# LENGTHS

## A COMPARING LENGTHS

#### Method Line Up to Compare Lengths

To compare the length of two objects, line them up side by side. The object that looks taller is the longer one.

Ex:



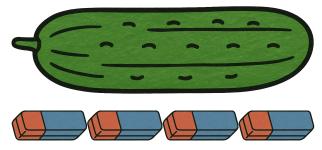
The girl is taller than the boy.

#### **B** MEASURING LENGTHS

#### Method Measure Length with Objects \_

To measure the length of an object, use small things like blocks or erasers. Line them up next to the object and count how many fit along its length.

Ex:



The cucumber measures 4 erasers long.

#### C UNITS OF LENGTH

**Discover:** We can measure length using different units like blocks or erasers. But these units are not the same for everyone. Your friend might have a longer eraser than yours, making it hard to compare. To solve this, mathematicians created a universal unit called the meter, so everyone can measure and compare lengths the same way.

### Definition Units of Length \_\_\_\_\_

• Centimeter (cm): A small unit of length, about the width of your finger.



• Meter (m): A longer unit of length, about the height of a girl.



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