

Area of Parallelogram Jan. 6/16



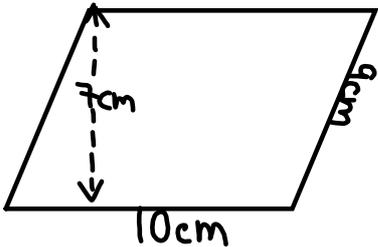
7cm  
10cm

base ↙ ↘ height

$$A_{\text{rectangle}} = bh$$

$$= (10\text{cm})(7\text{cm})$$

$$= 70\text{cm}^2$$



7cm  
10cm

$$A_{\text{parallelogram}} = bh$$

$$= (10\text{cm})(7\text{cm})$$

$$= 70\text{cm}^2$$

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Note: The base of a parallelogram meets the height at a  $90^\circ$  angle. (Do not use the diagonal height).

Note: Area is always units squared.  
For example,  $\text{mm}^2$ ,  $\text{cm}^2$ ,  $\text{m}^2$ ,  $\text{km}^2$

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example: The area of a parallelogram is  $48\text{m}^2$ .  
The base is  $6\text{m}$ .  
What is the height?

Method 1:

$$A_{\text{parallelogram}} = bh$$
$$48\text{m}^2 = 6\text{m} \times ?$$
$$h = 8\text{m}$$

Method 2:

$$A \div b = h$$
$$48\text{m}^2 \div 6\text{m} = 8\text{m}$$
$$h = 8\text{m}$$

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