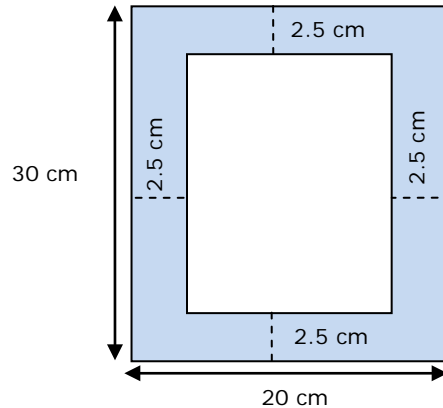


Area and Perimeter Critical Thinking Problems – Try the Skill

Name _____

Date _____

Find the area of the frame (the shaded part). All lines meet at right angles.



As the angles meet at right angle, so the figure must be a square or rectangle. Now as length and height measures are unequal it is a rectangle, area can be calculated from length X width.

To find the area of the frame we subtract the area of smaller (inner) rectangle from area of larger rectangle.

$$\text{Area of larger rectangle} = 30 \text{ cm} \times 20 \text{ cm} = 600 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{The longer side of inner rectangle} = 30 \text{ cm} - (2.5 \text{ cm} + 2.5 \text{ cm}) = 25 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{The shorter side of inner rectangle} = 20 - (2.5 \text{ cm} + 2.5 \text{ cm}) = 15 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Now that we have both sides of inner rectangle, thus area of smaller rectangle} \\ = 15 \text{ cm} \times 25 \text{ cm} = 375 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\text{Area of shaded region} = 600 \text{ cm}^2 - 375 \text{ cm}^2 = 225 \text{ cm}^2$$

Answer: 225 cm²

Practice problems

Find area of shaded region.

	1	$a = 13 \text{ in}$ $b = 5.5 \text{ in}$ $c = d = 1 \text{ in}$
	2	$a = 15 \text{ in}$ $b = 7 \text{ in}$ $c = d = 2.5 \text{ in}$