Geometry Lesson 59

Objective: TSW find surface area and volume of prisms.

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- The total area of all the faces and curved surfaces of a

solid. The surface area of the pentagonal prism shown in the diagram, for example, is the sum of the area of the two pentagons and the five rectangles that compose the prism.

- The sum of the areas of the lateral faces of a prism or pyramid, or the surface area, excluding the base(s), of the lateral surface of a cylinder or cone. In the diagram, the lateral area of the pentagonal prism is the sum of the area of all the rectangular faces.

Lateral Area of a Prism - The lateral area L of a prism can be found using the following formula, where p is the perimeter of the base and *h* is the prism's height.

Example 1 Finding Lateral Area of a Prism Find the lateral area of the regular hexagonal prism. SOLUTION

Surface area of a prism can be calculated by finding the sum of the areas of each face. Sometimes it is easiest to first determine the lateral surface area and then add the area of the two bases to the lateral surface area.

Surface Area of a Prism - The surface area of a prism is the sum of the lateral area and the area of the two bases, where *B* is the area of a base.

Example 2 Finding Surface Area of a Prism Find the surface area of the regular pentagonal prism. SOLUTION







base

base

1

lateral

faces

lateral

edges

Surface area can be considered as the number of square units it takes to exactly cover the outside of a solid. Volume is the number of unit cubes of a given size that will exactly fill the interior of a solid.

Volume of a Prism - The volume of a prism can be found using the formula below, where *B* is the area of the base and *h* is the height of the prism.

A right prism is a prism whose lateral faces are all rectangles and whose lateral edges are perpendicular to both bases. In a right prism the height is the length of one edge that separates the bases.

Example 3 Finding the Volume of a Right Prism Find the volume of the right prism. SOLUTION



The surface area and the volume of an oblique prism are found using the same formulas that are used with a right prism. Instead of using the height of a lateral edge of the prism, an altitude of the prism must be used. An altitude of a prism is a segment that is perpendicular to, and has its endpoints on, the planes of the bases.

Example 4 Finding the Volume of an Oblique Prism Find the volume of the oblique prism shown. SOLUTION



8 ft

12 ft

9 ft

δ ft

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Example 5 Application: Packaging Rick has a gift that he needs to wrap. He has 15 square feet of wrapping paper. Does Rick have enough wrapping paper to cover the gift shown in the diagram? SOLUTION



You Try!!!! Use the figure at right to answer problems a and b. a.Find the lateral area of the prism.

b.Find the surface area of the prism.

c.Find the volume of the right prism.

d.Find the volume of the oblique prism.





