

Optimize: Determine the best solution while adhering to given constraints

Concept 1: Maximum Deck Size – MAXIMIZING THE AREA

Complete the table below:

Rectangle	Length (m)	Width (m)	Perimeter (m)	Area (m ²)
A	15	5	$2(15+5) = 40$	$15 \times 5 = 75$
B	12	8	$2(12+8) = 40$	$12 \times 8 = 96$
C	10	10	$2(10+10) = 40$	$10 \times 10 = 100$
D	18	2	$2(18+2) = 40$	$18 \times 2 = 36$
E	9	11	$2(9+11) = 40$	$9 \times 11 = 99$

OBSERVATION:

The rectangles above have the same perimeter.
 Rectangle C has the greatest area.

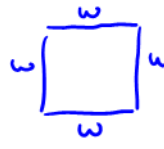
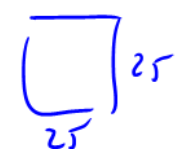
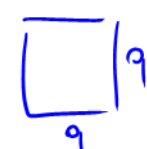
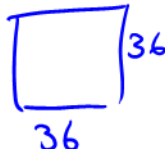
CONCLUSION:

When enclosing **FOUR SIDES**, the maximum rectangular area for a fixed perimeter is obtained by forming a square.

Solved Example: Find the maximum area for a rectangular four-sided area you can enclose with a 60 m rope at a beach. [Hint: Recall that the four-sided shape will be a SQUARE.]

Solution: The square will provide the maximum area. We need to form a square that has a 60m perimeter.
 1 side of the square = $60 / 4 = 15$
 The enclosed area will be 15 by 15; thus, its area is $15 \times 15 = 225 \text{ m}^2$.

Try these: Find the dimensions (integer values) of the largest rectangular area that can be made given the following perimeters:

<p>a) 48m <i>48m of fencing</i> $w = 48 \div 4$ $w = 12\text{m}$</p>  <p>\therefore It's 12m by 12m Area is 144m^2</p>	<p>b) 100m $w = 100 \div 4$ $= 25$</p>  <p>\therefore It's 25m by 25m 625m² area.</p>
<p>c) 36 m $w = 36 \div 4$ $w = 9\text{m}$</p>  <p>\therefore It's 9m by 9m Area is 81m^2</p>	<p>d) 144 m $w = 144 \div 4$ $= 36\text{m}$</p>  <p>\therefore It's 36m by 36m</p>

Concept 2: Minimum Perimeter for a Fixed Area – MINIMIZING THE PERIMETER


Complete the table below:

Rectangle	Length (m)	Width (m)	Area (m ²)	Perimeter (m)
A	2	18	$2 \times 18 = 36$	$2(2 + 18) = 40$
B	3	12	$3 \times 12 = 36$	$2(3 + 12) = 30$
C	4	9	$4 \times 9 = 36$	$2(4 + 9) = 26$
D	6	6	$6 \times 6 = 36$	$2(6 + 6) = 24$
E	9	4	$9 \times 4 = 36$	$2(9 + 4) = 26$

OBSERVATION:The rectangles above have the same area.Rectangle D has the least perimeter area.**CONCLUSION:**When enclosing **FOUR SIDES**, the minimum perimeter for a given rectangular area is obtained by forming a square.**Solved example:** Find the dimensions of the rectangle that will provide the least perimeter if the area is 81 m².**Solution:** The square will provide the least perimeter. We know the area of this square which is 81.One side of the square is $= \sqrt{81} = 9$

Therefore, it is a 9 by 9 square that will give the least perimeter.

Try these: Find the dimensions (integer values) of the smallest rectangular perimeter that can be made given the following areas:

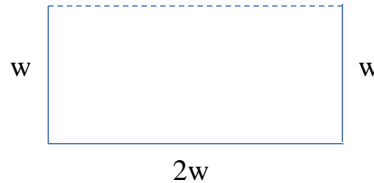
<p>a) 36m²</p> $w^2 = 36$ $\sqrt{w^2} = \sqrt{36}$ $w = 6 \quad \therefore \text{It's } 6\text{m by } 6\text{m}$ 	<p>b) 100 m²</p> $w^2 = 100$ $\sqrt{w^2} = \sqrt{100}$ $w = 10$ $\therefore \text{It's } 10\text{m by } 10\text{m.}$
<p>c) 144 m²</p> $w^2 = 144$ $\sqrt{w^2} = \sqrt{144}$ $w = 12 \quad \therefore \text{It's } 12\text{m by } 12\text{m}$	<p>d) 256 m²</p> $w^2 = 256$ $\sqrt{w^2} = \sqrt{256}$ $w = 16 \quad \therefore \text{It's } 16\text{m by } 16\text{m}$

Concept 3: MAXIMUM 3-SIDED AREA

CONCLUSION:

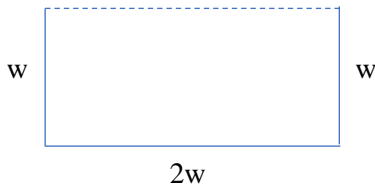
When enclosing **THREE SIDES**, the **maximum area** for a given rectangular area is obtained by forming a rectangle whose length is twice its width.

Let “w” represent the width “2w” represent the length.



Solved example: Your manager asked you to create a three-sided rectangular area at the beach with a 100 m rope that will have the greatest area. What are the dimensions?

Solution: Since this is a three-sided enclosing, we will use the following figure:



$$w + 2w + w = 4w$$

4w is the perimeter because that is how much rope we have

$$4w = 100 \quad \text{divide both sides by 4}$$

$$4w / 4 = 100 / 4$$

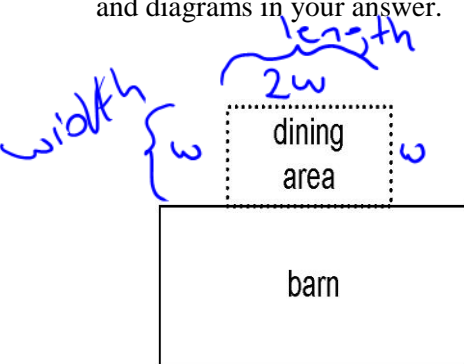
$$w = 25$$

$$\text{width} = 25 \quad \text{length} = 50$$

Therefore; it is 25 by 50 rectangle with its three sides enclosed.

Your turn:

Organizers of an outdoor music festival want to enclose a rectangular dining area against a large barn. They have 80 m of rope to use as a fence. Determine the length and width of a fence that will provide the maximum dining area. Use words and diagrams in your answer.



$$w + 2w + w = 80$$

$$4w = 80$$

$$\div 4 \quad \div 4$$

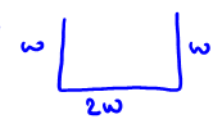
$$w = 20$$

\therefore It'll be 20m by 40m.

PRACTICE

1. An inbox tray has 3 walls and an open side on one of the longer sides. Determine the maximum area of the tray if all three walls total to a length of 812 mm.

Step 1



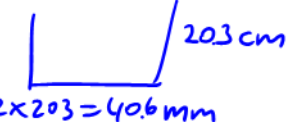
$$4w = 812$$

$$\div 4 \quad \div 4$$

$$w = 203 \text{ mm}$$

$$= 20.3 \text{ cm}$$

Step 2



$$2 \times 203 = 40.6 \text{ mm}$$

$$A = 40.6 \times 203$$

$$= 8241.8 \text{ mm}^2$$

\therefore Area is 82418 mm^2
or 824.8 cm^2

2. The perimeter of a rectangular piece of cardboard is 46 centimetres. Determine the dimensions that maximize the area.

$$4w = 46$$

$$\div 4 \quad \div 4$$


$$w = 11.5$$

\therefore It is 11.5 cm by 11.5 cm.

3. The maximum area of a fenced in pool deck is 1024 m^2 . Determine the length of fencing that is required.

$$w^2 = 1024$$

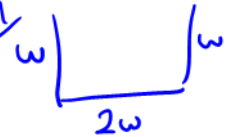
$$\sqrt{w^2} = \sqrt{1024}$$

$$w = 32$$


\therefore You need $4 \times 32 = 128 \text{ m}$ of fencing.

4. Three sides of a lookout deck have a railing, while the fourth side is open. Determine the maximum area if there is 648 cm of railing.

Step 1



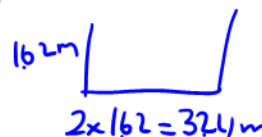
$$4w = 648$$

$$\div 4 \quad \div 4$$

$$w = 162 \text{ cm}$$

$$= 1.62 \text{ m}$$

Step 2



$$A = 162 \times 324$$

$$= 52488$$

\therefore It's approximately 5.25 m^2

5. The area of a rectangular box is $722\,500 \text{ mm}^2$. Determine the dimensions that minimize the perimeter.

$$w^2 = 722500$$

$$\sqrt{w^2} = \sqrt{722500}$$

$$w = 850 \text{ mm}$$

\therefore 85 cm x 85 cm