

# First Nations Math

## Activity 5 - The Legend of Bigfoot

The First Nations of the Pacific Northwest believed in a legendary Sasquatch, or Bigfoot. The Salish peoples of British Columbia tell legends of a huge, strong-smelling, apelike creature that lived in the deep woods.

These legends have been passed on for generations. The Bigfoot creature supposedly had huge feet measuring up to 18 inches long and seven inches wide!



### Activity Instructions:

Take a look at your feet. Do you think they are as big as Bigfoot's? Measure a rectangle that is 18 inches long and seven inches wide. Now place your foot inside the rectangle and trace it. It is anywhere near the size of Bigfoot's?

Find the area of Bigfoot's foot by multiplying the length of the rectangle by the width. Now draw a rectangle of your foot. Find the area of it. Whose is bigger?



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Can you believe THIS is math?