



Homework 12-8 **Using Units of Mass**

Another Look!

Two metric units for mass are grams (g) and kilograms (kg). 1 kg = 1,000 g

A paperclip has a mass of about 1 gram. A hardcover book has the mass of about 1 kilogram.

Which unit should you use to measure the mass of a bike?

How many paperclips would have the same mass as a bike? How many books?

The mass of a bike is much greater than the mass of a paperclip. A kilogram is the most appropriate unit to measure a bike.



In 1 through 11, choose the more appropriate unit to measure the mass of each item. Write g or kg.

- 1. The mass of a lawn mower is greater than the mass of a book. The most appropriate unit of measure for a lawn mower is . . .
- 2. The mass of a door key is less than the mass of a book. The most appropriate unit of measure for a door key is _
- **3.** The mass of a pineapple is equal to the mass of a book. The most appropriate unit of measure is _____.
- 4. pumpkin

5. gold ring

6. robin's egg

7. cannonball

8. cement block

9. spool of thread

10. car tire

11. shoelace

- **12. Explain** Would you be more likely to find the mass of a pen in grams or in kilograms? Explain.
- **13.** The mass of a certain window is 18 kg. What is the mass of 5 of those windows?

- **14.** Number Sense Which is a greater number, the mass of a cat in grams or the mass of the same cat in kilograms?
- Bella has three different objects whosemasses are 500 g, 125 g, and 375 g. Which is the sum of the masses of the objects?

A 1,000 kg

C 10 kg

B 100 kg

D 1 kg

- 16. The *Dromornis stirtoni* was once the largest living bird. It is now extinct. The ostrich is now the largest living bird. What is the difference in mass between the *Dromornis stirtoni* and the ostrich?
- **17.** Which has a greater mass, an Andean condor or a Eurasian eagle owl? How much greater?

	Bird	Mass
DATA	Ostrich	156 kg
	Andean condor	9 kg
	Eurasian eagle owl	4.2 kg
	Dromornis stirtoni	454 kg
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- **18.** Personal Financial Literacy A drum set costs \$78.39. Janice can buy it on credit by making 6 payments of \$14. How much more does the drum set cost to buy on credit than to buy with cash? Tell how you found the answer.
- **19. Check for Reasonableness** Is it reasonable to say that 10 marshmallows have a mass greater than 1 kilogram?

20. Extend Your Thinking Luis said that when his dog was born, she had a mass of 370 g and that when fully grown, his dog had a mass of 37 kg. Diego says that this is not possible, because the dog had a greater mass as a puppy than as an adult. Do you agree? If not, what mistake did Diego make? Explain.

A good explanation is clear, complete, and easy to understand.