

**Answers**

Surface area of a triangular prism = 2 × area of one triangular base + sum of the areas of the 3 rectangular faces

**Prism 1**

Area of triangles:

$$2 \times \frac{1}{2} (5 \times 4.3) = 21.5$$

The area of the triangles is  $21.5 \text{ cm}^2$ .

The surface area of the triangular prism is  $21.5 \text{ cm}^2 + 150 \text{ cm}^2$ , or  $171.5 \text{ cm}^2$ .

Area of rectangles:

$$3(10 \times 5) = 3 \times 50 = 150$$

The area of the rectangles is  $150 \text{ cm}^2$ .

**Prism 2**

Area of triangles:

$$2 \times \frac{1}{2} (4 \times 5.7) = 22.8$$

The area of the triangles is  $22.8 \text{ cm}^2$ .

The surface area of the triangular prism is  $22.8 \text{ cm}^2 + 144 \text{ cm}^2$ , or  $166.8 \text{ cm}^2$ .

Area of rectangles:

$$2(6 \times 9) + 4 \times 9 = 2 \times 54 + 36 = 108 + 36 = 144$$

The area of the rectangles is  $144 \text{ cm}^2$ .

**Prism 3**

Area of triangles:

$$2 \times \frac{1}{2} (12 \times 13.4) = 160.8$$

The area of the triangles is  $160.8 \text{ cm}^2$ .

The surface area of the triangular prism is  $160.8 \text{ cm}^2 + 1562.4 \text{ cm}^2$ , or  $1723.2 \text{ cm}^2$ .

Area of rectangles:

$$12 \times 36 + 18 \times 36 + 13.4 \times 36 = 432 + 648 + 482.4 = 1562.4$$

The area of the rectangles is  $1562.4 \text{ cm}^2$ .