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MY Homework Hand Estin

Lesson 3

Hands On: Estimate and Measure Mass

Homework Helper



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Gordon wants to measure the mass of his German shepherd. Is it more reasonable for Gordon to measure his dog's mass in grams or kilograms?

A paper clip has a mass of about 1 gram. A textbook has a mass of about 1 kilogram.

Because Gordon's dog is large, it does not make sense to measure its mass in grams. It is more reasonable for Gordon to measure his dog's mass in kilograms.

Practice

Circle the better unit to measure each mass.

- 1. bowling ball
- 2. zebra

3. cell phone

- gram kilogram
- gram kilogram
- gram kilogram

- **4.** laptop computer
- **5.** pair of socks
- **6.** a marble

- gram kilogram
- gram kilogram
- gram kilogram

Circle the better estimate for each mass.

7.



8.



4 grams

4 kilograms

2 grams

2 kilograms

Circle the better estimate for each mass.

9.



20 grams

20 kilograms

10.



3 grams

3 kilograms



Problem Solving

11. PRACTICE Use Mental Math Dylan is making a casserole that serves 4 people. The recipe calls for shredded cheese. Would it be more reasonable for Dylan to measure the mass of the cheese in grams or kilograms? Explain.

12. Paulette needs help moving her file cabinet. Is 40 grams or 40 kilograms a more reasonable estimate for the file cabinet's mass? Explain.

Vocabulary Check



Choose the correct word to complete each sentence.

kilogram mass gram

- **13.** The amount of matter an object has is its _____
- **14.** A baseball bat has a mass of about 1
- **15.** A penny has a mass of about 1