

Compound area is where a shape can be made up of other shapes.

The area of a compound shape can be found by calculating the area of the shapes from which they can be formed, and adding these together.

Here is a compound shape made of 2 rectangles.

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Calculate the area of this compound shape:

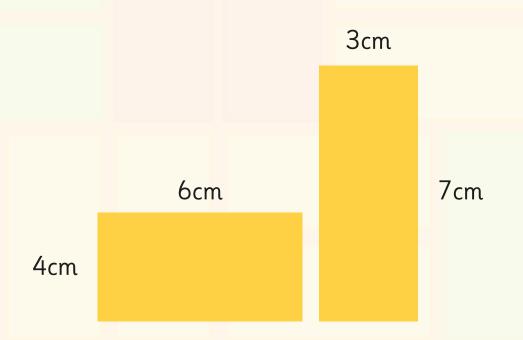
3cm

6cm

7cm

4cm

Calculate the area of this compound shape:



Area = $(4cm \times 6cm) + (3cm \times 7cm) = 24cm^2 + 21cm^2 = 45cm^2$

Calculate the area of this compound shape:

7cm 9cm

Area =
$$(6cm \times 7cm) + (5cm \times 9cm) = 42cm^2 + 45cm^2 = 87cm^2$$

Calculate the area of this compound shape:

3cm 8cm 2cm

Area = $(2cm \times 8cm) + (3cm \times 6cm) = 16cm^2 + 18cm^2 = 34cm^2$

Calculate the area of this compound shape:

5cm

10cm

5cm

4cm

Area =
$$(4cm \times 10cm) + (5cm \times 5cm) = 40cm^2 + 25cm^2 = 65cm^2$$

Calculate the area of this compound shape:

7cm 8cm

Area =
$$(8cm \times 3cm) + (7cm \times 6cm) = 24cm^2 + 42cm^2 = 66cm^2$$

Calculate the area of this compound shape:

4cm

8cm

12cm

8cm

Area = $(12cm \times 4cm) + (8cm \times 8cm) = 48cm^2 + 64cm^2 = 112cm^2$

Calculate the area of this compound shape:

9cm

15cm

7cm

6cm

Area =
$$(7 \text{cm x 9cm}) + (15 \text{cm x 6cm}) = 63 \text{cm}^2 + 90 \text{cm}^2 = 153 \text{cm}^2$$

Calculate the area of this compound shape:

16cm 4cm

5cm

13cm

Area = $(16cm \times 4cm) + (13cm \times 5cm) = 64cm^2 + 65cm^2 = 129cm^2$

Calculate the area of this compound shape:

32cm

6cm

20cm

24cm

Area = $(6 \text{cm } \times 32 \text{cm}) + (20 \text{cm } \times 24 \text{cm}) = 192 \text{cm}^2 + 480 \text{cm}^2 = 672 \text{cm}^2$

Calculate the area of this compound shape:

28cm

8cm

15cm

18cm

Area = $(28 \text{cm} \times 8 \text{cm}) + (18 \text{cm} \times 15 \text{cm}) = 224 \text{cm}^2 + 270 \text{cm}^2 = 494 \text{cm}^2$