Unit 1 Lesson 18: Surface Area of a Cube

1 Exponent Review (Warm up)

Student Task Statement

Select the greater expression of each pair without calculating the value of each expression. Be prepared to explain your choices.

- $10 \cdot 3$ or 10^3
- 13^2 or $12 \cdot 12$
- 97 + 97 + 97 + 97 + 97 + 97 or $5 \cdot 97$

2 The Net of a Cube

Student Task Statement

- 1. A cube has edge length 5 inches.
 - a. Draw a net for this cube, and label its sides with measurements.
 - b. What is the shape of each face?
 - c. What is the area of each face?
 - d. What is the surface area of this cube?
 - e. What is the volume of this cube?

- 2. A second cube has edge length 17 units.
 - a. Draw a net for this cube, and label its sides with measurements.
 - b. Explain why the area of each face of this cube is 17^2 square units.
 - c. Write an expression for the surface area, in square units.
 - d. Write an expression for the volume, in cubic units.

3 Every Cube in the Whole World

Student Task Statement

A cube has edge length s.

- 1. Draw a net for the cube.
- 2. Write an expression for the area of each face. Label each face with its area.
- 3. Write an expression for the surface area.
- 4. Write an expression for the volume.