

Volume - the amount of space (cubes) in a 3-D figure

units<sup>3</sup>

Area (2-D)



units<sup>2</sup>

Volume (3-D)



units<sup>3</sup>

Prisms - all faces (besides the base(s)) are rectangles

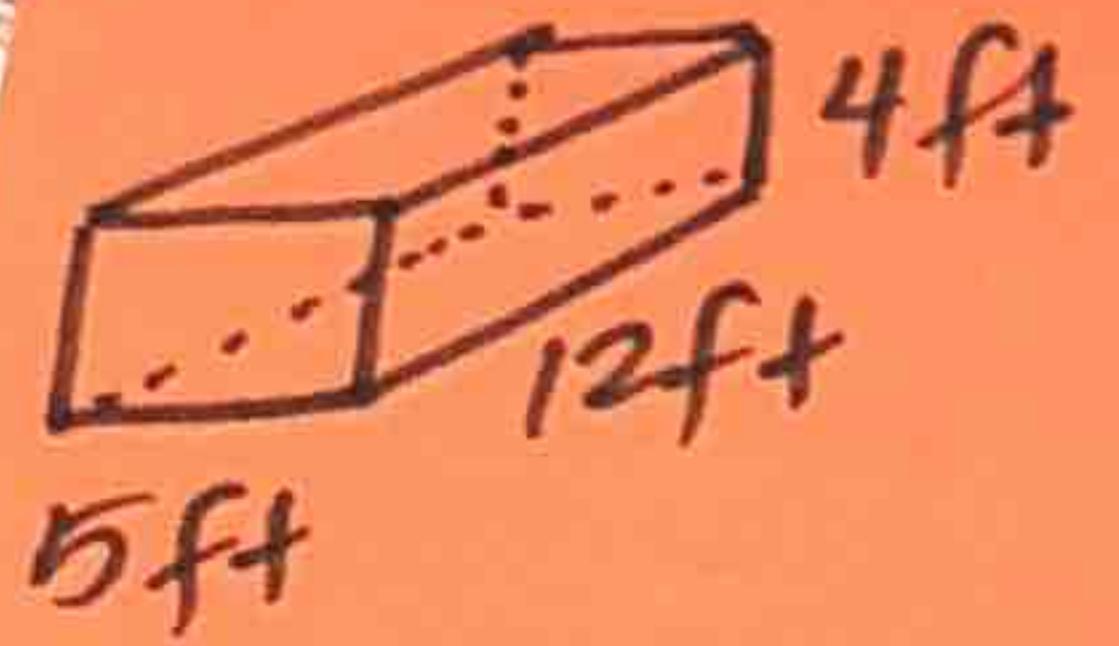


$$V = B \cdot h$$

area of  
the base  
(can only be  
1 or 2)

height of  
whole figure

Rectangular Prism:

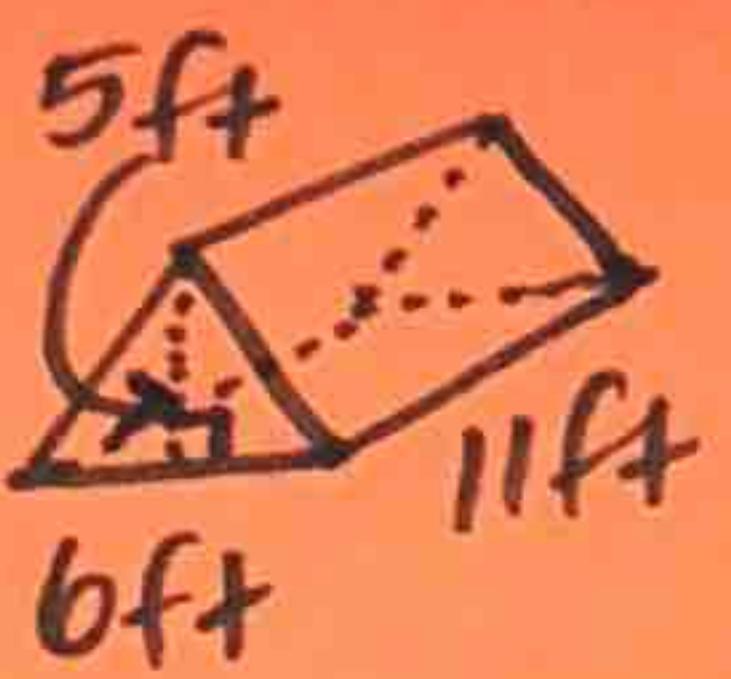


$$\begin{aligned} B_{\square} &= b \cdot h \\ &= (5)(12) \\ &= 60 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} V &= B \cdot h \\ V &= (60)(4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\boxed{V = 240 \text{ ft}^3}$$

Triangular Prism:



$$\begin{aligned} B_{\Delta} &= \frac{1}{2} b h \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(6)(5) \\ &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

$$V = B \cdot h$$

$$V = (15)(11)$$

$$\boxed{V = 165 \text{ ft}^3}$$

Real-Life Application:



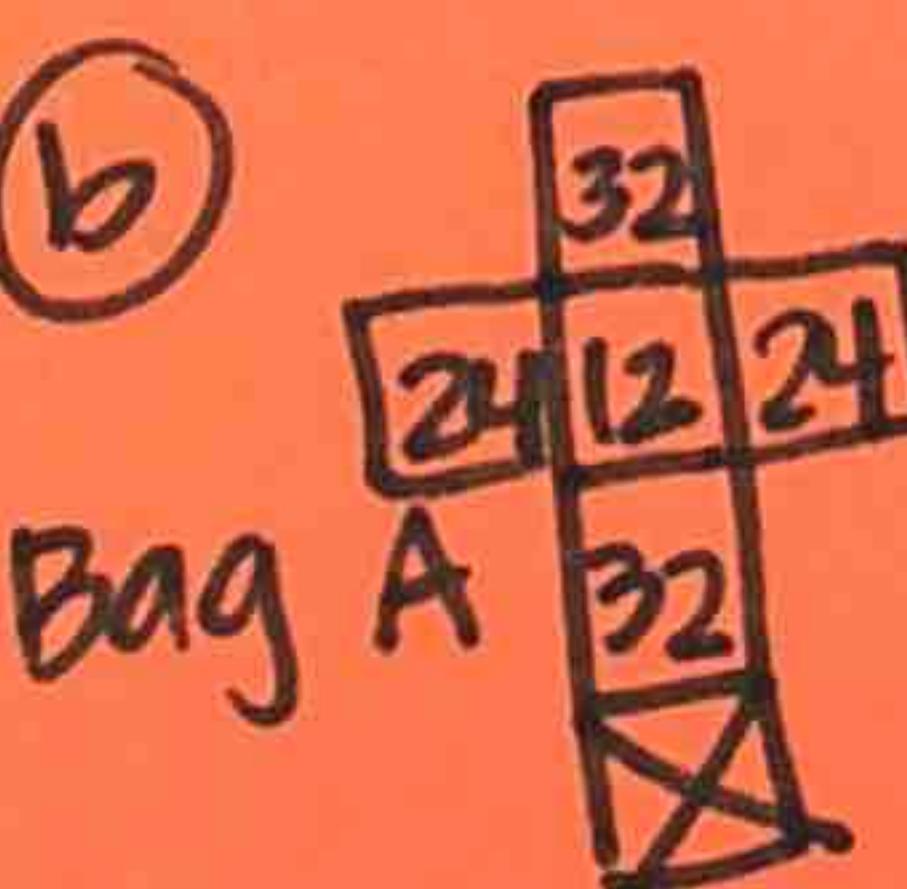
Bag A



Bag B

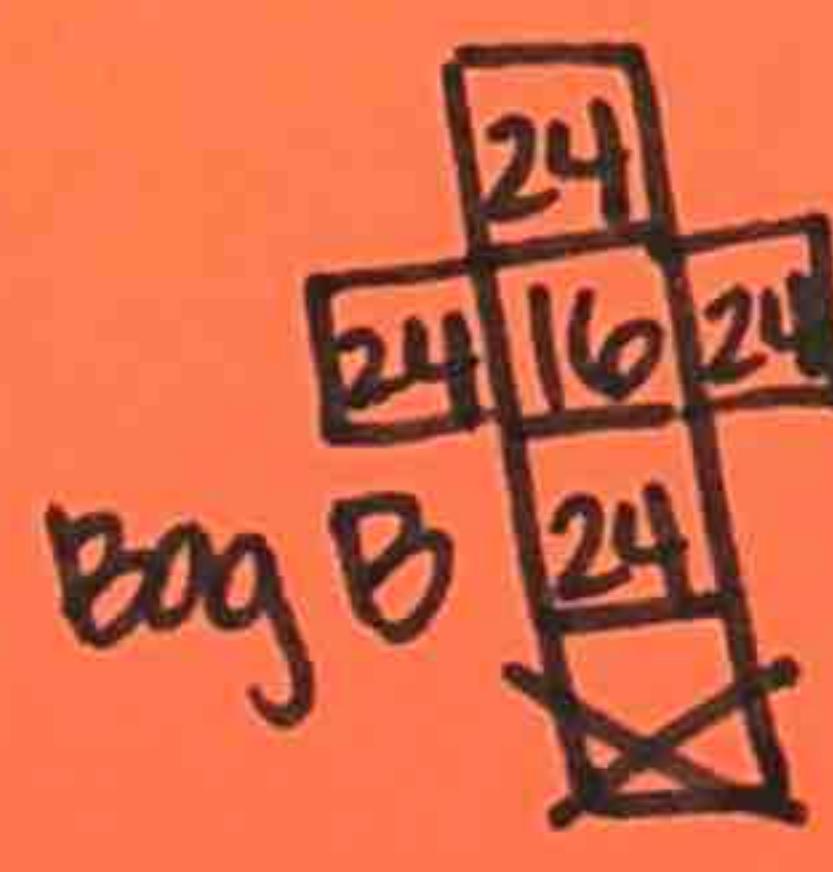
- a)  $V = 96 \text{ in}^3$  (Both)  
what is the height of each bag?  
b) which bag uses less paper?

$$\begin{aligned} @ V_A &= B \cdot h & V_B &= B \cdot h \\ 96 &= (4 \cdot 3)h & 96 &= (4 \cdot 4)h \\ \frac{96}{2} &= \frac{12h}{12} & \frac{96}{16} &= \frac{16h}{16} \\ h &= 8 \text{ in} & h &= 6 \text{ in} \end{aligned}$$



(b)

Bag A



Bag B

$$\begin{aligned} SA_A &= 2(24) + 2(32) + 12 \\ &= 124 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} SA_B &= 4(24) + 16 \\ &= 112 \text{ in}^2 \end{aligned}$$

Bag B uses less paper.

## 9.4 Volume of Prisms