

Compound Shapes — Cheat Sheet

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1. Split the shape into rectangles.
2. Find missing sides by subtracting.
3. Area: add the pieces' areas.
4. Perimeter: trace and add ALL outside edges.

Example: L-shape = $(10 \times 5) + (7 \times 5) = 50 + 35 = 85 \text{ cm}^2$