

## FINDING VOLUME

**Volume** measures the amount a solid figure can hold. Volume is measured in terms of units<sup>3</sup> and can be measured in inches, feet, meters, centimeters, and millimeters.

- The formula for the **volume of a rectangular prism** is  $V = l \cdot w \cdot h$ , where  $l$  is the length,  $w$  is the width, and  $h$  is the height.
- The formula for the **volume of a cube** is  $V = s^3$ , where  $s$  is a side of the square.



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- The **volume of a sphere** is  $V = (4/3)\pi r^3$ , where  $r$  is the radius and  $\pi$  is 3.14.
- The figures of prisms, cylinders, pyramids, cones and spheres are all 3-D figures. The **3-D figures are made up of edges, faces and vertices**. The edge is where two faces meet. The face is the side of the figure. The vertex is the point where the edges meet.

## How to use finding volume

The **volume** of 3-D figures can be determined by using the formula that corresponds to the figure. The volumes of all figures can be determined as long as the needed information is given.

- For example, what is the volume of a cone with a radius of 6 cm and a height of 15 cm?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Ex. } V_{\text{cone}} &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)\pi r^2 \cdot h \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)(3.14)(6^2)(15) \\ V_{\text{cone}} &= \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)(3.14)(36)(15) = 565.2 \text{ cm}^3 \end{aligned}$$

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The radius of the sphere is approximately 2 m. A 3-D figure is made up of faces, edges and vertices. A rectangular prism has 6 faces, 12 edges and 8 vertices.



## Try This!

1. What is the **volume** of the rectangular prism with a length of 3m, a width of 5 m and a height of 11m?  $V = l \cdot w \cdot h$

2. What is the **volume of a triangular prism** with a length of 6 cm, a width of 7 cm and a height of 2 cm?  $V = (1/2) \cdot l \cdot w \cdot h$

3. What is the **volume of a cylinder** with a radius of 4 ft and a height of 9 ft?  $V = \pi r^2 \cdot h$



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7. If the volume of a rectangular prism is  $288 \text{ cm}^3$  and the length is 9 cm and the width is 8 cm, what is the height?  $V = l \cdot w \cdot h$

8. If the volume of a triangular prism is  $81 \text{ ft}^3$  and the width is 6 ft and the height is 3 ft, what is the length?  $V = (1/2) \cdot l \cdot w \cdot h$

9. If the volume of a cylinder is  $1230.88 \text{ m}^3$  and the radius is 7 m, what is the height?  $V = \pi r^2 \cdot h$

10. If the volume of a pyramid is  $125\text{cm}^3$  and the height is 15 cm, what is the radius?  $V = (1/3) b^2 \cdot h$

11. If the volume of a cone is  $1780.38\text{ in.}^3$  and the radius is 9 in., what is the height?  $V = (1/3)\pi r^2 \cdot h$

12. If the volume of a sphere is 113.04ft, what is the radius?  
 $V = (4/3)\pi r^3$

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