

Using and applying scale factor

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1. Julia's room is 4 in. long on a scale drawing. If her room is actually 16 ft. long, what is the scale?

$$\frac{4 \text{ in}}{16 \text{ ft}} = \frac{1 \text{ in}}{4 \text{ ft}}$$

$$\frac{1 \text{ in} : 4 \text{ ft}}{\text{or } 1 \text{ in} : 48 \text{ in}}$$

2. A drawing of a 78-foot long building was built using a scale of 1 in : 8 ft. What is the length of the scaled drawing?

$$\frac{1 \text{ in}}{8 \text{ ft}} = \frac{x}{78 \text{ ft}}$$

$$8x = 78 \\ x = 9.75$$

$$9.75 \text{ in}$$

3. On a map the distance between Atlanta, Georgia and Nashville, Tennessee, is 12.5 in. The scale is 1 in. = 20 mi. What is the actual distance between these two cities?

$$\frac{1 \text{ in}}{20 \text{ mi}} = \frac{12.5 \text{ in}}{x}$$

$$x = 20 \cdot 12.5$$

$$x = 250$$

$$250 \text{ miles}$$

4. A model of a skyscraper is 1.6 in. long, 2.8 in. wide, and 11.2 in. high. The scale factor is 8 in : 250 ft. What are the actual dimensions of the skyscraper?

$$\frac{8 \text{ in}}{250 \text{ ft}} = \frac{1.6}{x}$$

$$8x = 250 \cdot 1.6$$

$$8x = 400$$

$$x = 50$$

$$50 \text{ ft long}$$

$$\frac{8 \text{ in}}{250 \text{ ft}} = \frac{2.8}{x}$$

$$8x = 250 \cdot 2.8$$

$$8x = 700$$

$$x = 87.5$$

$$87.5 \text{ ft wide}$$

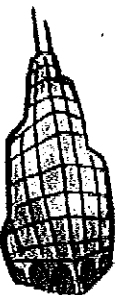
$$\frac{8 \text{ in}}{250 \text{ ft}} = \frac{11.2}{x}$$

$$8x = 250 \cdot 11.2$$

$$8x = 2800$$

$$x = 350$$

$$350 \text{ ft. high}$$



The scale factor of a drawing is $\frac{1}{4}$ in. = 15 ft. Find each actual measurement.



5. 9 in.

$$\frac{1/4}{15} = \frac{9}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}x = 9 \cdot 15$$

$$\frac{1}{4}x = 135$$

$$x = 540 \text{ ft}$$

6. 12 in.

$$\frac{1/4}{15} = \frac{12}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}x = 12 \cdot 15$$

$$\frac{1}{4}x = 180$$

$$x = 720 \text{ ft}$$

7. 20 in.

$$\frac{1/4}{15} = \frac{20}{x}$$

$$\frac{1}{4}x = 20 \cdot 15$$

$$\frac{1}{4}x = 300$$

$$x = 1200 \text{ ft}$$

8. 10.8 in.

$$\frac{1/4}{15} = \frac{10.8}{x}$$

$$x/4 = 15 \cdot 10.8$$

$$x/4 = 162$$

$$x = 648 \text{ ft}$$

The scale factor is 2 cm = 25 m. Find the length each measurement would be on a scale drawing.

9. 150 m

$$\frac{2 \text{ cm}}{25 \text{ m}} = \frac{x}{150 \text{ m}}$$

$$25x = 300$$

$$x = 12$$

$$(12 \text{ cm})$$

10. 475 m

$$\frac{2 \text{ cm}}{25 \text{ m}} = \frac{x}{475 \text{ m}}$$

$$25x = 950$$

$$x = 38$$

$$(38 \text{ cm})$$

11. 350 m

$$\frac{2 \text{ cm}}{25 \text{ m}} = \frac{x}{350 \text{ m}}$$

$$25x = 2 \cdot 350$$

$$25x = 700$$

$$x = 28$$

$$(28 \text{ cm})$$

12. 262.5 m

$$\frac{2 \text{ cm}}{25 \text{ m}} = \frac{x}{262.5 \text{ m}}$$

$$25x = 525$$

$$x = 21$$

$$(21 \text{ cm})$$