

ESTIMATE NEEDED

For each of the following situations explain in writing whether you would need to find an exact answer or whether an estimate would be good enough. Explain why.

- If a new classmate arrives tomorrow, how tall do you think he or she might be?
- How many people could fit in the auditorium for the holiday concert?
- How much milk do the students and teachers buy from the lunchroom on a given day? Would this amount of milk fit in a pot? A bath tub? A kiddy pool?
- What is the area of the playground?

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