

Grade 5: Chapter 10 Vocabulary

capacity

The amount a container can hold

Example:

1/2 gallon = 2 quarts

decimeter

A unit of length in the [metric](#) system

10 decimeters = 1 meter

dekameter **(dkm)**

A metric unit used to measure length
or distance;

10 meters = 1 dekameter.

mass

The amount of matter in an object

milligram (mg)

A metric unit for measuring mass;

1,000 milligrams = 1 gram

milliliter (mL)

A metric unit for measuring capacity

1,000 milliliters = 1 liter

ton (T)

A customary unit used to measure weight

2,000 pounds = 1 ton

weight

How heavy an object is
