

Parent Guide to the "

Measuring Length with Tools

Today's Standard

2.MD.A1 - Measure the length of an object by selecting and using appropriate tools such as rulers, yardsticks, meter sticks, and measuring tapes.

Real-World Applications for this Standard

Measuring the length of a desk using a ruler; Using a yardstick to measure the height of a door; Measuring the length of a playground slide with a measuring tape; Using a meter stick to measure the width of a classroom

Today I Learned

Today, we learned how to measure the length of objects using tools like rulers, yardsticks, meter sticks, and measuring tapes. We practiced starting from the zero mark to get accurate measurements.

Common Stumbling Blocks

Some kids think all measuring tools give the same measurement, but they don't because of different units. Others think you start measuring from the edge of the tool, but you should start from the zero mark.

Quiz Me

- What tool can you use to measure a desk?
- Where should you start measuring on a ruler?
- Does a yardstick measure in inches or centimeters?
- What tool would you use to measure a playground slide?
- Why is it important to check the units on a measuring tool?

Help Me

Measuring length is important in real life, like when you need to know if a table will fit in your room. Use tools like rulers and start from the zero mark to get the right measurement.