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MATH: Liquid Measures GRADES: Middle

Thirsty Measures by Heidi Bee Roemer

I pour some juice into my **cup**. 8 fluid **ounces** I drink up. That's 16 **tablespoons**. Good stuff! But the juice is not enough.

I mix a **pint** of lemonade, the pink kind that my grandma made. That's 16 ounces, 2 cold cups— The lemonade is not enough.

I chug a **quart** of chocolate milk and not one drop of milk is spilt. That's 32 ounces, 4 cold cups, 2 pints of milk. Still...not enough.

I swig a **gallon** of iced tea. That's 16 cups of tea for me. I reach my peak capacity... 8 pints, 4 quarts, all gone. Oh no—



Excuse me, please. I have to go!



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