## Finding the Surface Area of Triangular Prisms

Maths

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## Surface Area of Triangular Prisms

1. Calculate the surface area.
a)

b)

2. Calculate the surface area of an equilateral triangular prism. The cross section has a base of 6 cm and a height of 5 cm . The prism has a depth of 8 cm .
3. Calculate the surface area of the isosceles triangular prism.


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5. Find the surface area of the isosceles triangular prism.

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Answers

## Surface Area of Triangular Prisms

1. Calculate the surface area.
a) $186 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
b) $303 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$

c) $770 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$


d) $525 \mathrm{~mm}^{2}$

2. Calculate the surface area of an equilateral triangular prism. The cross section has a base of 6 cm and a height of 5 cm . The prism has a depth of 8 cm .
$174 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$
3. Calculate the surface area of the isosceles triangular prism.


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Rory is wrong.
What mistake has he made?
The base ( $15 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ ) only appears once.
The correct answer is $46 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$.
5. Find the surface area of the isosceles triangular prism.

$1620 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$

