Scale,

Scale Factor, and Indirect Measurment

Vocabulary

Scale:

Scale Factor:

Scale

Example 1:

On a map of Florida, the distance between two cities is 10.5 cm. What is the actual distance between them if the scale is 3 cm = 80 mi?

What two measurements are we comparing?

Set up a proportion

Cross multiply and solve for x.

Scale

Example 2

A model house is 16 cm wide. If it was built with a scale of 4 cm: 15 ft, then how wide is the actual house?

Example 3

Johnny used a map to get to his grandma's house that used a scale of 2 cm: 85 mi. If Johnny actually drove 637.5 mi, how far apart was Johnny's house from his grandma's house on the map?

Scale Factor

Example 1

A photograph was enlarged and made into a poster using a scale factor of 5. The photograph is 5 inches by 11 inches. What will the perimeter of the poster be?





Scale Factor

Example 2

A club house is 16 ft. long. On a scale model of the club house, the club house is 8 in. What is the scale of the model?

Example 3

In the scale drawing, each side is 1.9 cm long. If the drawing is going to be enlarged by a scale factor of 20, what is the perimeter of the enlarged object?



Indirect Measurement

using proportions to compute distances that are difficult to measure directly.

Steps:

- 1. Draw a picture
- 2. Set up a to solve
- 3. Solve for the _____

Indirect Measurement

Example 1

A person that is 5ft tall that casts a shadow of 4ft is standing next to a tree that casts a shadow of 10ft. How tall is the tree?

Indirect Measurement

Example 2

A 6.5 ft tall car standing next to an adult elephant casts a $33.2\,\mathrm{ft}$ shadow. If the adult elephant casts a shadow that is $51.5\,\mathrm{ft}$ long then how tall is it?

Indirect Measurement

Example 4

A fire hydrant 2.5 feet high casts a 5 foot shadow. How tall is a street light that casts a 26 foot shadow?

Example 3

If a 42.9 ft tall flagpole casts a 253.1 ft long shadow then how long is the shadow that a 6.2 ft tall woman casts?

Indirect Measurement

Example 5

Find the value of h.

