## Squares and Rectangles

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Measure the length and width of each square and rectangle below, and then calculate its area.


1. Using a ruler, draw a diagonal (from one corner to the opposite corner) on shapes $\mathrm{A}, \mathrm{B}$, and C .
2. Along the top edge of shape $D$, mark a point that is not a vertex. Using a ruler, draw a line from each bottom corner to the point you marked. (Three triangles should be formed.)
3. Cut out the shapes. Then, divide A, B, and C into two parts by cutting along the diagonal, and divide D into three parts by cutting along the lines you drew.
4. How do the areas of the resulting shapes compare to the area of the original shape?
