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Pre-Lab Study Questions

1. What are the standard units of length, mass, volume, and temperature in the metric system?

2. Why is the metric (SI) system called a decimal system of measurement?

3. What is the purpose of using prefixes in the metric system?

4. Fill in the blank lines below with the unit name, abbreviation, and property measured.

| Unit Name | Abbreviation | Property Measured |
|------------|--------------|-------------------|
| _____ | L | _____ |
| centimeter | _____ | _____ |
| _____ | km | _____ |
| _____ | mg | _____ |

5. Identify each of the following as a measured number or an exact number:

| | | | |
|---------------|-------|---------------|-------|
| 5 books | _____ | 9.25 L | _____ |
| 0.035 kg | _____ | 100 cm in 1 m | _____ |
| 12 beakers | _____ | 59.067 g | _____ |
| 1000 mL = 1 L | _____ | 8.03 mL | _____ |

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REPORT SHEET

Chemistry and Measurement

A. Measuring Length

1. What units are represented by the *numbers* marked on the meterstick?

What do the small lines marked on the meterstick represent?

Complete the following statements:

There are _____ centimeters (cm) in 1 meter (m).

There are _____ millimeters (mm) in 1 meter (m).

There are _____ millimeters (mm) in 1 centimeter (cm).

| Item | 2. Length | 3. Estimated Digit | 4. Number of Significant Figures |
|------|-----------|--------------------|----------------------------------|
|------|-----------|--------------------|----------------------------------|

Width of little fingernail _____

Distance around wrist _____

Length of your shoe _____

5. Length of line _____

Your measurement _____

Other students' values _____

How does your value of the line length compare to those of other students?

Questions and Problems

Q1 What digits in the measurements for the line by other students are the same as yours and which are different?

B. Measuring Volume**Volume of a liquid** (*include units for every measurement*)

| | Cylinder 1 | Cylinder 2 | Cylinder 3 |
|----------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 1. Volume (mL) | | | |

Volume of a solid by displacement

2. Initial volume of water _____
3. Volume of water and submerged solid _____
4. Volume of solid (3 - 2) _____

C. Measuring Mass

| Item | 1. Mass | 4. Number of Significant Figures |
|---------------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Beaker | _____ | _____ |
| Stopper | _____ | _____ |
| Evaporating dish | _____ | _____ |
| 2. Unknown # _____ | _____ | _____ |
| 3. Actual mass of unknown _____ | _____ | _____ |

Questions and Problems**Q2** State the number of significant figures in each of the following measurements:

| | | | |
|----------|-------|------------|-------|
| 4.5 m | _____ | 204.52 g | _____ |
| 0.0004 L | _____ | 625.000 mm | _____ |
| 805 lb | _____ | 34.80 km | _____ |

Q3 Indicate the estimated digit in each of the following measurements:

| | | | |
|------------|-------|---------|-------|
| 1.5 cm | _____ | 4500 mi | _____ |
| 0.0782 in. | _____ | 42.50 g | _____ |
| 48.231 g | _____ | 8.07 lb | _____ |