# Surface Area

Surface area is the sum of the areas of each of the faces that make up a solid.

We can use *nets* of solid shapes to find the area of each of the faces.



### The height of prisms:

Always the perpendicular distance between each of the bases.





## Surface area of a right prism:

A right prism is when each of the lateral edges are perpendicular to both bases.

You can find the surface area of a right prism by adding the areas of the bases and the areas of the lateral faces.

The area lateral faces will be the perimeter of the base times the height (*Ph*).



Find the surface areas of these right prisms:



### The surface area of a *regular* pyramid:

The sum of the base area (*B*) and the lateral area.

The lateral area is going to be the perimeter of the base (*P*) times the slant height (*h*), times  $\frac{1}{2}$ .

So we have:

 $S=B+\frac{1}{2}Ph$ 



Find the surface area of this regular hexagonal pyramid.



## Surface Area of a Cone

The surface area of a cone is the sum of the base (*B*) and its lateral area.

The lateral area will be  $\frac{1}{2}$  times the circumference (*C*) times the slant height (*h*).

So we have

 $S=B+\frac{1}{2}Ch$ 



What is the surface area of this cone?

