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How can scale be

represented?

1 cm on a map represents an actual distance of 2000 cm.

1 is to 2000

20

40

1:2000

0 cm

The length on the page is 1/2000th the actual size. Using a key (1cm represents 2000 cm which is 20 m)

80 Metres

Example

The building below represents a 1:500 scale. So 1cm on the page represents 500 cm or 5 m of the building.



Your turn...

A map has a scale of 1:4000. If 1cm on the map is measured, how many metres does this represent?

