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## METRIC LENGTH MEASUREMENT : WORD PROBLEMS

Use the conversion chart and the examples to solve the word problems below.

| Metric Units of Length: Conversion Chart |
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| 1 centimeter $(\mathrm{cm})=10$ millimeters (mm) |
| 1 meter $(\mathrm{m})=100 \mathrm{~cm}$ |
| 1 kilometer $(\mathrm{km})=1,000 \mathrm{~m}$ |

## To convert from a larger unit to a smaller unit:

Multiply, or move the decimal point to the right based on the number of zeros.

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4 \mathrm{~km} \times 1,000=4,000 \mathrm{~m}
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To convert from a smaller unit to a larger unit:
Divide, or move the decimal point to the left based on the number of zeros.

$19 \mathrm{~mm} \div 10=1.9 \mathrm{~cm}$

| Santiago walked 500 m per day, every day <br> for one week. How many kilometers did he <br> walk all together? | Santiago walked 3.5 <br> kilometers in one week. |
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| Hyeon swam .7 km in his triathlon. <br> How many meters did she swim? | Hyeon swam 700 <br> meters in the race. |
| Leo ran around the track three times. The track <br> was 400 meters. How many kilometers <br> did he run all together? | Leo ran 1.2 <br> kilometers. |
| Nousha lined up 10 guitar picks across her desk. <br> Each pick was 12 mm wide. How many centimeters <br> long was her line of guitar picks? | Nousha's line of guitar picks was 12 <br> centimeters long. |
| Betty rode her bike down a block that was <br> 50 meters long. How many millimeters <br> did she ride? | Betty rode 50,000 <br> millimeters. |

