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## VOLUME of Rectangular Prisms

- Volume is the measure of $\qquad$ occupied by a solid region. **The formula for the volume of a rectangular prism is:**

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l=\text { length } \quad w=\text { width } \quad h=\text { height }
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## Study Tip:

When measuring volume, the units will be "cubed." A cubic centimeter $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{3}\right)$ is a cube whose edges all measure 1 centimeter.


## Examples:

Find the volume of each rectangular prism. Round to the nearest tenth if necessary.
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3. Find the volume of a fish tank that is 8 feet long and 5 feet wide, if the height is 5.5 feet?

You try!!
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5. A rectangular prism measuring 10 m and 7 m along the base and 12 m tall.
6. A square prism measuring 6 km along each edge of the base and 5 km tall.
7. A cube measuring 9 in along each edge.
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## 12-2 Study Guide and Intervention Volume of Rectangular Prisms

The volume of a solid is the measure of space occupied by it. It is measured in cubic units such as cubic centimeters $\left(\mathrm{cm}^{3}\right)$ or cubic inches $\left(\right.$ in $\left.^{3}\right)$. The volume of the figure at the right can be shown using cubes.


The bottom layer, or base, has $4 \cdot 3$ or 12 cubes.


There are two layers.

It takes $12 \cdot 2$ or 24 cubes to fill the box. So, the volume of the box is 24 cubic meters.
A rectangular prism is a solid figure that has two parallel and congruent sides, or bases, that are rectangles. To find the volume of a rectangular prism, multiply the area of the base and the height, or find the product of the length $\ell$, the width $w$, and the height $h$.
$V=B h$ or $V=\ell w h$

## EXAMPLE 1 Find the volume of the rectangular prism.

$V=\ell w h \quad$ Volume of a rectangular prism
$V=5 \cdot 6 \cdot 8 \quad$ Replace $\ell$ with $5, w$ with 6 , and $h$ with 8 .
$V=240 \quad$ Multiply.
The volume is 240 cubic inches.


## EXERCISES

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