Mass and Capacity

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Key Vocabulary	Ме	easure and Compare Mass
mass	Scales can be used to measure grams.	Scales can be used to measure kilograms.
gram	A gram is a unit of measurement that is	A kilogram is a unit of measurement that is greater
kilogram	used to measure the mass of something.	than a gram. It is also used to measure the mass of something.
capacity	Grams can be written as g .	Kilograms can be written as kg. 1000g = 1kg To compare mass, we can use
volume	1000g = 1kg To compare mass, we can use the words 'heavier' and 'lighter'.	
millilitre	Measure and Compare Capacity Capacity is the amount of liquid a container can hold.	
litre	Volume is how much liquid is in the cont	Measuring jugs can be used
lighter	Measuring cylinders can be used to measure smaller volumes.	Greater volumes are measured in litres. Litres can be written as l.
heavier	Smaller volumes are measured in millilitres.	1000ml = 1l
twinkl visit twinkl.com	Millilitres can be written as ml.	To compare capacities, we can use the word 'full'.

Reading Scales

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Mass

Each of the melons has a mass of 6kg but the arrows are all pointing at different points on the scales. This is because each of the measuring scales have different increments marked on them.



Always look carefully at how the numbers on the scales increase when reading a measurement.

Add and Subtract Mass

600g + 500g = 1100g = **1kg 100g**

1kg - 300g = 1000g - 300g = 700g





Capacity

Measuring containers all have different capacities.



Each of these containers contain the same volume of 100 millilitres but have different capacities and scales. Always look carefully at how the numbers on the scales increase when reading a measurement.

Add and Subtract Capacities

800ml + 400ml = 1200ml = **1l 200ml**

1l 300ml - 200ml = **1l 100ml**

