

# **Parent Letter**

Dear Fifth Grade Families,

In Unit 11, students will work on the following fifth grade Common Core standards in the Measurement and Data (MD) domain.

| 5.MD.1 | Convert among different-sized standard measurement units within a given measurement system (e.g., convert 5 cm to 0.05 m), and use these conversions in solving multi-step, real world problems.              |
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| 5.MD.2 | Make a line plot to display a data set of measurements in fractions of a unit $(1/2, 1/4, 1/8)$ . Use operations on fractions for this grade to solve problems involving information presented in line plots. |

#### Unit 11 Concepts:

- Solve multi-step length, weight, volume, and time word problems that require unit conversion
- Make line plots to display a set of data with fractional units
- Multiply and divide to solve word problems with data from line plots

#### <u>Unit 11 Vocabulary:</u>

- US Customary & Metric systems of measurement
- Convert
- Length: inch (in), feet (ft), yards (yd); centimeters (cm), meters (m), kilometers (km)
- Weight (mass): ounces (oz), pounds (lb); grams (g), kilograms (kg)
- Liquid volume: fluid ounces (fl oz), cups (c), pints (pt), quarts (qt), gallons (g); milliliter (mL), liter (L)
- Time: seconds (s), minutes (min), hours (h)
- Line plot

### Need a review?

Have your student login to Swun Math to access lesson support videos.

Ask questions like these to help your child become a productive mathematical thinker:

- What is the problem asking you to find? What information do you need to find before you can solve the problem? What will be your first step?
- Which units are you working with in this problem? How will you convert from one unit to the other?
- What steps do you take to organize data given in fractions before you can graph it in a line plot? How do you decide what scale to use on the horizontal axis?
- Why is a line plot helpful? Find ways to use line plots at home.
- There is just a little bit of cereal left in each of the boxes in the pantry. If I was to combine the different cereals together and serve it equally to four children for breakfast, how much cereal would each child get?
- A new box of your favorite cereal contains 11<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> ounces. Knowing how much cereal is left in each of the boxes in the pantry, how much more would be needed to equal a new box?



We encourage you to talk with your child daily about what was learned in math class. Thank you for your support!





| US Customary System                | Metric System                        |  |  |
|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Length/Distance                    |                                      |  |  |
| 12 inches (in) = 1 foot (ft)       | 100 centimeters (cm) = 1 meter (m)   |  |  |
| 3 foot (ft) = 1 yard (yd)          | 1,000 meters (m) = 1 kilometer (km)  |  |  |
| Weight (Mass)                      |                                      |  |  |
| 16 ounces (oz) = 1 pound (lb)      | 1,000 grams (g) = 1 kilogram (kg)    |  |  |
| Liquid Volume                      |                                      |  |  |
| 8 fluid ounces (fl oz) = 1 cup (c) | 1,000 milliliters (mL) = 1 liter (L) |  |  |
| 2 cups (c) = 1 pint (pt)           | 1,000 liters (L) = 1 kiloliter (kL)  |  |  |
| 2 pints (pt) = 1 quart (qt)        |                                      |  |  |
| 4 quarts (qt) = 1 gallon (gal)     |                                      |  |  |

## Time

60 seconds (sec) = 1 minute (min) 60 minutes (min) = 1 hour (hr) 24 hours (hr) = 1 day

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