

Growing Your Vocabulary

A Presentations: Introduction



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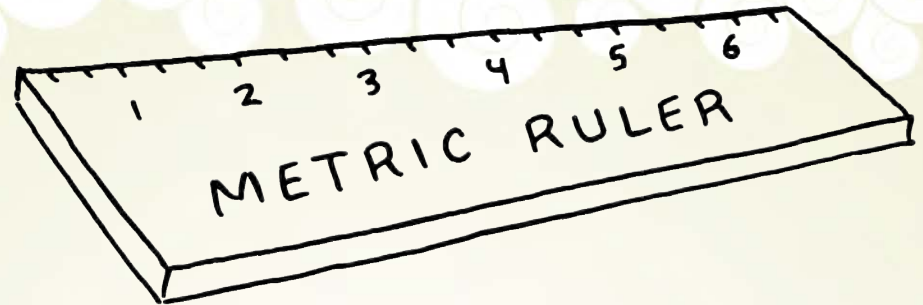
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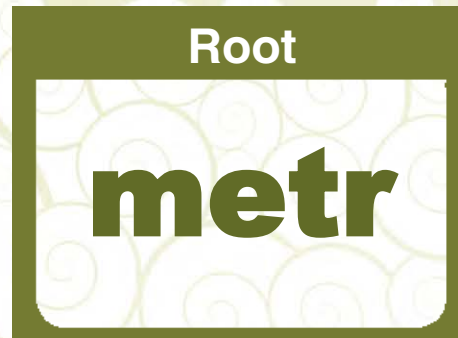
Chapter 1

Measuring Up

We measure things all the time. How hot is it outside? What is the distance from home to school? How tall are you?

In this chapter, you'll learn words that have to do with **measurement**.





The Greek word **METRON** means “measure.”

The root **METR** comes from the word **METRON**.



PREFIX ALARM!

The prefix **centi-** means “hundredth.”

Examples:

centi + **gram** = **centigram**—one hundredth of a gram

centi + **liter** = **centiliter**—one hundredth of a liter

METER

CENTIMETER

A **METER** is the basis of a system of measurement called the metric system. We use the meter to measure length.

A **CENTIMETER** is one hundredth of a meter. That means it takes 100 centimeters to make a meter.



*The stick and the dog measure exactly one **meter**, but Jamie is three **centimeters** shorter.*