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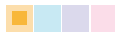
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The "4kids" part of the logo consists of the number "4" in green, the letter "k" in orange, the letter "i" in blue, the letter "d" in red, and the letter "s" in light blue, all in a bold, sans-serif font.

Units



■ Number Bunch

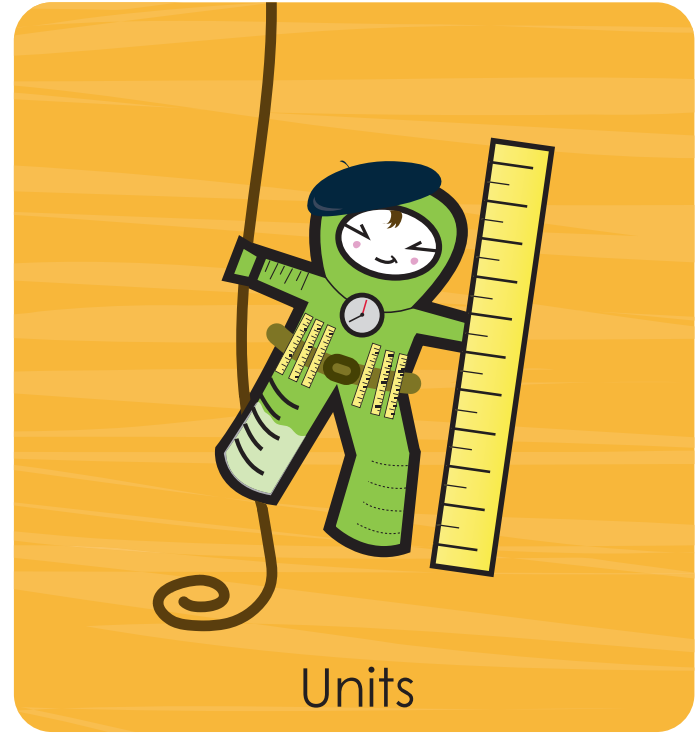
- ✦ There is a world to measure and this lot do the measuring
- ✦ Global S.I. Units are based on the French metric system
- ✦ Their key co-workers are things like rulers and stopwatches

We are crack teams, highly trained, orderly and ready for action. Our mission? To sort out the number world's measuring problems. How long is a football pitch? Call in our specialist metre Unit. How much lemonade is there in that bottle? The litre squad are the guys for you. How heavy's the cat? Hurrah! Here comes the gram brigade. Anything you can measure, we've got the measure of it.

We come in all sizes. Take the metre crew. If it's ladybirds or ants you're measuring, millimetres (mm for short) are what you need. For creepy-crawly spiders, centimetres (cm) may be best. Metres (m) are for larger pests, such as your big brother. Usually, these form neat blocks of tens and thousands – $10 \text{ mm} = 1 \text{ cm}$, $1000 \text{ mm} = 1 \text{ m}$. But time divides into Units of 60 and 24! Go figure!

The metric system was invented in France in 1791

- Number of seconds in a minute: 60
- Number of minutes in an hour: 60
- Number of hours in a day: 24



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