

# Session 29: Perimeter word problems

Session Title	Perimeter word problem
Objective	<div><div></div><div><div>1. By the end of this lesson, students will be able to:</div><div>2. Define perimeter and understand its significance.</div><div>3. Calculate the perimeter of various shapes including squares, rectangles, and irregular polygons.</div><div>4. Apply perimeter concepts to real-life situations.</div></div></div>
Concepts	<div><div></div><div><div>1. Whiteboard and markers</div><div>2. Ruler or measuring tape</div><div>3. Chart with formulas for perimeter</div><div>4. Worksheet with practice problems</div><div>5. Geometry tools (optionals)</div></div></div>
Materials required	<div><div></div><div><div>1. A measuring tape or ruler</div><div>2. Paper and pencil</div><div>3. Classroom objects (benches, desks, doors, etc.)</div></div></div>
Methodology	<div><div></div><div><div>1. Direct Instruction: The Teacher introduces the concept of perimeter with examples and diagrams.</div><div>2. Hands-on Practice: Students work on problems individually or in pairs to calculate the perimeter of different shapes.</div></div></div>
Session Duration	90 minutes

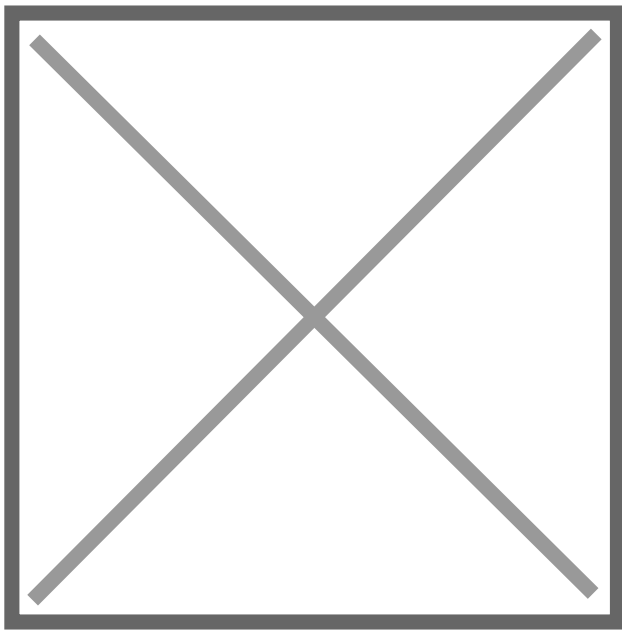
# Introduction activity (10 minutes)

1. Engage students: Ask, "What do you think 'perimeter' means?"
2. Hook Question: "If you walked all the way around your backyard, what are you measuring?"  
(Introduce the idea of perimeter.)
3. Define Perimeter: The distance around a 2D shape.
4. Show visuals of different shapes and identify their sides.

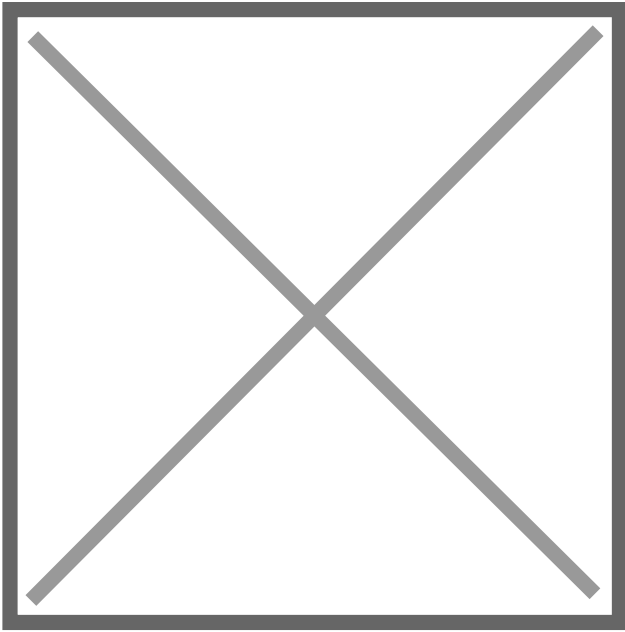
## Main Activity(minutes):

**Teach formulas: (10 minutes)**

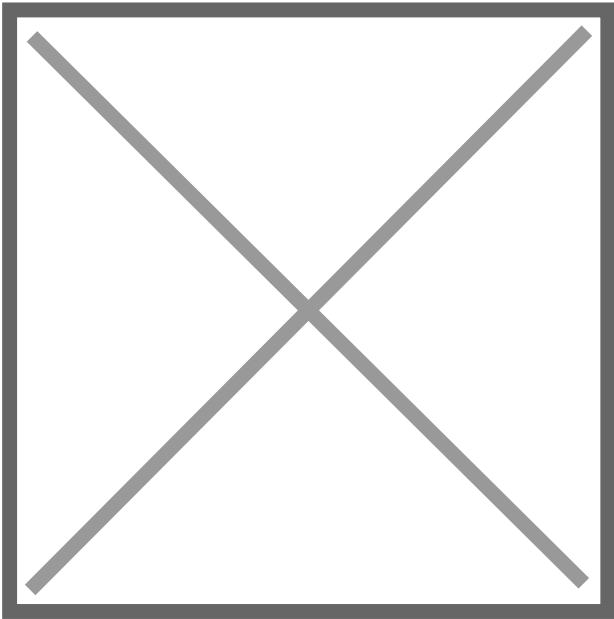
**Rectangle:  $P = 2(l + w)$**



**Square:  $P = 4 \times \text{side}$**



**Triangle:  $P = a + b + c$**



Use real-life examples: **(15 minutes)**

### **1.Fencing a garden -Problem: Rectangle Garden**

Sarah wants to put a fence around her rectangular garden. The length of the garden is 8 meters and the width is 5 meters.

**Question:**

What is the total length of fencing Sarah needs?

**Answer:**

$$\text{Perimeter} = 2 \times (\text{Length} + \text{Width}) = 2 \times (8 + 5) = 2 \times 13 = 26 \text{ meters}$$

## **2.Square Chalkboard Problem:**

A chalkboard in the classroom is square and each side measures 5 feet.

**Question:**

What is the total length of trim needed to go around the board?

Answer:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 4 \times 5 = 20 \text{ feet}$$

## **3 Triangle**

.A triangle has sides that measure 6 cm, 7 cm, and 5 cm. What is the perimeter?

Solution:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 6 + 7 + 5 = 18 \text{ cm}$$

## **Independent Practices (25 minutes )**

### **Rectangle Problem**

1.A rectangle has a length of 8 cm and a width of 5 cm. What is its perimeter?

Solution:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 2 \times (\text{length} + \text{width})$$

$$= 2 \times (8 + 5) = 2 \times 13 = 26 \text{ cm}$$

### **Square Problem**

1.Each side of a square is 9 meters. What is the perimeter of the square?

Solution:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 4 \times \text{side} = 4 \times 9 = 36 \text{ meters}$$

### **Square Tile**

One square floor tile has sides that measure 30 cm.

Question: What is the perimeter of the tile?

Answer:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 4 \times 30 = 120 \text{ cm}$$

### **C. Triangle Problem**

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Solution:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 6 + 7 + 5 = 18 \text{ cm}$$

### **2. Triangular Flower Bed**

A triangular flower bed has three sides that measure 7 feet, 9 feet, and 6 feet.

Question: What is the total length of the fencing needed for the flower bed?

Answer:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 7 + 9 + 6 = 22 \text{ feet}$$

### **5. Irregular Shape Problem**

A shape has sides measuring 3 cm, 4 cm, 5 cm, 2 cm, and 6 cm. What is the total perimeter?

Solution:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 3 + 4 + 5 + 2 + 6 = 20 \text{ cm}$$

### **6. Missing Side Problem**

A rectangle has a length of 14 m. The perimeter is 46 m. What is the width?

Solution:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 2 \times (\text{length} + \text{width})$$

$$46 = 2 \times (14 + \text{width})$$

$$46 = 28 + 2 \times \text{width}$$

$$46 - 28 = 18$$

$$2 \times \text{width} = 18 \rightarrow \text{width} = 9 \text{ meters}$$

### **Game Time (20 minutes)**

#### **Instruction -**

- Ask the children what they see in the farmhouse.
- Give them only the questions you have given them, and explain the questions in a way that will lead them to the answer.
- These problems should be divided into 4 papers and given to each group.
- Divide them into four groups and give the same topics to two groups..

1. Group 1 - farm house
2. Group 2 - classroom
3. Group 3- farm house
4. Group 4- classroom

### **Farmhouse related problems**

#### **1. Fencing or Walls**

Problem: You want to fence the entire perimeter of your farmhouse which is 100m long and 60m wide.

Question: How much fencing is needed?

$$\text{Solution: Perimeter} = 2 \times (100 + 60) = 320 \text{ } \square\square\square\square\square\square$$

#### **2. Gates**

Problem: You plan to install a gate on each side of a square farmhouse (each side 75 meters).

Question: What is the distance between each gate if equally spaced?

Solution: Perimeter =  $4 \times 75 = 300$  meters

Distance between gates =  $300 \div 4 = 75$  meters

### **3. Paths or Roads**

Problem: A walking path is to be laid around the edge of the farmhouse (perimeter = 280 meters).

Question: If it costs ₹50 per meter to build the path, what is the total cost?

Solution:  $280 \times 50 = ₹14,000$

### **4. Animal Pens or Shelters**

Problem: You plan to build 3 animal pens along one 90-meter side of the perimeter, spaced equally.

Question: How long is each pen (if no space between)?

Solution:  $90 \div 3 = 30$  meters per pen

### **5. Hedges or Trees**

Problem: You are planting trees every 10 meters along a 240-meter perimeter.

Question: How many trees do you need?

Solution:  $240 \div 10 = 24$  trees

### **6. Water Channels or Ditches**

Problem: You want to dig a drainage ditch along the full perimeter (300 meters).

Question: How much digging is required?

Solution: 300 meters of ditch

### **Classroom related problems**

## **1. Walls**

Problem: The classroom is rectangular, with a length of 8 meters and a width of 6 meters.

Question: What is the perimeter of the classroom?

Solution:

$$\text{Perimeter} = 2 \times (8 + 6) = 2 \times 14 = 28 \text{ meters}$$

## **2. Doors**

Problem: There are 2 doors in the classroom, each measuring 1.5 meters wide. If the total perimeter of the classroom is 28 meters,

Question: What is the total width of the doors compared to the perimeter?

Solution:

$$\text{Total width of doors} = 2 \times 1.5 = 3 \text{ meters}$$

The doors take up 3 meters of the perimeter.

## **3. Windows**

Problem: There are 4 windows, each 2 meters wide, placed along the perimeter of the classroom.

Question: What is the total width of all the windows?

Solution:

$$\text{Total width of windows} = 4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ meters}$$

## **4. Blackboard/Whiteboard**

Problem: The classroom has a whiteboard that is 3 meters wide. If you want to place a frame around the whiteboard,

Question: What is the perimeter of the frame?



Solution:

Perimeter =  $2 \times (3 + 1) = 2 \times 4 = 8$  meters (assuming a 1-meter height for the whiteboard).

## **5. Decorations or Charts**

Problem: You plan to hang charts along 3 walls, with each wall being 5 meters long.

Question: What is the total length of the walls where charts will be hung?

Solution:

Total length =  $3 \times 5 = 15$  meter

The team that completes the problems first will win

# Review Questions (5 minutes)

# Follow up Task (5 minutes)

## **Home Work**

Rectangle Garden

Lena is planting a rectangular garden that is 9 meters long and 6 meters wide.

Question: How much fencing will she need to go around the garden?

Answer:

Perimeter =  $2 \times (9 + 6) = 2 \times 15 = 30$  meters

# Expected learning outcome

## **Knowledge building**

- Formulas for Perimeter
- Definition of Perimeter
- Properties of Shapes

## **Skill building**

- Reading and Understanding Word Problems
- Calculation Accuracy
- Choosing the Right Formula

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