

Lesson 2: ¿Cómo medimos el área?

Standards Alignments

Addressing 3.MD.C.5, 3.MD.C.5.a, 3.MD.C.5.b

Building Towards 3.MD.C.5

Teacher-facing Learning Goals

- Explore area by building shapes with unit squares.
- Use unit squares to measure area.

Student-facing Learning Goals

 Usemos fichas cuadradas para medir el área.

Lesson Purpose

The purpose of this lesson is for students to use square tiles to build shapes and measure area.

Previously, students compared the area of shapes informally—by cutting out and overlaying the shapes, by observing whether one shape would fit into another, and by covering the shapes with pattern blocks and comparing the number of blocks used.

In this lesson, students learn that squares can be used to measure area: by tiling all of the shape. Each square represents one unit of area, or one square unit. Inch tiles are used, but are referred to as "fichas cuadradas" // "square tiles" with students to emphasize how the tiles are used to measure square units. Students learn that shapes that don't have specific names can be referred to as "figuras" // "figures."

In the next lesson, students will take a closer look at square tiles that overlap.

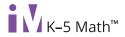
Provide inch tiles for students to use during the cool-down.

Access for:

- Students with Disabilities
 - Engagement (Activity 2)

Instructional Routines

Which One Doesn't Belong? (Warm-up)



Materials to Gather

• Inch tiles: Activity 1, Activity 2

Lesson Timeline

Warm-up	10 min
Activity 1	20 min
Activity 2	15 min
Lesson Synthesis	10 min
Cool-down	5 min

Materials to Copy

 Use Square Tiles to Measure Area, Spanish (groups of 2): Activity 2

Teacher Reflection Question

What ideas and experiences do students have about area? How did they influence students' work?

Cool-down (to be completed at the end of the lesson)

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Recubre y encuentra

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Student-facing Task Statement

Usa fichas cuadradas para encontrar el área de la figura.



Número de fichas cuadradas usadas: fichas cuadradas			
Área: unidades cuadradas			
Student Responses			
28 square tiles 28 square units			