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2D Shape Activity

In this activity, you will make your own 2D that will then be used to understand its physical properties such as Perimeter and Area.

****Must show supporting work to justify your answer to receive full credit****

Note: for this activity we will assume the blocks have negligible thickness.

Activity 1a:

- Shape MUST contain 12 cubes
- Arrange the cubes how you wish to create a 2D shape.
- Draw and label this shape neatly on the provided graph paper.
- Calculate this shapes Perimeter (assume a unit length of 1 for each cube). Show your work and final answer on the drawing.
- Calculate this shapes Area (assume a unit area of 1 for each cube). Show your work and final answer on the drawing.

Activity 1b:

- Rearrange the 12 cubes to make a new shape
- Draw and label this shape neatly on the provided graph paper.
- Calculate this shapes Perimeter (assume a unit length of 1 for each cube). Show your work and final answer on the drawing.
- Calculate this shapes Area (assume a unit area of 1 for each cube). Show your work and final answer on the drawing.

Questions:

How do the perimeters of the two shapes compare?

How do the Areas of the two shapes compare?



Is there a configuration (i.e. shape) where perimeter is the largest? If so, make and draw this shape and calculate its perimeter.

Is there a configuration (i.e. shape) where perimeter is the smallest, If so, make and draw this shape and calculate its perimeter?

Activity 2a:

- Shape MUST contain 25 cubes
- Arrange the cubes how you wish to create a 2D shape.
- Draw and label this shape neatly on the provided graph paper.
- Calculate this shapes Perimeter (assume a unit length of 1 for each cube). Show your work and final answer on the drawing.
- Calculate this shapes Area (assume a unit area of 1 for each cube). Show your work and final answer on the drawing.

Activity 2b:

- Rearrange the 25 cubes to make a new shape
- Draw and label this shape neatly on the provided graph paper.
- Calculate this shapes Perimeter (assume a unit length of 1 for each cube). Show your work and final answer on the drawing.
- Calculate this shapes Area (assume a unit area of 1 for each cube). Show your work and final answer on the drawing.

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Is there anything special about using 25 cubes? What is it? Explain.

Problem:

You are contracted to build a rectangular garden. The homeowner has 180 feet of fencing they would like to use. What is the maximum possible garden area possible given the length on fencing provided? **HINT: Draw a Picture!!!**

