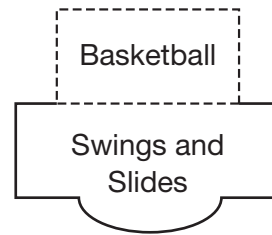
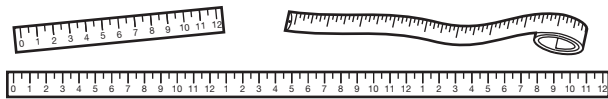


# Tools and Units for Perimeter

Mrs. Ramirez is putting tape around a section of the playground that will be used for playing basketball. She needs to measure the perimeter.



Which tool should she use?



Mrs. Ramirez could use a ruler, a yardstick, or a measuring tape.

The part of the playground that Mrs. Ramirez is measuring is large, so she should use a yardstick or a measuring tape.

Which unit should she use?

Mrs. Ramirez could use inches, feet, yards, or miles.

The perimeter is not long enough to use miles. Yards and feet are longer than inches. Since the playground is big, yards or feet would be the best choice.

In **1** and **2**, circle the better tool for measuring the perimeter of each.

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| <p><b>1.</b> A room<br/>Yardstick                      Ruler</p> | <p><b>2.</b> A curved window<br/>Measuring tape              Yardstick</p> |
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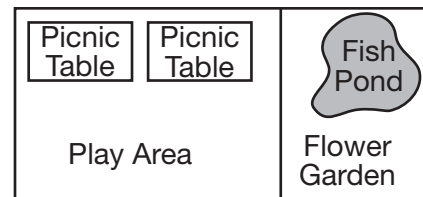
In **3** and **4**, circle the better unit for measuring the perimeter of each.

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| <p><b>3.</b> A photograph<br/>Feet                              Inches</p> | <p><b>4.</b> A football field<br/>Yards                              Inches</p> |
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In **5** and **6**, use the diagram. Circle the best answer.

- 5.** Which is the better tool for measuring the distance around the edge of the fish pond?  
Ruler                              Measuring tape

- 6.** Which is the better unit for measuring the perimeter of the play area?  
Inches                              Yards



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- 7. Writing to Explain** Why might you need to measure a perimeter with a measuring tape instead of a ruler?

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