

a. width of a rugby league field

b. height of Tāne Mahuta (NZ's tallest Kauri tree)

c. Distance you should stay away from people at a cafe

d. The height of the tallest part of Auckland Harbour Bridge

e. The length of an A4 paper aeroplane

f. The length of a packet of gingernuts

g. Height of a safety cone

h. The length of your stride

i. Distance you should stay away from people in the workplace

j. The length of a chocolate fish

k. Height of _____
(common item at your workplace)

l. The length of _____
(common item at your workplace)

Ideas for using this activity in the workplace:

Use this quick activity at your next team meeting to spark some discussion about safe distancing, and build in numeracy awareness at the same time. You could:

- Read out each item and ask your team to discuss in a pairs or small groups (from a distance!) what they think the answer is before checking as a group
- Put the sheet on a powerpoint to discuss at your next virtual meeting
- Make a [Kahoot!](#) quiz

Numeracy extra awhi: Explain that a benchmark is a way to personally understand how long a unit of measurement is, for example, we all know that a large stride is about a metre, and this helps us know and estimate other lengths.

Answers

- a. 68 metres
- b. 51 metres
- c. 2 metres
- d. 43 metres
- e. 29.5 cm
- f. 25cm
- g. 90cm
- h. approx 1m
- i. 1m at least – or insert your workplace guideline here
- j. 8cm
- k. your answer
- l. your answer