In this unit, I will:

- Measure shapes to find the perimeter
- Calculate the perimeter of squares, rectangles and other rectilinear shapes
- Use a formula to find the area of squares and rectangles
- Estimate the area of different shapes

This unit builds on the concepts of area and perimeter learned in Year 4. Previous methods (including the use of concrete representations and squares) will be used as a starting point to derive numerical strategies.

Before they start this unit, it is expected that children:

- can define the concepts of area and perimeter
- can find the perimeter of shapes when all side lengths are given - can find the area of rectilinear shapes drawn on squared paper by counting squares.

National Curriculum Link - Year 5 place value

- Measure and calculate the perimeter of a rectilinear figure (including squares) in centimetres and metres
- Measure and calculate the perimeter of composite rectilinear shapes in centimetres and metres.
- Find the area of rectilinear shapes by counting squares
- Calculate and compare the area of rectangles (including squares), and including using standard units, square centimetres (cm²) and square metres (m²) and estimate the area of irregular shapes • Use simple formulae.
- Recognise when it is possible to use formulae for area and volume of shapes.

Year 5 – Area and Perimeter

Measure the perimeter of a rectangle:



Measure the perimeter of regular shapes: Measure the length (l) and count the number of sides (s) on the shape.

Perimeter = l × s

Measure the perimeter of irregular shapes:



Measure the length of each side and add them together.

metre (m)	15
kilometre (km	10s
perimeter	100s
length	1,000s
width	10,000s
rectangle	the value of each digit in a number
rectilinear	splitting numbers into smaller parts
dimensions	equal in value or amount
multiple	a number that may be divided by another a certain number of times without a remainder.
greater than (>)	a number that is larger than or bigger than another
less than (<)	a number that is smaller than or less than another



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