

# ANSWERS

## AREA OF TRAPEZOIDS

Instructions: Calculate the area of the Trapezoids in different everyday situations.

### Exercise 1: The Pot

Maria has a decorative plant in a pot with a base in the shape of a trapezoid in her living room. The larger base is 30 cm, the smaller base is 25 cm, and the height is 20 cm.

**Question:** What is the area of the base of the pot?

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= (30 \text{ cm} + 25 \text{ cm}) * 20 \text{ cm} / 2 \\ &= 55 \text{ cm} * 20 \text{ cm} / 2 \\ &= 1100 \text{ cm}^2 / 2 \\ &= 550 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$



### Exercise 2: The Beige Handbag

For their anniversary, Mario gifted his wife a beige handbag. The front part has a larger base of 27 cm, a smaller base of 21 cm, and a height of 18 cm.

**Question:** What is the area of the front part of the handbag?

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= (27 \text{ cm} + 21 \text{ cm}) * 18 \text{ cm} / 2 \\ &= 48 \text{ cm} * 18 \text{ cm} / 2 \\ &= 864 \text{ cm}^2 / 2 \\ &= 432 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$



### Exercise 3: The Grater

Margarita serves the pasta by grating cheese on the table. The front side of the grater has a larger base of 13 cm, a smaller base of 11 cm, and a height of 12 cm.

**Question:** What is the area of the front part of the grater?

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= (13 \text{ cm} + 11 \text{ cm}) * 12 \text{ cm} / 2 \\ &= 24 \text{ cm} * 12 \text{ cm} / 2 \\ &= 288 \text{ cm}^2 / 2 \\ &= 144 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$



How Did You Do? 😊 😐 😞