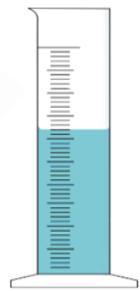
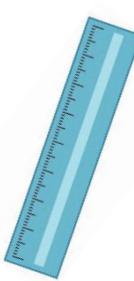


# Quick Metric System Summary



## THE MOST COMMON METRIC PREFIXES

| Prefix | Prefix Name | To Recall | Value       | Decimal | Exponential |
|--------|-------------|-----------|-------------|---------|-------------|
| k      | kilo        | --        | X 1000      | 1000    | $10^3$      |
| d      | deci        | decade    | 1/10th      | .1      | $10^{-1}$   |
| c      | centi       | century   | 1/100th     | .01     | $10^{-2}$   |
| m      | milli       | millenium | 1/1000th    | .001    | $10^{-3}$   |
| $\mu$  | micro       | --        | 1 millionth | .000001 | $10^{-6}$   |
| n      | nano        | Nanos     | 1 billionth | --      | $10^{-9}$   |

## METRIC UNITS

### Using Prefixes

decimeter (dm) = 1/10th of a meter =  $10^{-1}$  m, centimeter (cm) = 1/100th meter =  $10^{-2}$  m

### Magnitude

milli =  $1/1000^{\text{th}}$  or  $10^{-3}$ , micro =  $10^{-6}$ , nano (n) =  $10^{-9}$ , and kilo =  $1000x$  or  $10^3$

### Length (meters, "m")

1 meter = 39.37 in      1 inch = 2.54 cm      1 kilometer = 0.621 miles

### Mass (grams, "g")

28.35 grams = 1 oz      1 oz = 0.03527 g      1 lb = 2205 g      2.205 kg = 1 lb

### Volume (liters, "L")

1 L = 1.057 qt      1 mL = 1 cm<sup>3</sup> (cubic centimeter)      1 in<sup>3</sup> (cubic inch) = 16.4 mL