

Unit A Overview

Perimeter and Area

THIS UNIT EXPLORES perimeter and area of rectangles, triangles, and parallelograms.

Activities in this unit help students to understand how perimeter and area are measured and how they can be determined. A Big Idea for the unit is that perimeter and area are two different measurements of the same shape and that each has its own kind of unit of measurement: linear units for perimeter and square units for area.

Students will use what they learn about area in this unit again in Unit 4, where area is used as a graphic model for multi-digit multiplication.

