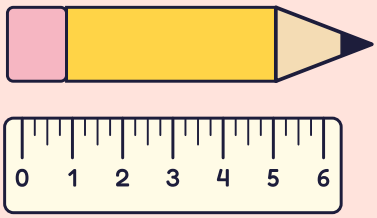
Measuring

Three things we measure, the words we use and the tools (US units)

Length and height

How long? How tall?



Words

long, short
longer, shorter
tall, taller

Tool

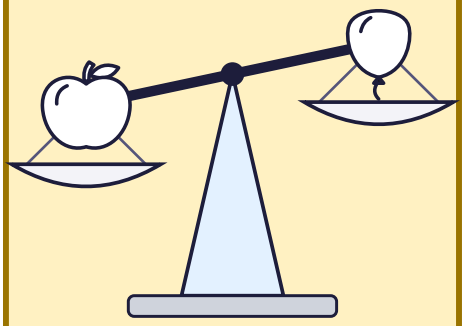
ruler or tape measure

Units

inches (in)
feet (ft)

Mass (weight)

How heavy?



Words

heavy, light
heavier, lighter
the same as

Tool

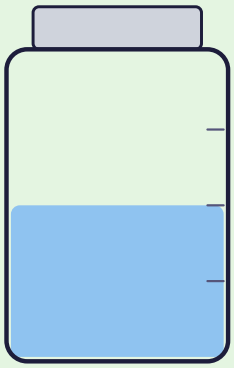
balance or scales

Units

ounces (oz)
pounds (lb)

Capacity

How much does it hold?



Words

full, empty
half full
holds more, less

Tool

measuring cup

Units

cups
quarts, gallons

1. Line up the ends before you compare.

2. Use units that are all the same size, with no gaps.

3. Say the number and the unit: 8 cm, not 8.