cubic centimetre (cm³)  cubic metre (m³)  litre (1)           | gram (g)<br>kilogram (kg)                          | degree Celsius<br>(°C)                    |
| 4.             | Estimate within 25% of the actual measure   | height, width, or<br>length of objects                    | the area of<br>a given surface            | capacity of containers  | the mass of objects<br>in grams and kilo-<br>grams | the temperature of<br>the air or a liquid |
| 5.             | Read correctly  | metre stick, metric<br>tape measure, and<br>metric rulens |   | measurements<br>on graduated<br>volume measur-<br>ing devices | a kilogram scale<br>and a grum scale               | A Celsius thermometer                     |

#### RULES OF NOTATION

- 1. Symbols are not capitalized unless the unit is a proper name (mm not MM).
- 2. Symbols are not followed by periods (m not m.).
- 3. Symbols are not followed by an s for plurals (25 g not 25 gs).
- 4. A space separates the numerals from the unit symbols (4 l not 4l).
- 5. Spaces, not commas, are used to separate large numbers into groups of three digits (45 271 km not 45,271 km).
- 6. A zero precedes the decimal point if the number is less than one (0.52 g not .52 g).
- 7. Litre and metre can be spelled either with an -re or -er ending.

# METRIC UNITS, SYMBOLS, AND REFERENTS

| Quantity                               | Metric Unit                     | Symbol          | Useful Referents                                 |
|--|---------------------------------|-----------------|--|
| Length                                 | millimetre                      | mm              | Thickness of dime or paper clip wire             |
|  | centimetre                      | cm              | Width of paper clip                              |
|  | metre                           | m               | Height of door about 2 m                         |
| · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  | kilometre                       | km              | 12-minute walking distance                       |
| Area                                   | square<br>centimetre            | cm <sup>2</sup> | Area of this space                               |
|  | square metre                    | m <sup>2</sup>  | Area of card table top                           |
| ************************************** | hectare                         | ha              | Football field including sidelines and end zones |
| Volume and                             | millilitre                      | ml ·            | Teaspoon is 5 ml                                 |
| Capacity                               | litre                           | 1               | A little more than 1 quart                       |
|  | cubic<br>centimetre             | cm <sup>3</sup> | Volume of this container                         |
|  |                                 |                 |  |
|  | cubic metre                     | m <sup>3</sup>  | A little more than a cubic yard                  |
| Mass                                   | milligram                       | mg              | Apple seed about 10 mg, grain of salt, 1 mg      |
|  | gram                            | g               | Nickel about 5 g                                 |
|  | kilogram                        | kg              | Webster's Collegiate Dictionary                  |
|  | metric ton<br>(1-000 kilograms) | t               | Volkswagen Beetle                                |



# Table 1-a

# METRIC PREFIXES

| Multiples and<br>Submultiples | Prefixes :     | Symbols |
|-------------------------------|----------------|---------|
| 1 000 000 = 10 <sup>6</sup>   | mega (meg'à)   | M       |
| 1 000 = 10 <sup>3</sup>       | kilo (kil ō)   | k       |
| $100 = 10^2$                  | hecto (hĕk'tō) | h       |
| 10 = 10 <sup>1</sup>          | deka (dĕk'à)   | da      |
| Base Unit 1 = 10 <sup>0</sup> |                |         |
| 0,1 = 10 <sup>-1</sup>        | deci (des i)   | d       |
| $0.01 = 10^{-2}$              | centi (sĕn'ti) | c       |
| $0.001 = 10^{-3}$             | milli (mil'i)  | m       |
| 0,000 001 = 10 <sup>-6</sup>  | micro (ml/kro) | μ       |
| 0,000 001 = 10                | micro (mi'kro) | μ       |

Table 1-b



# LINEAR MEASUREMENT ACTIVITIES

# Metre, Centimetre, Millimetre

### I. THE METRE (m)

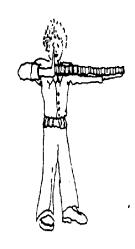
## A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR THE SIZE OF A METRE

1. Pick up one of the metre sticks and stand it up on the floor. Hold it in place with one hand. Walk around the stick. Now stand next to the stick. With your other hand, touch yourself where the top of the metre stick comes on you.

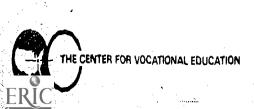


#### THAT IS HOW HIGH A METRE IS!

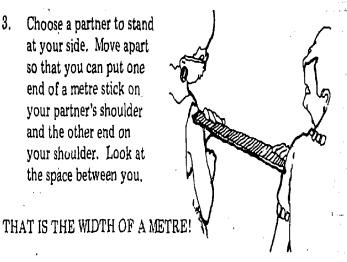
Hold one arm out straight at shoulder height. Put the metre stick along this arm until the end hits the end of your fingers. Where is the other end of the metre stick? Touch yourself at that end.



THAT IS HOW LONG A METRE IS!



3. Choose a partner to stand at your side. Move apart so that you can put one end of a metre stick on your partner's shoulder and the other end on your shoulder. Look at the space between you.



DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN METRES

Now you will improve your ability to estimate in metres. Remember where the length and height of a metre was on your body.

For each of the following items:

Estimate the size of the items and write your estimate in the ESTIMATE column. Measure the size with your metre stick and write the answer in the MEASUREMENT column.

Decide how close your estimate was to the actual measure. If your estimate was within 25% of the actual measure you are a "Metric Marvel."

|    |                                 | Estimate<br>(m) | Measurement<br>(m) | How Close<br>Were You? |
|----|---------------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| l. | Height of door knob from floor. | ~~~~            | ()                 | ·<br>                  |
| 2. | Height of door.                 | *****           |                    |                        |
| 3. | Length of table.                | •               |                    |                        |
| 4. | Width of table.                 |                 |                    |                        |
| 5. | Length of wall of this room.    | ~~~~            | • • • •            |                        |
| ö. | Distance from you to wall.      | ******          | · .                |                        |

Exercise 1

(continued on next page)

#### II. THE CENTIMETRE (cm)

There are 100 centimetres in one metre. If there are 4 metres and 3 centimetres, you write  $403 \text{ cm} [(4 \times 100 \text{ cm}) + 3 \text{ cm} = 400 \text{ cm} + 3 \text{ cm}].$ 

#### A DEVELOP A FEELING FOR THE SIZE OF A CENTIMETRE

| 1. | Hold the metric ruler against the width and a sail.  How wide is it? cm   |
|----|---|
| 2. | Measure your thumb from the first are com                                 |
| 3. | Use the metric ruler to find the width of your palm cm                    |
| 4. | Measure your index or pointing finger. How long is it? cm                 |
| 5. | Measure your wrist with a tape measure. What is the distance around it?cm |

#### B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN CENTIMETRES

Use the tape measure to find your waist size. \_\_\_\_ cm

You are now ready to estimate in centimetres. For each of the following items, follow the procedures used for estimating in metres.

How Class

|    |                             | Estimate (cm)                        | Measurement (cm) | Were You? |
|----|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|-----------|
| 1. | Length of a paper clip.     |                                      |                  | ·         |
| 2. | Diameter (width) of a coin. | <del></del>                          |                  |           |
| 3, | Width of a postage stamp.   | Parting and Honory or security (Fig. |                  |           |
| 4. | Length of a pencil.         |                                      |                  |           |
| 5. | Width of a sheet of paper.  |                                      |                  |           |

## III. THE MILLIMETRE (mm)

There are 10 millimetres in one centimetre. When a measurement is 2 centimetres and 5 millimetres, you write 25 mm [(2 x 10 mm) + 5 mm = 20 mm + 5 mm]. There are 1 000 mm in 1 m.

#### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR THE SIZE OF A MILLIMETRE

| Usii | ng a ruler marked in millimetres, measi | ıre: |     |
|------|---|------|-----|
| 1.   | Thickness of a paper clip wire.         |      | min |
| 2.   | Thick ess of your fingernail.           |      | mm  |
| 3.   | Width of your fingernail.               | ·    | mm  |
| 4.   | Diameter (width) of a coin.             |      | mm  |
| 5.   | Diameter (thickness) of your pencil.    |      | mm  |
| 6.   | Width of a postage stamp.               |      | mm  |

# B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN MILLIMETRES

You are now ready to estimate in millimetres. For each of the following items, follow the procedures used for estimating in metres.

|            |                                   | Estimate<br>(mm) | Measurement (mm) | Were You? |
|------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------|
| l.         | Thickness of a nickel.            | -                | •                |           |
| 2.         | Diameter (thickness) of a bolt.   |                  |                  |           |
| 3.         | Length of a bolt.                 |                  | <del></del>      |           |
| 4.         | Width of a sheet of paper.        |                  |                  |           |
| <b>5</b> . | Thickness of a board or desk top. |                  | <u></u>          | h         |
| 3,         | Thickness of a                    |                  |                  |           |

# AREA MEASUREMENT ACTIVITIES

# Square Centimetre, Square Metre

WHEN YOU DESCRIBE THE AREA OF SOMETHING, YOU ARE SAYING HOW MANY SQUARES OF A GIVEN SIZE IT TAKES TO COVER THE SURFACE.

| I. | THE | SQUARE | CENTIMETRE | (cm <sup>2</sup> ) |
|----|-----|--------|------------|--------------------|
|----|-----|--------|------------|--------------------|

#### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A SQUARE CENTIMETRE

- 1. Take a clear plastic grid, the grid on page 6.
- 2. Measure the length and with a centilitier rule of these small squares with a centilitier rule

THAT IS ONE SQUARE CENTIMETRE!

- 3. Place your lingernail over the grid. About how many squares does it take to cover your fingernail?

  \_\_\_\_\_cm<sup>2</sup>
- 4. Place a coin over the grid. About how many squares does it take to cover the coin? \_\_\_\_\_cm<sup>2</sup>
- 6. Place an envelope over the grid. About how many squares does it take to cover the envelope?
  - \_\_\_\_cm<sup>2</sup>
- 7. Measure the length and width of the envelope in centimetres. Length \_\_\_\_\_ cm; width \_\_\_\_\_ cm.

  Multiply to find the area in square centimetres.

  \_\_\_\_ cm x \_\_\_\_ cm = \_\_\_\_ cm<sup>2</sup>. How close are the answers you have in 6. and in 7.?

B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN SQUARE CENTIMETRES

You are now ready to develop your ability to estimate in square centimetres.

Renember the size of a square centimetre. For each of the following items, follow the procedures used for estimating in metres.

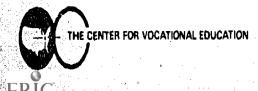
|    |                          | ,                           | How Close                             |           |  |  |
|----|--------------------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------|--|--|
|    |                          | Estimate (cm <sup>2</sup> ) | Measurement (cm <sup>2</sup> )        | Were You? |  |  |
| 1. | Index card.              | •                           |                                       | - 1       |  |  |
| 2. | Book cover.              | <del></del>                 |                                       |           |  |  |
| 3. | Photograph.              |                             |                                       |           |  |  |
| 4. | Window pane or desk top. | • ·                         | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |           |  |  |

# II. THE SQUARE METRE (m<sup>2</sup>)

# A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A SQUARE METRE

- 1. Tape four metre sticks together to make a square which is one metre long and one metre wide.
- 2. Hold the square up with one side on the floor to see how big it is.
- 3. Place the square on the floor in a corner. Step back and look. See how much floor space it covers.
- 4. Place the square over a table top or desk to see how much space it covers.
- 5. Place the square against the bottom of a door. See how much of the door it covers. How many squares would it take to cover the door?

THIS IS HOW BIG A SQUARE METRE IS!



Exercise 2 (continued on next page)

| В.        | DE    | VELO           | OP YC                | UR A             | BILI                                  | OT YT               | ESTI                    | MATE                    | IN S                 | QUAR    | E                     |                      |                 |             |                 | CE              | NTI            | ME'                     | rre | C GF                 | (Ti)                |       |         |                     |       |
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# VOLUME MEASUREMENT ACTIVITIES

Cubic Centimetre, Litre, Millilitre, Cubic Metre

| l.   | ТН                         | E CU                 | BIC CENTIMETRE (cm³)   |  |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------|--|--|
|  | A.                         | DE                   | VELOP A FEELING FOR THE CUBIC CENTIMETRE   |  |
|  |                            | 1.                   | Pick up a colored plastic cube. Measure its length, height, and width in centimetres.  | ٠  |
| ١,   |                            |                      | THAT IS ONE CUBIC CENTIMETRE!  |  |
|  |                            | 2.                   | Find the volume of a plastic litre box.  |  |
|  |                            |                      | a. Place a ROW of cubes against the bottom of one side of the box. How many cubes fit in the row?  |  |
| e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e e  | , p. s.                    |                      | b. Place another ROW of cubes against an adjoining side of the box. How many rows fit inside the box to make one layer of cubes?                                 | موضورة المالية   |
|  |                            | ٠                    | How many cubes in each row?  |  |
| يدون والمتحدد | gy probably specific const | navine enhances resp | How many cubes in the layer in the bottom of the box?  | المراجعة |
| ,  |                            |                      | c. Stand a ROW of cubes up against the side of the box.  How many LAYERS would fit in the box?   | 1  |
|  |                            |                      | How many cubes in each layer?  | •  |
|  | :                          |                      | How many cubes fit in the box altogether?  |  |
|  |                            |                      | THE VOLUME OF THE BOX ISCUBIC CENTIMETRES.   |  |
|  |                            |                      | d. Measure the length, width, and height of the box in centimetres. Lengthcm; widthcm; heightcm. Multiply these numbers to find the volume in cubic centimetres. |  |
|  |                            |                      | am v am v am = am3   |  |

Are the answers the same in c. and d.?

| B. | DEVELOP  | YOUR | ABILITY | TO | ESTIMATE | IN | CUBIC |
|----|----------|------|---------|----|----------|----|-------|
|    | CENTIMET | RES  |         |    |          |    |       |

You are now ready to develop your ability to estimate in cubic centimetres.

Remember the size of a cubic centimetre. For each of the following items, use the procedures for estimating in metres.

How Close

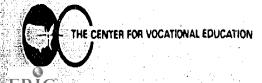
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| 2. | Freezer container.   |   |  | Partie (A. Carles and Males |
| 3. | Paper clip box.      | Marie and and an analysis and |  | Ha.                         |
| 4. | Box of staples.      | · .   |  | :<br>                       |

# II. THE LITRE (1)

#### A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A LITRE

- 1. Take a one litre beaker and fill it with water.
- 2. Pour the water into paper cups, filling each as full as you usually do. How many cups do you fill?
  THAT IS HOW MUCH IS IN ONE LITRE!
- 3. Fill the litre container with rice.

  THAT IS HOW MUCH IT TAKES TO FILL A ONE LITRE CONTAINER!



# B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN LITRES

You are now ready to develop your ability to estimate in litres. To write two and one-half litres, you write 2.5 l, or 2.5 litres. To write one-half litre, you write 0.5 l, or 0.5 litre. To write two and three-fourths litres, you write 2.75 l, or 2.75 litres.

For each of the following items, use the procedures for estimating in metres.

Estimate Measurement Were You?

- Medium-size
   freezer container.
- 2. Large freezer container.
- 3. Small freezer container.
- 4. Bottle or jug.

# III. THE MILLILITRE (ml)

There are 1 000 millilitres in one litre. 1 000 ml = 1 litre. Half a litre is 500 millilitres, or 0.5 litre = 500 ml.

# A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A MILLILITRE

- 1. Examine a centimetre cube. Anything which holds 1 cm<sup>3</sup> holds 1 ml.
- 2. Fill a 1 millilitre measuring spoon with rice. Empty the spoon into your hand. Carefully pour the rice into a small pile on a sheet of paper.

THAT IS HOW MUCH ONE MILLILITRE IS!

3. Fill the 5 ml spoon with rice. Pour the rice into another pile on the sheet of paper.

THAT IS 5 MILLILITRES, OR ONE TEASPOON!

4. Fill the 15 ml spoon with rice. Pour the rice into a third pile on the paper.

THAT IS 15 MILLILITRES, OR ONE TABLESPOON!

# B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN MILLILITRES

You are now ready to estimate in millilitres. Follow the procedures used for estimating metres.

How Close

|          |                  |               | Annual Control of the | TION CLOSE |
|----------|------------------|---------------|--|------------|
| : .      |                  | Estimate (ml) | Measurement (ml)   | Were You?  |
| 1.       | Small juice car  |               |  |            |
| <u>.</u> | Paper cap or tea |               |  |            |
| 3.       | Soft drink can.  |               |  |            |
| 4.       | Bottle           | <u></u> .     |  |            |

# IV. THE CUBIC METRE (m3)

# A. DEVELOP A FEELING FOR A CUBIC METRE

- 1. Place a one metre square on the floor next to the wall.
- 2. Measure a metre UP the wall.
- 3. Picture a box that would fit into that space.

THAT IS THE VOLUME OF ONE CUBIC METRE!

# B. DEVELOP YOUR ABILITY TO ESTIMATE IN CUBIC METRES

For each of the following items, follow the estimating procedures used before.

|    |               |   | Estimate (m <sup>3</sup> ) | Measurement (m³) | How Close<br>Were You |
|----|---------------|---|----------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. | Office desk.  |   |                            |                  |                       |
| 2. | File cabinet. |   |                            |                  |                       |
| 3. | Small room.   | t |                            |                  |                       |

Exercise 3

# TEMPERATURE MEASUREMENT ACTIVITIES

# Degree Celsius

| I.  | DE     | GREE                   | E CELSIUS (°C)  | n              |   | I IMU MA P    | Omiala/nm is: n     | NEGD BS3               |
|-----|--------|------------------------|---|----------------|---|---------------|---------------------|------------------------|
| Deg | gree C | elsius                 | (°C) is the metric measure for temperature.   | В.             | DEVELOP YOUR ABI<br>CELSIUS   | LITY TO E     | STIMATE IN D        | DEGREES                |
|     | A.     |                        | VELOP A FEELING FOR DEGREE CELSIUS e a Celsius thermometer. Look at the marks on it.  |                | For each item, ESTIMA<br>Celsius you think it is.<br>MENT. See how close<br>ments are.                          | Then meas     | ure and write th    | ne MEASURE-            |
|     | i i    | 1.                     | Find 0 degrees.  WATER FREEZES AT ZERO DEGREES CELSIUS (0°C)  |                |   | Estimate (°C) | Measurement<br>(°C) | How Close<br>Were You? |
|     |        | 2.                     | WATER BOILS AT 100 DEGREES CELSIUS (100°C)  Find the temperature of the room °C. Is the room cool, warm, or about right?  | 1.             | Mix some hot and cold water in a container. Dip your  | 9             | ( •)                |                        |
|     |        | <ol> <li>4.</li> </ol> | Put some hot water from the faucet into a container.  Find the temperature°C. Dip your finger quickly in and out of the water. Is the water very hot, hot, or just warm?  Put some cold water in a container with a thermometer.  Find the temperature°C. Dip your finger into the water. Is it cool, cold, or very cold? | 2.             | finger into the water.  Pour out some of the water. Add some hot water. Dip your finger quickly into the water. |               |                     |                        |
|     | ,      | 5.                     | Bend your arm with the inside of your elbow around the bottom of the thermometer. After about three minutes find the temperature. C. Your skin temperature is not as high as your body temperature.   | 3.<br>4.<br>5. | Outdoor temperature.  Sunny window sill.  Mix of ice and water.   | <u> </u>      |                     |                        |
|     |        |                        | NORMAL BODY TEMPERATURE IS 37 DEGREES CELSIUS (37°C).   | 6.             | Temperature at floor.   |               |                     |                        |
|     |        |                        | A FEVER IS 39°C.<br>A VERY HIGH FEVER IS 40°C.  | 7.             | Temperature at ceiling.   |               |                     |                        |



# UNIT 2

#### **OBJECTIVES**

The student will recognize and use the metric terms, units, and symbols used in this occupation.

- Given a metric unit, state its use in this occupation.
- Given a measurement task in this occupation, select the appropriate metric unit and measurement tool.

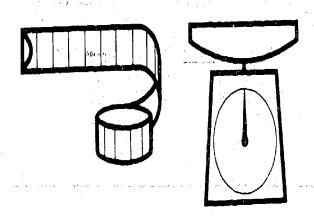
# SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

- 1. Assemble metric measurement tools (rules, tapes, scales, thermometers, etc.) and objects related to this occupation.
- 2. Discuss with students how to read the tools.
- 3. Present and have students discuss Information Sheet 2 and Table 2.
- 4. Have students learn occupationally related metric measurements by completing Exercises 6 and 7.
- 5. Test performance by using Section A of "Testing Metric Abilities."

# METRICS IN THIS OCCUPATION

Changeover to the metric system is under way. Large corporations are already using metric measurement to compete in the world market. The metric system has been used in various parts of industrial and scientific communities for years. Leading to a passed in 1975, authorizes an orderly transition to use of the metric system. As this inesses are industries make this metric changeover, employees will need to use meetric measurement in job-related tasks.

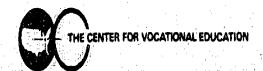
Table 2 lists those metric terms which are most commonly used to his occupation. These terms are replacing the measurement units used currently. What has of jobrelated tasks use measurement? Think of the many different kinds of headurements you now make and use Table 2 to discuss the metric terms which replace them. See if you can add to the list of uses beside each metric term.



# METRIC UNITS FOR PLUMBING AND PIPEFITTING

| Quality :                      | Unit                   | Symbol                                | Use   |
|--------------------------------|------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
|                                |                        | ,                                     | de de la constitución   |
| Linesalphanes                  | millimetre             | mm                                    | size of pipe and fiftings   |
| •                              | centimetze             | cm                                    | lengths of pipe, fixtures   |
|                                | metre                  | m                                     | 1   |
| Surface www.pard diluminations | square centimetre      | cm <sup>2</sup>                       | safe pan area, pipe chase areas, wall sleeve space, fixtures  |
|                                | square metre           | m <sup>2</sup>                        | roof drains, floor drains, intercentors   |
| Mass                           | gram                   | ā                                     | chemicals   |
|                                | kilogram               | kg                                    | fixtures, pipe, fittings, chemicals   |
|                                | metric ton             | t                                     | boilers, solar <del>parela</del>  |
| Excavative                     | cubic metre            | m <sup>3</sup>                        | trench construction, septic tarik   |
| Capacity                       | millüitre              | mi                                    | chemicals and sales ats, pressure tanks, expansion tanks  |
|                                | litre                  | 1                                     | water storage timbs, chemicals  |
| Flow rates                     | millilitres per second | ml/s                                  | pipe sizes for spacems, circulating pumps,<br>automatic gas valves  |
|                                | litres per second      | l/s                                   |   |
| Velocity: of flow              | miliditres per second  | ml/s                                  | frictional loss in pipe, fittings, equipment softener backwash requirements   |
|                                | litres per second      | 1/s                                   | Mykeller nätymmen yednnetuene   |
| Pressure                       | kilopascal             | kPa                                   | main and service pressure, hot water<br>heating, water system design; calculating<br>pump sizes (400 kPa about the "force"<br>of water from a faucet) |
|                                | kilopascals per second | kPa/s                                 | pressure drops in systems   |
| Heat energy                    | kilo joule             | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | amount of heaf necessary to produce hot water and steam   |
| Temperatuze                    | degree Celsius         | °C                                    | solar panels, bot water heating, hot<br>water heaters, boilers, steam   |





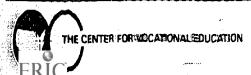
# TRYING OUT METRIC UNITS

| Towere you practice with metric un                  | , first estimate   | the measure-   |                                       | Estimate  | Actual   |
|---|--|--|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| ents of the items below. Write down y               | er best <b>guessne</b><br>Hown <b>your answ</b>  | xt to the item.<br>vers using the  | 16. Measuring cup (metric)            |   |  |
| rrect metric symbols. The more you                  | ctice, the easier  | it will be.  | 17. Milk container                    | , , , , ,   |  |
|   | Estimate   | Actual   | 18. Bucket                            |   |  |
| Lengt:  1 Pale width                                |  | i  | 19. Small box                         |   |  |
| Z Handispan   | i<br>i   |  | 20. Tool box                          |   | 146  |
|   |  |  | 21. Toilet tank                       |   |  |
| Ceiling height of this room     Width of paper clip |  |  | 22. Hot water tank                    | ,   |  |
| 5. Thickness of nickel                              |  |  | Mass<br>23. Textbook                  |   | ).   |
| 6. Width of this room                               |  |  | 24. Yourself                          |   |  |
| 7. Diameter of small pipe                           |  |  | 25. Cold chisel                       |   |  |
| 8. Length of full joint of pipe                     |  | ,  | 26. A litre of water (net)            |   |  |
| 9. Length of pipe wrench                            |  |  | 27. Roll of 50/50 solder              |   |  |
| Area<br>10. Desk top                                |  |  | 28. Bar of caulking lead              |   |  |
| 11. Classroom floor                                 |  |  | Temperature  29. Melting point of tin |   |  |
| 12. Workbench                                       |  |  | 30. Room                              |   |  |
| 13. Sheet of paper                                  |  |  | 31. Outside                           |   |  |
| 14. Parking lot                                     | And the second s | The same of the sa | 32. Hot tap water                     | per construence geographic (s. s. 1 and s. s. s.) and | The second secon |
| Volume/Capacity 15. Small bottle                    |  |  | 33. Cold the water                    |   |  |

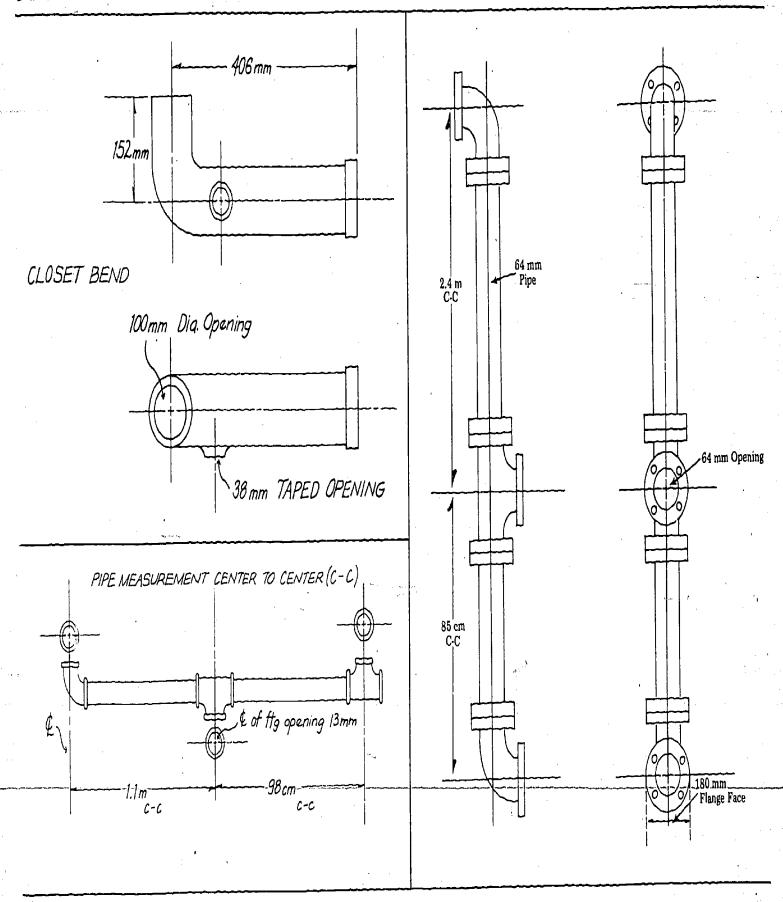


# PIUMBING AND FITTING WITH METRICS

| It is important to know what metric measurement to use. Show what measurement to use in the following situations. | 15. Amount of water in a water closet tank       |
|---|--|
| 1. Capacity of a boiler expansion tank  | 16. Flow rate for a drinking                     |
| 2. Proper spacing for horizontal pipe supports  | fountain or water cooler                         |
| 3. Center-to-center distance of assembled pipe  | 17. Temperature of hot water                     |
| 4. End-to-center distance of assembled pipe   | 18. Automatic gas valve flow rate                |
| 5. End-to-back distance of assembled pipe   | 19. Amount of heat required for steam production |
| 6. Air-pressure test assembled pipe   | 20. Area of floor drain                          |
| T. Volume of water heater   |  |
| 8. Flow rate for a supply-return fitting.   | 21. Mass of a fixture                            |
| 9. Amount of concrete for boiler setting pad  | — 22. Natural gas pressure  23. Flueliner size   |
| 10. Amount of insulation for sectional boiler   | 24. Coverage of fire sprinkler                   |
| 11. Capacity of programe cylinder   | head   |
| 12. Volume of lead pot  |  |
| 13. Rough-in height of wall hung lavatory   |  |
| 14. Proper spacing fondomestic hot and cold water lines   |  |



# METRIC PIPING DIMENSIONS



# UNIT O

#### **OBJECTIVE**

The student will recognize and use metric equivalents.

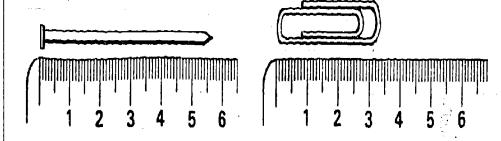
 Given a metric unit, state an equivalent in a larger or smaller metric unit.

## SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

- 1. Make available the Information Sheets (3 8) and the associated Exercises (8 14), one at a time.
- As soon as you have presented the Information, have the students complete each Exercise.
- 3. Check their answers on the page titled ANSWERS TO EXERCISES AND TEST.
- 4. Test performance by using Section B of "Testing Metric Abilities."

# METRIC-METRIC EQUIVALENTS

Centimetres and Millimetres



Look at the picture of the nail next to the ruler. The nail is 57 mm long. This is 5 cm + 7 mm. There are 10 mm in each cm, so 1 mm = 0.1 cm (one-tenth of a centimetre). This means that 7 mm = 0.7 cm, so 57 mm = 5 cm + 7 mm

= 5 cm + 0.7 cm

= 5.7 cm. Therefore 57 mm is the same as 5.7 cm.

Now measure the paper clip. It is 34 mm. This is the same as  $3 \text{ cm} + \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$  mm. Since each millimetre is 0.1 cm (one-tenth of a centimetre),  $4 \text{ mm} = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$  cm. So, the paper clip is 34 mm = 3 cm + 4 mm

= 3 cm + 0.4 cm

= 3.4 cm. This means that 34 mm is the same as 3.4 cm.

# Information Sheet 3

Now you try some.

- a) 26 mm = \_\_\_\_ cm
- e) 132 mm = \_\_\_\_ cm
- b) 583 mm = \_\_\_\_ cm
- f) 802 mm = \_\_\_\_ cm
- c) 94 mm = \_\_\_\_ cm
- g) 1400 mm = \_\_\_\_ cm
- d) 680 mm = \_\_\_\_ cm
- h) 2 307 mm = \_\_\_\_ cm

Exercise 8



# Metres, Centimetres, and Millimetres

There are 100 centimetres in one metre. Thus,

 $2 m = 2 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 200 \text{ cm}$ .

 $3m = 3 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 300 \text{ cm}$ .

 $8 m = 8 \times 100 \text{ cm} = 800 \text{ cm}$ 

36 m = 36 x 100 cm = 3600 cm.

There are 1 000 millimetres in one metre, so

2 m = 2 x 1 000 mm = 2 000 mm.

3 m = 3 x 1 000 mm = 3 000 mm.

 $6 \, \text{m} = 6 \, \text{x} \, 1 \, 000 \, \text{mm} = 6 \, 000 \, \text{mm}$ 

24 m = 24 x 1 000 mm = 24 000 mm.

From your work with decimals you should know that

one-half of a metre can be written 0.5 m (five-tenths of a metre),

one-fourth of a centimetre can be written 0.25 cm

(twenty-five hundredths of a centimetre).

This means that if you want to change three-fourths of a metre to millimetres, you would multiply by 1 000. So

 $0.75 \text{ m} = 0.75 \times 1000 \text{ mm}$ 

 $=\frac{75}{100} \times 1000 \text{ mm}$ 

 $= 75 \times \frac{1000}{100} \text{ mm}$ 

= 75 x 10 mm \*

= 750 mm. This means that 0.75 m = 750 mm.

# Information Sheet 4

Fill in the following chart.

| metre | —centimetre—<br>cm | -millimetre-<br>mn: |
|-------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1     | 100                | 1 000               |
| 2     | 200                |                     |
| 3     |                    |                     |
| 9     |                    |                     |
|       |                    | 5 000               |
| 74    |                    |                     |
| 0.8   | 80                 |                     |
| 0,6   |                    | 600                 |
|       | 2.5                | 25                  |
|       | _                  | 148                 |
|       | 639                |                     |

# Millilitres to Litres

There are 1 000 millilitres in one litre. This means that

2 000 millilitres is the same as 2 litres.

3 000 ml is the same as 3 litres.

4 000 ml is the same as 4 litres.

12 000 ml is the same as 12 litres.

Since there are 1 000 millilitres in each litre, one way to change millilitres to litres is to divide by 1 000. For example,

 $1000 \text{ ml} = \frac{1000}{1000} \text{ litre} = 1 \text{ litre}.$ 

 $2\,000\,\text{ml} = \frac{2\,000}{1\,000}\,\text{litres} = 2\,\text{litres}.$ 

And, as a final example,

 $28\ 000\ \text{ml} = \frac{28\ 000}{1\ 000}\ \text{litres} = 28\ \text{litres}.$ 

What if something holds 500 ml? How many litres is this? This is worked the same way.

 $500 \text{ ml} = \frac{500}{1000} \text{ litre} = 0.5 \text{ litre (five-tenths of a litre )}$ . So 500 ml is the same as one-half (0.5) of a litre.

Change 57 millilitres to litres.

57 ml =  $\frac{57}{1000}$  litre = 0.057 litre (fifty-seven thousandths of a litre).

# Information Sheet 5

Now you try some. Complete the following chart.

| millilitres<br>(ml) | litres<br>(1) |
|---------------------|---------------|
| 3 000               | 3             |
| 6 000               |               |
|                     | 8             |
| 14 000              |               |
|                     | 23            |
| 300                 | 0,3           |
| 700                 |               |
|                     | 0,9           |
| 250                 |               |
|                     | 0.17          |
| 275                 |               |
|                     |               |

# Litres to Millilitres

What do you do if you need to change litres to millilitres? Remember, there are 1 000 millilitres in one litre, or 1 litre = 1 000 ml.

So,

2 litres =  $2 \times 1000 \text{ ml} = 2000 \text{ ml}$ .

7 litres =  $7 \times 1000 \text{ ml} = 7000 \text{ ml}$ .

13 litres = 13 x 1 000 ml = 13 000 ml,

 $0.65 \text{ litre} = 0.65 \times 1000 \text{ ml} = 650 \text{ ml}.$ 

Information Sheet 6

Now you try some. Complete the following chart.

| litres<br>1 | millilitres<br>ml |
|-------------|-------------------|
| 8           | 8 000             |
| 5           |                   |
| 46          |                   |
|             | 32 000            |
| 0.4         |                   |
| 0.53        |                   |
|             | 480               |

Exercise 11

# Grams to Kilograms

There are 1 000 grams in one kilogram. This means that

2 000 grams is the same as 2 kilograms,

5 000 g is the same as 5 kg,

700 g is the same as 0.7 kg, and so on.

To change from grams to kilograms, you use the same procedure for changing from millilitres to litres.

Information Sheet 7

Try the following ones.

| grams<br>g | kilograms<br>kg |
|------------|-----------------|
| _4 000     | 4               |
| 9 000      |                 |
| 23 000     |                 |
|            | 8               |
| 300        |                 |
| 275        |                 |

Exercise 12

# Kilograms to Grams

To change kilograms to grams, you multiply by 1 000.

Information Sheet 8

Complete the following chart.

| kilograms<br>kg | grams<br>g   |
|-----------------|--------------|
| 7               | 7 000        |
| 11              |              |
|                 | 25 000       |
| 0.4             |              |
| 0.63            | g a 100 to 1 |
|                 | 175          |

Exercise 13

# Changing Units at Work

Some of the things you use in this occupation may be measured in different metric units. Practice changing each of the following to metric equivalents by completing these statements.

| a) 500 cm of rope is              | ·<br>    |
|-----------------------------------|----------|
| b) 250 ml of solution is          |          |
| c) 5 cm diameter pipe is          |          |
| d ) 2 500 g of lead is            | r e ig   |
| e ) 120 mm pipe is                |          |
| f )0.25 litre of cutting oil is   |          |
| g ) 2 000 kg of sand is           |          |
| h )0.5 litre of concentrate is    |          |
| i )2 m board is                   |          |
| j ) 500 g of solder is            |          |
| k) 500 ml pipe compound is        |          |
| l) 0.5 t of cement is             |          |
| m) 10 m of wire is                | <u> </u> |
| n) 2.5 cm diameter pipe is        | 1.7      |
| o ) 2 400 mm wall panel length is |          |
| p) 2500 g of asbestos is          |          |

# UNIT 4

#### **OBJECTIVE**

The student will recognize and use instruments, tools, and devices for measurement tasks in this occupation.

- Given metric and Customary tools, instruments, or devices, differentiate between metric and Customary.
- Given a measurement task, select and use an appropriate tool, instrument or device.
- Given a metric measurement task, judge the metric quantity within 20% and measure within 2% accuracy.

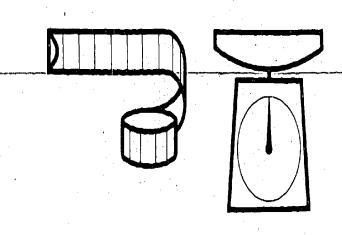
# SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

- Assemble metric and Customary measuring tools and devices (rules, scales, <sup>0</sup>C thermometer, drill bits, wrenches, micrometer, vernier calipers, feeler gages) and display in separate groups at learning stations.
- 2. Have students examine metric tools and instruments for distinguishing characteristics and compare them with Customary tools and instruments.
- 3. Have students verbally describe characteristics.
- 4. Present or make available Information Sheet 9.
- 5. Mix metric and Customary tools or equipment at learning station. Give students Exercises 15 and 16.
- 6. Test performance by using Section C of "Testing Metric Abilities."

# SELECTING AND USING METRIC INSTRUMENTS, TOOLS AND DEVICES

Selecting an improper tool or misreading a scale can result in an improper sales form, damaged materials, or injury to self or fellow workers. For example, putting 207 pounds per square inch of pressure (psi) in a boiler designed for 207 kilopascals (about 30 psi) could cause a fatal accident. Here are some suggestions:

- 1. Find out in advance whether Customary or metric units, tools, instruments, or products are needed for a given task.
- 2. Examine the tool or instrument before using it.
- 3. The metric system is a decimal system. Look for units marked off in whole numbers, tens or tenths, hundreds or hundredths.
- 4. Look for metric symbols on the tools or gages such as m, mm. kg, g, kPa, etc.
- 5. Look for decimal fractions (0.25) or decimal mixed fractions (2.50) rather than common fractions (3/8) on drill bits, feeler gages, etc.
- 6. Some products may have a special metric symbol such as a block M to show they are metric.
- 7. Don't force bolts, wrenches, or other devices which are not fitting properly.
- 8. Practice selecting and using tools, instruments, and devices.





# WHICH TOOLS FOR THE JOB?

Practice and prepare to demonstrate your ability to identify, select, and use metric-scaled tools and instruments for the tasks given below. You should be able to use the measurement tools to the appropriate precision of the tool, instrument, or task.

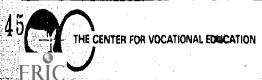
Select and demonstrate or describe use of tools, instruments, or devices to:

- 1. Order pre-mixed concrete for a sidewalk as long as your classroom and 1 m wide and 10 cm thick.
- From a piece of steel pipe 2 m in length, cut, thread, and assemble a piece of pipe and two 90° elbows to a fitted length of 1.2 m.
- Unbolt an assembled pair of standard companion flanges.
- 4. Cut a new gasket for an assembled pair of standard companion flanges and re-assemble.
- 5. Describe the difference between a Customary and a metric pipe whench.
- 6. Measure the normal water pressure of your building.
- 7. Measure the Normal Water Pressure of your building.
- 8. Unbolt an assembled pair of standard companion flanges.
- 9. Hang a lavatory the correct height.
- 10. Measure correct amount of solder to use in soldering a 2.54 cm joint.

# MEASURING IN PIPE FITTING

For the tasks below, estimate the metric measurement to within 20% of actual measurement, and verify the estimation by measuring to within 2% of actual measurement.

|     |   | Estimate  | Verify                       |
|-----|---|-----------|------------------------------|
| 1.  | Work space or bench large enough for pipe assembly.                                   |           |                              |
| 2.  | Volume of a tool box.   |           |                              |
| 3.  | Volume of a gang box.   |           |                              |
| 4.  | Amount of cast iron soil pipe necessary to extend 1 m beyond both sides of classroom. |           |                              |
| 5.  | Pipe covering for assembled pipe  |           |                              |
| 6.  | Construct two parallel lines of pipe and connect together with $45^{\circ}$ offset.   | en er tv. | and the common manes and the |
| 7.  | Insulation for fittings on assembled pipe   |           |                              |
| 8.  | Amount of radiation necessary for this room   |           |                              |
| 9,  | Find the largest available entry into classroom                                       |           |                              |
| 10. | Volume of a 680 kg pressure tank  |           |                              |
|     | ,   |           | 1                            |



Exercise 15

# TINU

#### **OBJECTIVE**

The student will recognize and use metric and Customary units interchangeably in ordering, selling, and using products and supplies in this occupation.

- Given a Customary (or metric) measurement, find the metric (or Customary)
   equivalent on a conversion table.
- Given a Customary unit, state the replacement unit.

### SUGGESTED TEACHING SEQUENCE

- 1. Assemble packages and containers of materials.
- Present or make available Information Sheet 10 and Table 3.
- 3. Have students find approximate metric-Customary equivalents by using Exercise 17.
- 4. Test performance by using Section D of "Testing Metric Abilities."

# METRIC-CUSTOMARY EQUIVALENTS

During the transition period there will be a need for finding equivalents between systems. Conversion tables list calculated equivalents between the two systems. When a close equivalent is needed, a conversion table can be used to find it. Follow these steps:

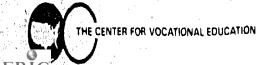
- 1. Determine which conversion table is needed.
- 2. Look up the known number in the appropriate column; if not listed, find numbers you can add together to make the total of the known number.
- 3. Read the equivalent(s) from the next column.

Table 3 on the next page gives an example of a metric-Customary conversion table which you can use for practice in finding approximate equivalents. Table 3 can be used with Exercise 17, Part 2 and Part 3.

Below is a table of metric-Customary equivalents which tells you what the metric replacements for Customary units are.\* This table can be used with Exercise 17, Part 1 and Part 3. The symbol ≈ means "nearly equal to."

| 1 cm ≈ 0.39 inch                            | 1 inch ≈ 2.54 cm                            | $1 \text{ ml} \approx 0.2 \text{ tsp}$   | 1 tsp ≈ 5 ml                           |
|---|---|--|--|
| $1 \text{ m} \approx 3.28 \text{ feet}$     | 1 foot $\approx 0.305$ m                    | $1 \text{ ml} \approx 0.07 \text{ tbsp}$ | 1 tbsp ≈ 15 ml                         |
| 1 m ≈ 1.09 yards                            | 1 yard ≈ 0.91 m                             | $1 l \approx 33.8 \text{ fl oz}$         | 1 fl oz ≈ 29.6 ml                      |
| $1 \text{ km} \approx 0.62 \text{ mile}$    | 1 mile $\approx$ 1.61 km                    | $1 l \approx 4.2 \text{ cups}$           | 1 cup ≈ 237 ml                         |
| $1 \text{ cm}^2 \approx 0.16 \text{ sq in}$ | $1 \text{ sq in} \approx 6.5 \text{ cm}^2$  | 1 l ≈ 2.1 pts                            | $1 \text{ pt} \approx 0.47 \text{ l}$  |
| $1 \text{ m}^2 \approx 10.8 \text{ sq ft}$  | $1 \text{ sq ft} \approx 0.09 \text{ m}^2$  | $1 l \approx 1.06 qt$                    | $1 \text{ qt} \approx 0.95 \text{ l}$  |
| $1 \text{ m}^2 \approx 1.2 \text{ sq yd}$   | $1 \text{ sq yd} \approx 0.8 \text{ m}^2$   | $1 \approx 0.26 \text{ gal}$             | 1 gal ≈ 3.79 l                         |
| 1 hectare ≈-2.5-acres-                      | ——1-acre ≈ 0:4-hectare                      | 1-gram-≈-0.035-oz                        | —_1-oz-≈-28.3-g                        |
| $1 \text{ cm}^3 \approx 0.06 \text{ cu in}$ | $1 \text{ cu in} \approx 16.4 \text{ cm}^3$ | $1 \text{ kg} \approx 2.2 \text{ lb}$    | $1 \text{ lb} \approx 0.45 \text{ kg}$ |
| $1 \text{ m}^3 \approx 35.3 \text{ cu ft}$  | $1 \text{ cufft} \approx 0.03 \text{ m}^3$  | 1 metric ton ≈ 2205 lb                   | 1 ton $\approx 907.2 \text{ kg}$       |
| $1 \text{ m}^3 \approx 1.3 \text{ cu yd}$   | $1 \text{ cu yd} \approx 0.8 \text{ m}^3$   | 1 kPa $\approx$ 0.145 psi                | 1 psi ≈ 6.895 kPa                      |
| •   |   |  | 1.3                                    |

<sup>\*</sup>Adapted from Let's Measure Metric. A Teacher's Introduction to Metric Measurement. Division of Educational Redesign and Renewal, Ohio Department of Education, 65 S. Front Street, Columbus, OH 43215, 1975.



# **CONVERSION TABLES**

| MILL | MILLIMETRES TO CENTIMETRES TO INCHES |         |      |     |      | INCH | ies to cen | ITIMETRES TO | ) MILLIMET     | RES   |              |     |      |      |
|------|--------------------------------------|---------|------|-----|------|------|------------|--------------|----------------|-------|--------------|-----|------|------|
| mm   | cm                                   | in.     | mm   | cm  | in.  | mm   | cm         | in.          | in.            | cm    | mm           | in. | cm   | mm   |
| 100  | 10                                   | 3.93    | 10   | 1   | 0.39 | 1    | 0.1        | 0.04         | 1              | 2,54  | 25,4         | 1/8 | 0.32 | 3.2  |
| 200  | 20                                   | 7.87    | 20   | 2   | 0.79 | 2    | 0,2        | 0.08         | 2              | 5.08  | 50.8         | 1/4 | 0.64 | 6.4  |
| 300  | 30                                   | 11.81   | 30   | 3   | 1.18 | 3    | 0,3        | 0.12         | 3              | 7.62  | 76.2         | 1/2 | 1.27 | 12.7 |
| 400  | 40                                   | 15.74   | 40   | 4   | 1.57 | 4    | 0.4        | 0.16         | 4              | 10.16 | 101.6        | 3/4 | 1.91 | 19.1 |
| 500  | 50                                   | - 19.68 | 50 - | . 5 | 1.97 | 5    | 0.5        | 0.20         | 5              | 12,70 | 127.0        |     |      |      |
| 600  | 60                                   | 23.62   | 60   | 6   | 2.36 | 6    | 0.6        | 0.24         | 6              | 15,24 | 152.4        | -   |      |      |
| 700  | 70                                   | 27.56   | 70   | 7   | 2.76 | 7    | 0.7        | 0.28         | 7              | 17.78 | 177.8        |     |      |      |
| 800  | 80                                   | 31.50   | 80   | 8   | 3.15 | 8    | 0,8        | 0.31         | 8              | 20,32 | 203.2        |     |      | ,    |
| 900  | 90                                   | 35.43   | 90   | 9   | 3.54 | 9    | 0.9        | 0.35         | 9              | 22.86 | 228.6        |     |      |      |
|      |                                      |         |      |     |      |      | *          |              | 10             | 25.40 | 254.0        |     |      | •    |
| 1000 | 1000 mm or 1 metre = 39.37 inches    |         |      |     |      |      | 12 in      | or 1 ft, = 3 | 0.48 cm or 304 | .8 mm | <del> </del> |     |      |      |

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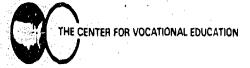


Table 3



# ANY WAY YOU WANT IT

1. You are working in a shop or on a job site. With the change to metric measurement some of the things you order, sell or use are marked only in metric units. You will need to be familiar with appropriate Customary equivalents in order to communicate with customers and suppliers who use Customary units. To develop your skill use the Table on Information Sheet 10 and give the reapproximate metric quantity (both number and unit) for each of the following Customary quantities.

|            | Customary Quantity       | Metric Quantity  |
|------------|--------------------------|--|
| a )        | 2 lb. caulking lead      |  |
| b )        | 4 qts. cutting oil       |  |
| c )        | 3/4 in. diameter pipe    |  |
| <b>d</b> ) | 10 sq. ft. of floor area |  |
| e .)       | 100 lb. cement           |  |
| f)         | 18 in. pipe              |  |
| g )        | 2 gallon_can             | i al description de manifesta de la compansa de la |
| h)         | 1 pt. of penetrating oil |  |
| i )        | 6 fl. oz. of spray paint |  |
| j )        | 1 qt. lubricating oil    |  |
| k )        | 3 miles                  | a de jeu mana njegova  |
| 1)         | 30 psi pressure gage     |  |
| m)         | 25 lb. of lead           |  |

2. Use the conversion tables from Table 3 to convert the following:

| a)             | 12 ft.    | =  | m   | f ) 90 ft. = | m   |
|----------------|-----------|----|-----|--------------|-----|
| b)             | 3 1/4 in. | Ξ, | mm  | g) 16 in. =  | cm  |
| $\overline{c}$ | 50 ft.    | =  | m   | h) 100 m =   | ft. |
| d)             | 2 m       | =  | ft, | i) 30.9 cm=  | in. |
| e )            | 180 mm    | =  | in. | j) 620 m =   | ft. |

- 3. Complete the Requisition Form using the items listed. Convert the Customary quantities to metric before filling out the form. Complete all the information (Date, For, Job No., etc.).

  Requisition one of each of the following:
  - a) 5 lb. can of caulking lead
  - b) gallon of cutting oil
  - c) 12 ft. of 3/4 in. copper tubing
  - d) 1 lb, roll of 50/50 solder
  - e) 60 lb. bag of pre-mixed concrete
  - f) roll of 2 in. boiler tape

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|-------------------|----------|--|--|-----|
|                   |          | Date   |  |     |
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#### SECTION A

- One kilogram is about the mass of a:
  - [A] nickel
  - [B] apple seed
  - [C] basketball
  - [D] Volkswagen "Beetle"
- 2. A square metre is about the area of:
  - [A] this sheet of paper
  - [B] a card table top
  - [C] a bedspread
  - [D] a postage stamp
- 3. The length of pipe would be measured in:
  - [A] cubic centimetres
  - [B] litres
  - [C] grams per square metre
  - [D] centimetres
- 4. The diameter of pipe would be measured in:
  - [A] millimetres
  - [B] millilitres
  - [C] kilograms
  - [D] kilometres
- 5. A standard length of steel pipe is measured in:
  - [A] cubic centimetres
  - [B] metres
  - [C] litres
  - [D] millimetres

- 6. The correct way to write twenty grams is:
  - [A] 20 gms
  - [B] 20 Gm.
  - [C] 20 g.
  - [D] 20 g
- 7. The correct way to write twelve thousand millimetres is:
  - [A] 12,000 mm,
  - [B] 12.000 mm
  - [C] 12·000mm
  - [D] 12 000 mm

#### SECTION B

- 8. A pipe 100 millimetres in diameter also has a diameter of:
  - [A] 0.1 centimetre
  - [B] 100 centimetres
  - [C] 1 000 centimetres
  - [D] 10 centimetres
- A steel boiler having a mass of approximately 1 000 kilograms would also have a mass of:
  - [A] 1 metric ton
  - [B] 100 milligrams
  - [C] 10 grams
  - [D] 1 000 litres
- 10. A pipe 20 centimetres long also has a length of:
  - [A] 2 millimetres
  - -[B]-0.2 millimetre
  - [C] 200 millimetres
  - [D] 2000 millimetres

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#### SECTION C

- 11. For measuring centimetres and millimetres you would use a:
  - [A] scale
  - [B] ruler
  - [C] pressure gage
  - [D] container
- 12. For measuring kilopascals you would use a:
  - [A] pressure gage
  - [B] scale
  - [C] ruler
  - [D] container
- 13. Estimate the length of the line segment below:
  - [A] 23 grams
  - [B] 6 centimetres
  - [C] 40 millimetres
  - [D] 14 pascals

14. Estimate the length of the line segment below:

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- [A] 10 millimetres
- [B] 4 centimetres
- [C] 4 pascals
- [D] 23 milligrams

#### SECTION D

- 15. The metric unit for liquid measure which replaces the fluid ounce is:
  - [A] litre
  - [B] cubic metre
  - [C] gram
  - [D] millilitre
- 16. The metric unit for pressure which replaces pounds per square inch (psi) is:
  - ·[A] gram
  - [B] kilopascal
  - [C] cubic centimetre
  - [D] millilitre

Use this conversion table to answer questions 17 and 18.

| m <sup>2</sup> | ft. <sup>2</sup> | ft. <sup>2</sup> | m <sup>2</sup> |
|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|
|                |                  |                  | en en en       |
| 1              | 10.76            | 1                | 0.09           |
| 2              | 21.53            | 2                | 0.18           |
| - 3            | 32,29            | 3                | 0.28           |
| 4.             | 43.06            | 4                | 0.37           |
| 5              | 53.81            | 5                | 0.46           |
| 6              | 64.58            | 6                | 0.56           |
| 7              | 75.35            | 7                | 0.65           |
| 8              | 86,11            | 8                | 0.74           |
| 9              | 96.87            | 9                | 0.84           |
| 10             | 107.64           | 10               | 0.93           |

- 17. The equivalent of 14 ft.2 is:
  - [A] 37.16 m<sup>2</sup>
  - [B] 0.93 m<sup>2</sup>
  - [C] 2.6 m<sup>2</sup>
  - [D]  $1.3 \,\mathrm{m}^2$
- 18. The equivalent of 15 m<sup>2</sup> is:
  - [A] 161.45 ft.<sup>2</sup>
  - [B] 973.06 ft.<sup>2</sup>
  - [C] 8.73 ft.<sup>2</sup>
  - [D] 97.33 ft.<sup>2</sup>

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# ANSWERS TO EXERCISES AND TEST

#### EXERCISES 1 THRU 6

The answers depend on the items used for the activities.

# EXERCISE 7

Currently accepted metric units of measurement for each question are shown in Table 2. Standards in each occupation are being established now, so answers may vary.

#### **EXERCISE 8**

| a) | 2.6 cm  | e) | 13,2 cm  |
|----|---------|----|----------|
| b) | 58.3 cm | f) | 80,2 cm  |
| c) | 9.4 cm  | g) | 140.0 cm |
| d) | 68.0 cm | h) | 230,7 cm |

### **EXERCISES 9 THRU 13**

Tables are reproduced in total. Answers are in parentheses.

### Exercise 9

|   | metre<br>m | centimetre<br>cm | millimetre<br>mm |
|---|------------|------------------|------------------|
|   | 4          | 100              | 1 000            |
|   | 1.3        | 200              | (2 000)          |
|   | 3          | (300)            | (3 000)          |
|   | 9          | (900)            | - (9 000)        |
|   | (5)        | (500)            | · 5 000          |
|   | 71         | (7 400)          | (74 000)         |
|   | 0.8        | 80               | (800)            |
|   | 0.6        | (60)             | 600              |
|   | (0.025)    | 2.5              | 25               |
| 4 | (0.148)    | - (14.8)         | 148              |
|   | (6.39)     | 639              | (6 390)          |

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# Exercise 10

| millilitres.<br>ml | litres<br>l |
|--------------------|-------------|
| 3 000              | 3           |
| 6 000              | (6)         |
| (8 000)            | 8           |
| (14 000)           | (14)        |
| (23 000)           | 23          |
| 300                | 0.3         |
| 700                | (0.7)       |
| (900)              | 0.9         |
| 250                | (0.25)      |
| (470)              | 0.47        |
| 275                | (0.275)     |

# Exercise 11

| litres<br>1 | millilitres<br>ml |
|-------------|-------------------|
| 8           | 8 000             |
| 5           | (5 000)           |
| 46          | (46 000)          |
| (32)        | 32 000            |
| 0.4         | (400)             |
| 0.53        | (530)             |
| (0.48)      | 480               |

# Exercise 12

| grams<br>g | kilograms<br>kg |
|------------|-----------------|
| 4 000      | 4               |
| 9 000      | (9)             |
| 23,000     | (23)            |
| (8 000)    | 8               |
| 300        | (0.3)           |
| 275        | (0.275)         |

#### Exercise 13

| kilograms<br>kg | grams<br>g |
|-----------------|------------|
| 7               | 7 000      |
| 11              | (11 000)   |
| (25)            | 25 000     |
| 0.4             | (400)      |
| 0.63            | (630)      |
| (0.175)         | 175        |

### Exercise 14

| a ) | 5 m                 | i ) | 2 000 mm |
|-----|---------------------|-----|----------|
| b)  | $0.25  \mathrm{ml}$ | j ) | 0.5 kg   |

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|-----|-----------|-----|-----------|
| 2)  | 50 mm     | k ) | 0.5 litre |

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|---|---|------------|----|--------|
| Ì | ) | 2.5 kg     | 1) | 500 kg |

| ¥ ) | 200 IIII | 11 / | 20 mm  |
|-----|----------|------|--------|
| g ) | 2 t      | 0)   | 240 cm |

| h) | 500 ml | p)  | 2.5 kg |
|----|--------|-----|--------|
| '  |        | • / |        |

# EXERCISES 15 AND 16

The answers depend on the items used for the activities.

# EXERCISE 17

Part 1.

| a ) | 0.90 kg    | h ) | 0.47 litre |
|-----|------------|-----|------------|
| b ) | 3.8 litres | i ) | 177.6 ml   |
| C.) | 1.905 cm   | j)  | 0.95 litre |
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| <b>a</b> ) | 0.9 m <sup>2</sup> | K ) | 4.83 km   |
|------------|--------------------|-----|-----------|
| e )        | 45 kg              | 1)  | 206.85 kP |
| f )        | 45.72 cm           | m)  | 11.25 kg  |

g ) 7.58 litres

#### Part 2.

- a) 3.66 m
- b) 82.6 mm c) 15.24 m
- d) 6.56 ft.
- e) 7.08 in.
- e) 1.00 III.
- f) 27.43 m
- g) 40.64 cm
- h) 328.08 ft.
- i) 12.16 in.
- j) 2,034.12 ft.

## Part 3.

- a) 2.25 kg
- b) 3.79 litres
- c) 3.66m, 1.905 cm
- d) 0.45 kg
- e) 27 kg
- f) 5.08 cm

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# SUGGESTED METRIC TOOLS AND DEVICES NEEDED TO COMPLETE MEASUREMENT TASKS IN EXERCISES 1 THROUGH 5

(\* Optional)

#### LINEAR

Metre Sticks
Rules, 30 cm
Measuring Tapes, 150 cm
\*Height Measure
\*Metre Tape, 10 m

\*Trundle Wheel

\*Area Measuring Grid

#### VOLUME/CAPACITY

\*Nesting Measures, set of 5, 50 ml - 1 000 ml
Economy Beaker, set of 6, 50 ml - 1 000 ml
Metric Spoon, set of 5, 1 ml - 25 ml
Dry Measure, set of 3, 50, 125, 250 ml
Plastic Litre Box

Centimetre Cubes

#### MASS

\*Rilogram Scale

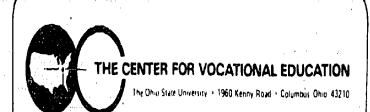
\*Kilogram Scale

\*Platform Spring Scale
5 kg Capacity
10 kg Capacity
Balance Scale with 8-piece
mass set

\*Spring Scale, 6 kg Capacity

#### TEMPERATURE

Celsius Thermometer



# SUGGESTED METRIC TOOLS AND DEVICES NEEDED TO COMPLETE OCCUPATIONAL MEASUREMENT TASKS

In this occupation the tools needed to complete Exercises 6, 15, and 16 are indicated by "\*\*."

- \* A. Assorted Metric Hardware—Hex nuts, washers, screws, cotter pins, etc.
  - B. Drill Bits-Individual bits or sets, 1 mm to 13 mm range
  - C. Vernier Caliper-Pocket slide type, 120 mm range
  - D. Micrometer—Outside micrometer caliper, 0 mm to 25 mm range
  - E. Feeler Gage-13 blades, 0.05 mm to 1 mm range
- \* F. Metre Tape-50 or 100 m tape
  - G. Thermometers—Special purpose types such as a clinical thermometer
  - H. <sup>1</sup>Temperature Devices—Indicators used for ovens, freezing/cooling systems, etc.
- ★ I. Tools—Metric open end or box wrench sets, socket sets, hex key sets
  - J. Weather Devices—Rain gage, barometer, humidity, wind velocity indicators
- \* K. Pressure Gages-Tire pressure, air, oxygen, hydraulic, fuel, etc.
  - L. 1 Velocity—Direct reading or vane type meter
  - M. Road Map-State and city road maps
  - N. Containers—Buckets, plastic containers, etc., for mixing and storing liquids
  - O. Containers—Boxes, buckets, cans, etc., for mixing and storing dry ingredients

Most of the above items may be obtained from local industrial, hardware, and school suppliers. Also, check with your school district's math and science departments and/or local industries for loan of their metric measurement devices.

Measuring devices currently-are not-available.—Substitute devices (i.e., thermometer) may be used to complete the measurement task.

Tools and Devices List



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Pokorney, Joseph L. Engineering Technology, Inc., 503 East Main Street,
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Instructional package with exercise sheets, transparency masters, and metric measuring devices. Approximately half of exercises are activity based. "Think metric" strategy. Section on metric educational aids and sources. Includes worksheets and brief sections on farm operations, secretarial and clerical, transportation, nursing and health, drafting, shop practices, building trades, and home economics.

Let's Measure Metric. A Teacher's Introduction to Metric Measurement. Division of Educational Redesign and Renewal, Ohio Department of Education, 65 S. Front Street, Columbus, OH 43215, 1975, 80 pages; \$1.50, must include check to state treasurer.

Activity-oriented introduction to the metric system designed for independent or group inservice education study. Introductory information about metric measurement; reproducible exercises apply metric concepts to common measurement situations; laboratory activities for individuals or groups. Templates for making metre tape, litre box, square centimetre grid.

Measuring with Meters, or, How to Weigh a Gold Brick with a Meter-Stick.

Metrication Institute of America, P.O. Box 236, Northfield, IL 60093, 1974, 23 min., 16 mm, sound, color; \$310.00 purchase, \$31.00 rental.

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#### METRIC SUPPLIERS

Brown & Sharpe Manufacturing Co., Precision Park, North Kingstown, RI 02852

Industrial quality micrometers, steel rules, screw pltch and thickness gages, squares, depth gages, calipers, dial indicators, conversion charts and guides.

Dick Blick Company, P.O. Box 1267, Galesburg, IL 61401

Instructional quality rules, tapes, metre sticks, cabes, height measures, trundle wheels, measuring cups and spoons, personal scales, gram/kilogram scales, feeler and depth gages, beakers, thermometers, kits and other sids.

Millimeter Industrial Supply Corp., 162 Central Avenue, Farmingdale, L. I., NY 11735

Industrial fasteners, taps, dies, reamers, drills, wrenches, rings, bushings, calipers, steel rules and tapes, feeler gages.

Stanley Tools, 600 Myrtle Street, New Britain, CT 06050

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#### INFORMATION SOURCES

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Free and inexpensive metric charts and publications, also lends films and displays.