
Units of Weights and Measures

Final Assessment (Post-Quiz)

Participant Guide

The purpose of this assessment is to determine your knowledge of weights and measures history, the International Standards of Units, and your ability to convert from one unit of measurement to another.

Answer the following questions to the best of your knowledge and ability.

1. In what country is it believed that the first units of weights and measures were standardized?
 - a. Egypt
 - b. England
 - c. France
 - d. Italy
 - e. United States
2. Which of the following measurement systems is the International Standard of Units?
 - a. British system
 - b. English system
 - c. Metric system
 - d. Roman system
3. How many base units are in the International Standard of Units (SI)?
 - a. 14
 - b. 12
 - c. 9
 - d. 7
4. The Egyptian measurement that was the length of an average person's arm from elbow to the outstretched fingertips was called a _____.
 - a. Arm's length
 - b. Crown
 - c. Cubit
 - d. Throw

5. What was one of the main factors that influenced the standardization of units?
 - a. Increase in commerce and trade
 - b. Population growth
 - c. The fall of the Roman empire
 - d. World War I

6. When was the original metric system developed?
 - a. 1790's
 - b. 1840's
 - c. 1890's
 - d. 1920's

7. Which of the following industrial countries has NOT adopted the metric system as its standard measurement system?
 - a. Brazil
 - b. England
 - c. Russia
 - d. United States

8. Which of the following is NOT one of the seven fundamental units of the SI?
 - a. Ampere
 - b. Fahrenheit
 - c. Meter
 - d. Candela

9. The metric system is the standard unit of measure for science and technology. Which of the following micro-sized devices would use the metric unit $\mu\text{liters}/\text{sec}$?
 - a. Output of an insulin micropump
 - b. Resonance of an oscillating microcantilever
 - c. Tensile strength of a micro-spring
 - d. Thickness of gold thin film on a micro-sensor

10. Micro is _____ and nano is _____.
 - a. 10^3 , 10^{-6}
 - b. 10^{-3} , 10^{-6}
 - c. 10^{-6} , 10^{-9}
 - d. 10^{-6} , 10^{-12}

11. How many feet are 688 cm? (Hint: 1 in = 2.54 cm)
 - a. 0.044 feet
 - b. 22.6 feet
 - c. 146 feet
 - d. 3250 feet

12. How many picoliters in 2.04 ounces? (Hint: 1 liter = 1.057 fluid quarts U.S.)
- 60.3×10^6 picoliters
 - 60.3×10^9 picoliters
 - 60.3×10^{12} picoliters
 - 67.5×10^9 picoliters
13. How many grams in 1.3 kg?
- 13 grams
 - 130 grams
 - 1300 grams
 - 13,000 grams
14. How many nanometers (nm) in $0.5 \mu\text{m}$?
- 0.0005 nm
 - 500 nm
 - 5,000 nm
 - 500,000 nm
15. How many kiloliters (kl) in $12,500 \mu\text{m}$?
- 12,500,000 kl
 - 12.5 kl
 - 0.0125 kl
 - 0.0000125 kl

BONUS QUESTION

A brick of gold weighs 30.9lbs. For certain applications, a microcantilever may require as little as 6 attograms (10^{-18}) of gold on its tip. Microsystems fabrication uses an evaporation process to deposit gold on the wafers' surfaces. Later in the fabrication process, those wafers are patterned and etched to remove the gold, leaving only the 6 attograms of gold/cantilever (*this is called "functionalizing the surface"*). During the evaporation process, the gold coats the entire chamber, wafer surfaces, and any internal chamber components.

Assuming that only 0.02% of the gold deposited during the evaporation process actually remains on the cantilevers, how many cantilevers can one bar of gold functionalize?

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