Year 5: Week 5, Day 5

Describe properties of prisms and pyramids.

Each day covers one maths topic. It should take you about 1 hour or just a little more.

1. Start by reading through the Learning Reminders. They come from our *PowerPoint* slides.

- Tackle the questions on the Practice Sheet. 2. There might be a choice of either Mild (easier) or Hot (harder)! Check the answers.
- 3. Finding it tricky? That's OK... have a go with a grown-up at A Bit Stuck?

Have I mastered the topic? A few questions to 4. Check your understanding. Fold the page to hide the answers!





Identify the value of the '4' in the following numbers:
(a) 3.407
(b) 4.821
(c) 0.043
(d) 5.104
(e) 48,739
How many times must Dan multiply 0.048 by 10 to get 48.000?
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What number is one hundred times smaller than 0.4?











Practice Sheets Answers

Pyramids (mild)

Base shape	Total number of Faces	Number of Vertices
Triangle	4	4
Square	5	5
Pentagon	6	6
Hexagon	7	7
Heptagon	8	8
Octagon	9	9

The number of faces is equivalent to the number of sides of the 2-D non-triangular face, plus 1. This is because a triangular face is attached to each side of the non-triangular face. So, for example, the square-based pyramid has four triangular faces plus the 1 square base. The number of vertices is equivalent to the number of vertices on the 2-D base shape, plus the vertex at the 'top' of the pyramid (the apex).

Challenge

A pyramid with a 10-sided base will have 11 faces and 11 vertices.

Prisms (hot)

`End' shape	Total number of Faces	Number of Vertices
Triangle	5	6
Square	6	8
Pentagon	7	10
Hexagon	8	12
Heptagon	9	14
Octagon	10	16

The number of faces is equivalent to the number of sides of the 2-D shape at each end, plus 2. This is because a rectangular face joins the corresponding sides of the 2-D shapes at each end, so it is the number of those rectangles plus the 2 'end' faces. The number of vertices is twice the number of sides of the 2-D shape at each end. The vertices of the 3-D shape can be seen as being double the number of vertices of the 2-D shape at each end.

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Challenge

A shape with 9-sided 'end' faces has 11 faces and 18 vertices; a shape with 10-sided 'end' faces has 12 faces and 20 vertices; a shape with 100-sided 'end' faces has 102 faces and 200 vertices.

We could make generalisations, using some letters to represent numbers, as follows:

'End' shape	Number of sides on 'end'shape	Total number of Faces	Number of Vertices
e.g. triangle	3	5	6
e.g. square	4	6	8
n-sided polygon	n	n + 2	double n or 2 x n or 2n

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Challenge

Create your own Venn diagram to sort these shapes: cone, cylinder, sphere, hemisphere.

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Check your understanding Questions

Always true, sometimes true or false?

- A cube is a type of cuboid
- Pyramids have 5 faces
- Prisms have a cross-section that is always the same, so a cylinder is a prism
- Cubes and cuboids have the same number of vertices

How many edges has a ...

- (a) Cuboid?
- (b) Square-based pyramid?
- (c) Cylinder?
- (d) Triangular prism?

Fold here to hide answers

Check your understanding

Answers

Always true, sometimes true or false?

• A cube is a type of cuboid

True: it is a special case of a cuboid where all faces are squares.

• Pyramids have 5 faces

Sometimes, if it is square-based. Other pyramids can have fewer (a tetrahedron) or more (e.g. a pentagon-based pyramid) faces.

- Prisms have a cross-section that is always the same, so a cylinder is a prism False since a prism must have all flat faces.
- Cubes and cuboids have the same number of vertices

True, see the first statement above.

How many edges has a ...

- (a) Cuboid? 12
- (b) Square-based pyramid? 8
- (c) Cylinder? 2
- (d) Triangular prism? 9

If struggling to visualise these, children could check by referring to, or constructing, the 3-D shapes.