

Mathematics

Introduction to Surface Area

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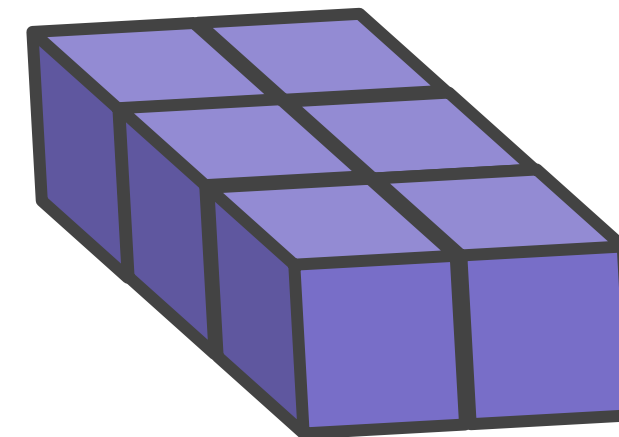
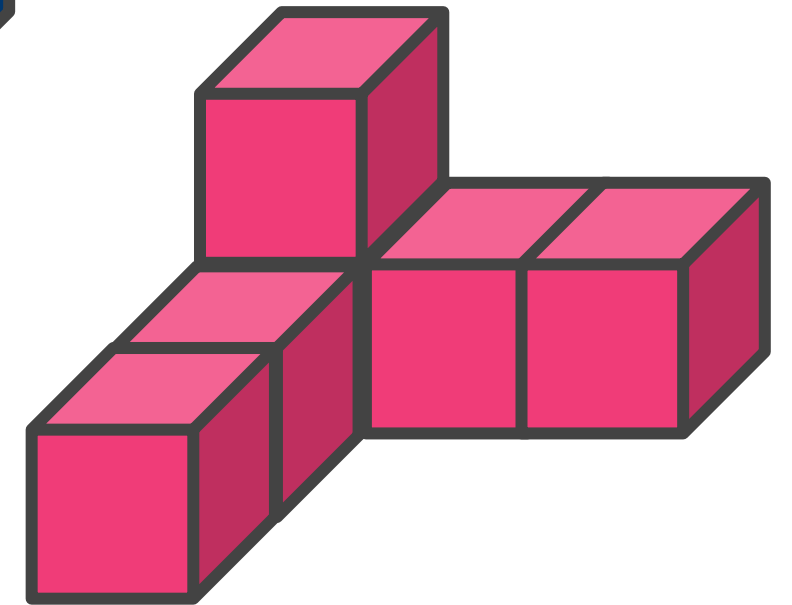
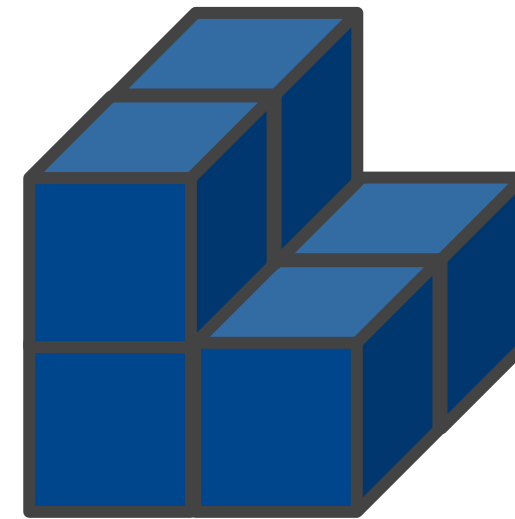


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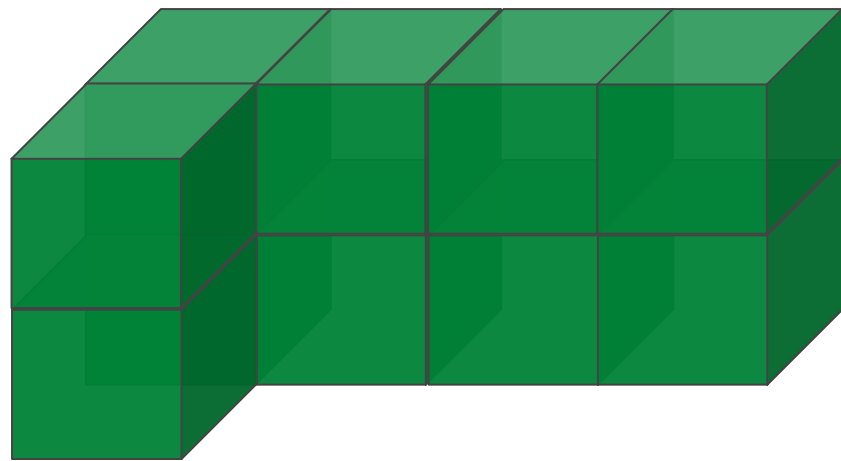
All of these have the same volume.

How many faces will be visible on each shape?

For each shape, can you sketch a shape with the same number of visible faces, but a different volume?

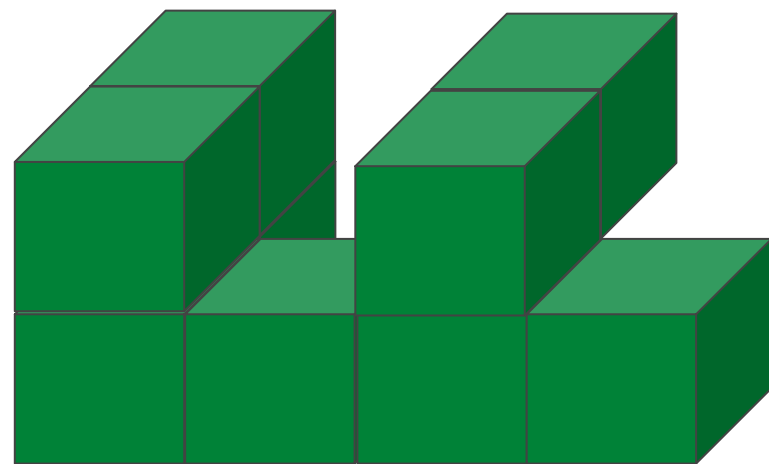


Independent task



1. Binh says this solid has a surface area of 15cm^2

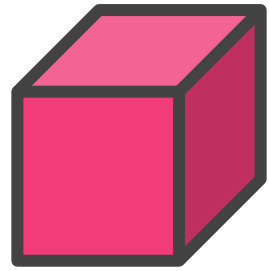
- a) What is the correct surface area?
- b) What mistake do you think she made?



- 2 a) What is the surface area of this solid?
- b) Where could you add a cube to make the surface area 40 units^2 ?



Explore



Zaki attaches 8 of these cubes together.

What is the maximum surface area?

What is the minimum surface area?

What if there are 9 cubes?

What do you notice?

