

standard length	Units of length measure height, width, length, depth, and distance. Units of <b>standard length</b> include inches, feet, yards, and miles.
inch	An <b>inch</b> is a standard unit of measurement. An inch is 1/12 of a foot, and may have originally referred to the length between the tip of the thumb and the first joint (knuckle).
foot	A <b>foot</b> is a standard unit of measurement. It is 12 inches long. It may have originally referred to the length of a man's foot. It is abbreviated "ft".
yard	A <b>yard</b> is a unit of measurement used in several different measurement systems, including imperial and standard. It is equal to three feet, or 36 inches. It is abbreviated "yd".
mile	A <b>mile</b> is a unit of measurement used to measure longer distances. It is equal to 5,280 feet. The word "mile" comes from the Latin <i>mille passus</i> , which means "a thousand paces".

**Instructions:** Print on cardstock, choosing either page 2 or 3 for metric (see pages 2 and 3 for details). Laminate and cut cards apart.

When you present this work, it's nice to show the kids a ruler with standard measurements, so they can see for themselves how long these unit lengths are. Maps can be used to show miles.

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<p>metric length</p>	<p>Units of length measure height, width, length, depth, and distance. Units of <b>metric length</b> include millimetres, centimetres, metres, and kilometres as its primary units of measurement.</p>
<p>millimetre (millimeter)</p>	<p>The <b>millimetre</b> is a unit of length in the metric system. It is equal to 1000th of a metre. It is often abbreviated “mm”.</p>
<p>centimetre (centimeter)</p>	<p>A <b>centimetre</b> is a unit of length in the metric system. It is equal to 100th of a metre. It is often abbreviated “cm”.</p>
<p>metre (meter)</p>	<p>A <b>metre</b> is a unit of length in the metric system. It is abbreviated “m”, and comes from the Greek <i>métron</i>, which means “to measure”. It is 1/1000th of a kilometre.</p>
<p>kilometre (kilometer)</p>	<p>A <b>kilometre</b> is a unit of length in the metric system. It is commonly used to measure long distances. It is abbreviated “km”, and is equal to 1000 metres.</p>

These cards are intended to be used in countries where the “re” spelling at the end of metric lengths is commonly used (“kilometre”). I have included the alternate spelling on the cards in parentheses because it’s good for kids to know that the words can be spelled differently.

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<p>millimeter (millimetre)</p>	<p>The <b>millimeter</b> is a unit of length in the metric system. It is equal to 1000th of a meter. It is often abbreviated “mm”.</p>
<p>centimeter (centimetre)</p>	<p>A <b>centimeter</b> is a unit of length in the metric system. It is equal to 100th of a meter. It is often abbreviated “cm”.</p>
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