

Activity 2 Assessment

Drawing and Interpreting Scale Drawings

Content: Using Scale Diagrams to Solve Problems

Uses a scale factor to identify an enlargement and a reduction

“Since 1 cm on the scale diagram represents 10 cm in the real world, the scale diagram is a reduction.”

Uses the scale factor of a scale diagram to solve problems where the units are the same

“Since 1 cm on the scale diagram represents 10 cm in the real world, I know the scale is 1:10. So, if the actual length is 50 cm, the length on the scale diagram is 5 cm.”

Recognizes that a scale factor can be written in several ways and intentionally chooses which way to use

“The scale given is 5 cm:42 m. I can also write this as 1 cm:8.4 m or 1 cm:840 cm. I need to determine an answer in metres, so I'll use 1 cm:8.4 m.”

Writes a proportion to solve for an unknown measure in problems involving scale diagrams

“I know that the scale is 5 cm:42 m. If I know an actual measure is 85 m, I can write the proportion $\frac{5 \text{ cm}}{42 \text{ m}} = \frac{x \text{ cm}}{85 \text{ m}}$, then solve for x to find the measure on the scale diagram.”

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Competency: Representing Situations Using Scale Diagrams

Recognizes whether a reduction or enlargement is needed to represent a given situation

“I need to show a long distance in a small space, so my scale diagram will be a reduction.”

Chooses an appropriate scale factor to represent a situation using a scale diagram

“These two locations are 15 km apart. I want them to fit on my piece of paper so I will reduce the distance by using a scale of 1 cm:5 km.”

Uses scale factor to accurately draw a scale diagram to represent a situation

“The distances I need to represent are 15 km, 20 km, and 5 km. If my scale factor is 1 cm:5 km, I can represent them with lines of lengths 3 cm, 4 cm, and 1 cm.”

Uses appropriate scale to optimize diagram and recognizes multi-directional scaling

“I drew a rectangle around all my points. Then I found the distance from a side of the rectangle to each point. This helped me find the exact location when I placed the points on my scale diagram.”

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