# Area and Perimeter

## Perimeter

To find the *perimeter* of an object you *measure* the distance around the *edge* of the object.

You measure all of the sides and then add them to get the total which is the perimeter.

E.g          7cm

3cm

The perimeter of this rectangle would be 7cm + 3cm + 7cm + 3cm = 20cm

## Area

The *area* of an object is the total surface covered by the object.

To work out the area of a rectangle or a square you must measure the length of the sides and multiply length by breadth.

Area is measured in units squared.

E.g          7cm

3cm

The area of this rectangle would be

7cm x 3cm  = 21cm$^2$