## Area of Rectangles and Squares

The area of a figure is the number of squares required to cover it completely.

Area of rectangle
$A=l w$
$l=$ length, $w=$ width $\square$
Area of square
$A=S \times S$
$s=$ side length of Square


## Example 1

What is the area of the following rectangle?


Explanation

$$
\begin{aligned}
A & =l w \\
& =12 \times 6 \\
& =72 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore, the area of the following rectangle is $\mathbf{7 2} \mathbf{c m}^{2}$.

## Example 2

What is the area of the following square?


$$
\begin{aligned}
A & =s \times s \\
& =10 \times 10 \\
& =100 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Therefore, the area of the following square is $100 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$.

## Example 3

## Calculate the area of the following figure.



## Explanation

There are one rectangle and one square in the graph.
Rectangle:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A & =l w \\
& =16 \times 10 \\
& =160 \mathrm{~m}^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Square:

$$
\begin{aligned}
A & =s \times s \\
& =12 \times 12 \\
& =144 \mathrm{~m}^{2}
\end{aligned}
$$

Sum: $160 \mathrm{~m}^{2}+144 \mathrm{~m}^{2}=304 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$.

Therefore, the area of the figure is $304 \mathbf{m}^{2}$.

