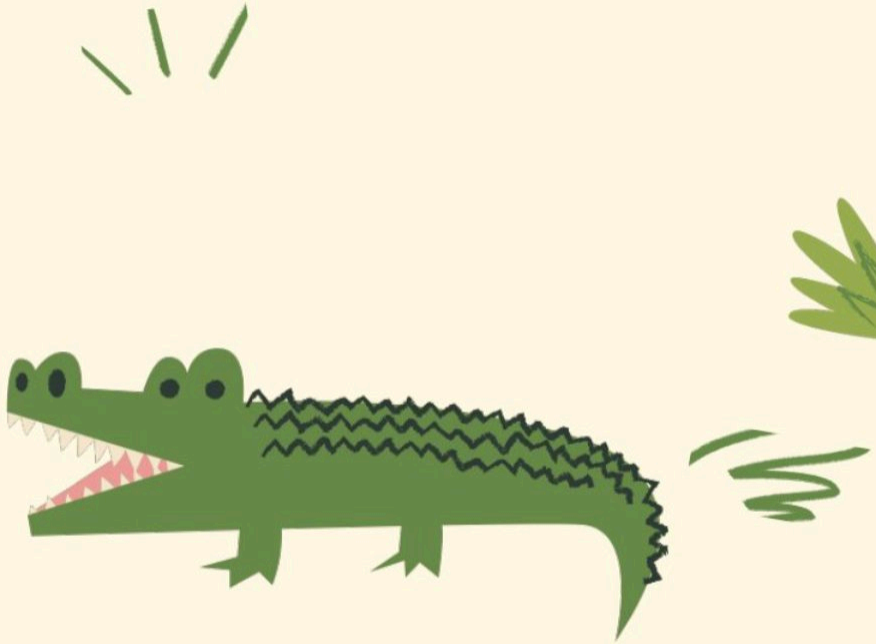




How Long Is It?

Measuring with little units



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BIG IDEA

Length is how many units span it!

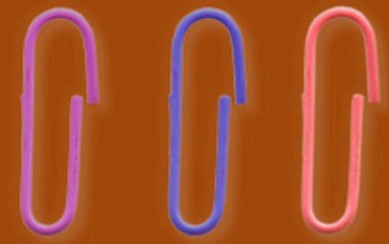




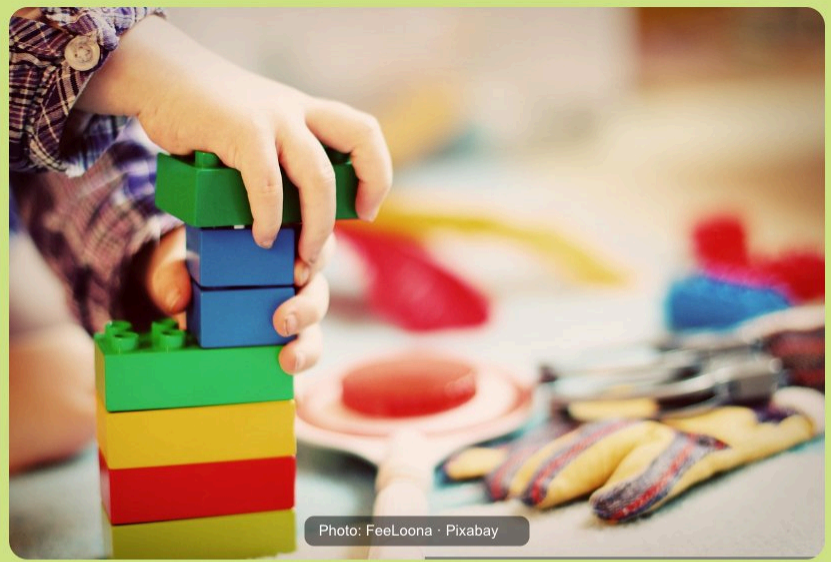
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DID YOU KNOW?

You can measure with no ruler!

Use little same things laid end to end.

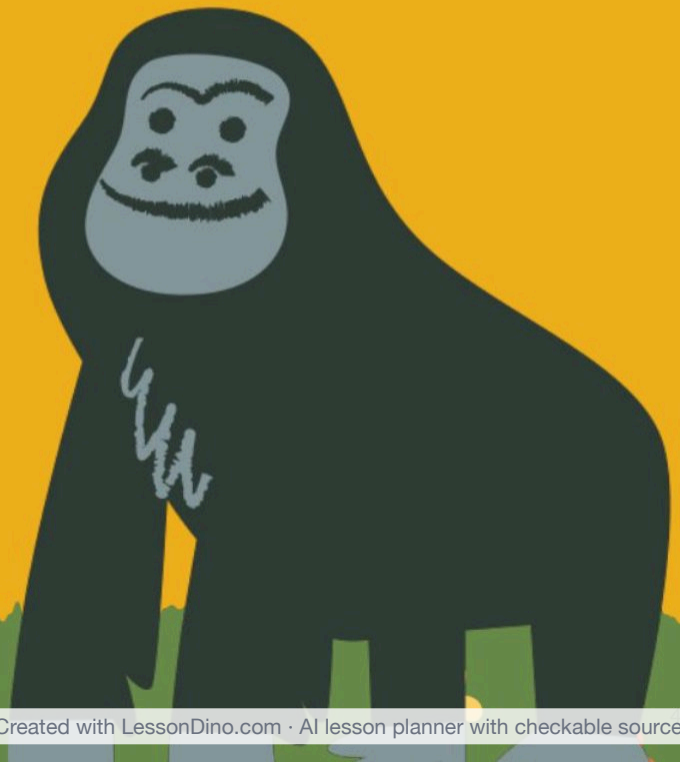




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Measure right

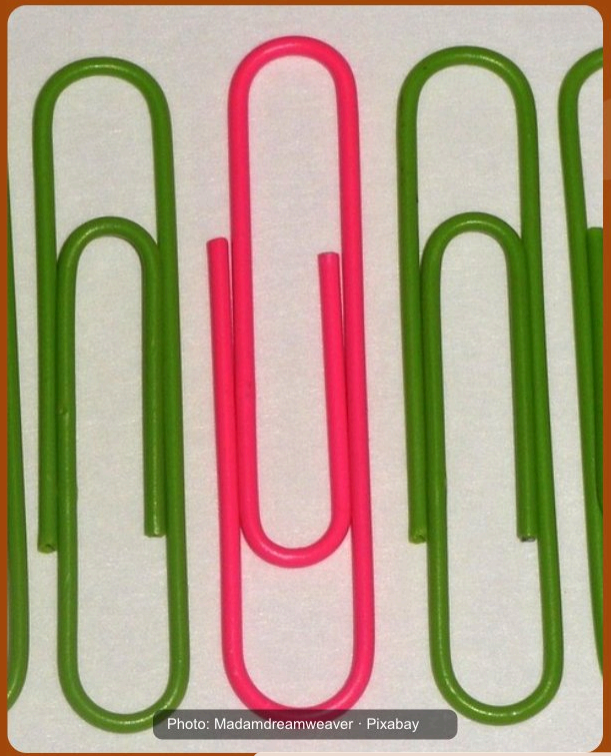
1. Pick one small unit
2. Lay end to end
3. No gaps, no overlaps
4. Count the units



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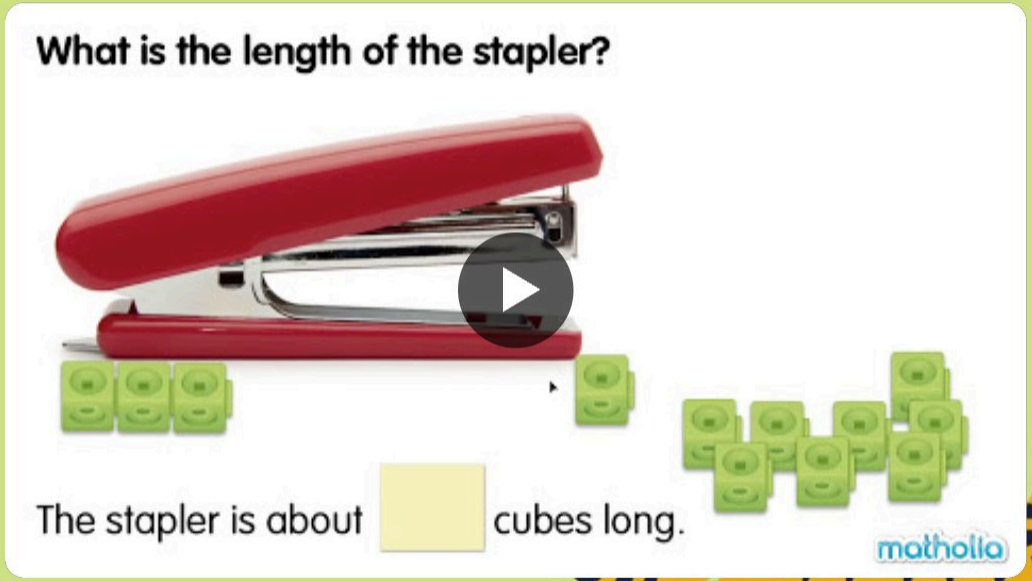
What could this be?

Little tails touching, no gaps?



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Watch and count



▶ 0:00 – 2:37

- Watch ends touch
- Count with me

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Good units



Clips

All clips same size.



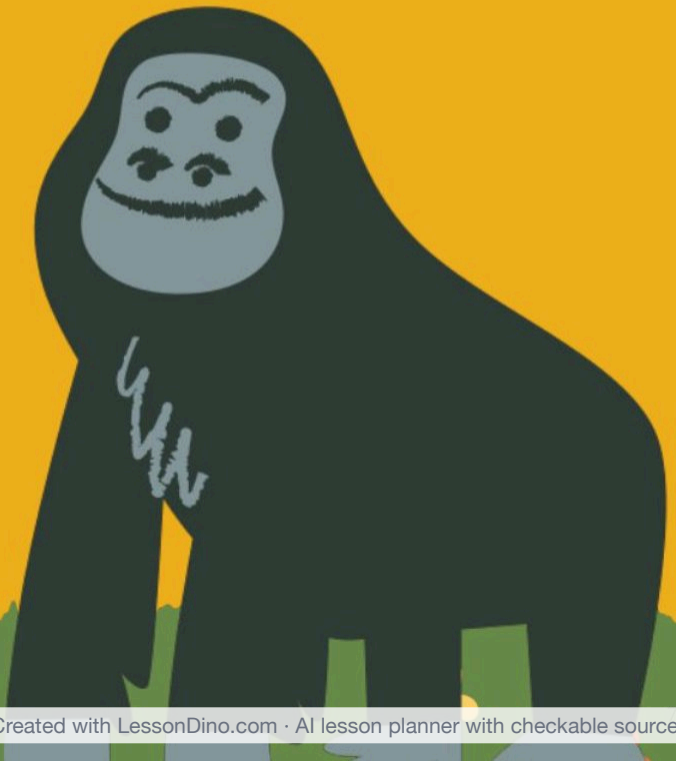
Cubes

All cubes same size.



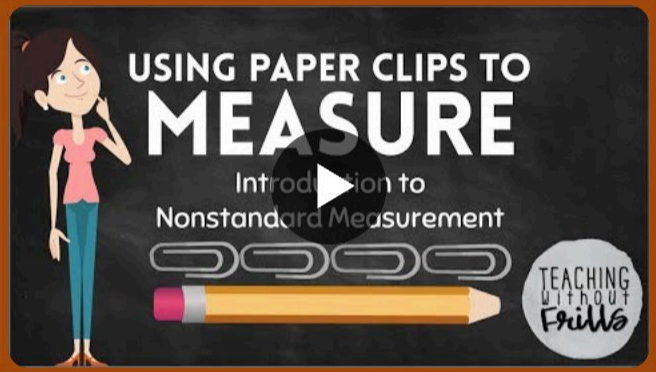
Crayons

All crayons same size.



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Clip rulers



▶ 0:00 – 1:51

- Watch the gaps go
- Say the number

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Your task

Measure your book with paper clips in pairs.

1. Lay clips end to end
2. No gaps, no overlaps
3. Count and say number

12 min

In pairs



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Check it

✅

Same

Use same-size units.

🤝

Touch

Ends just touch.

🚫

No gaps

No spaces or piles.



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Think, pair, share

Why no gaps or piles?



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Quick quiz

1. Do ends touch?
2. Can we leave gaps?
3. The book is 5 clips long. How long is it?



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