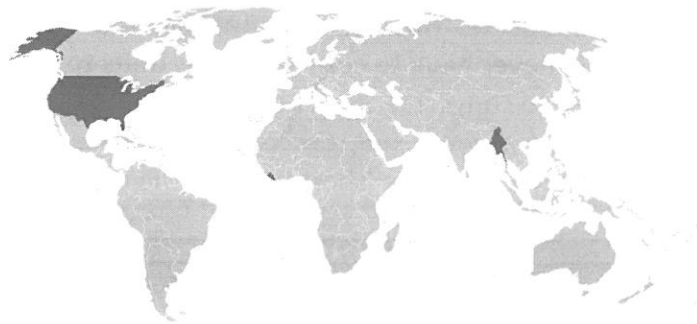
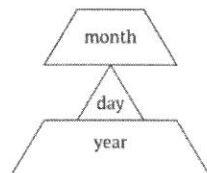
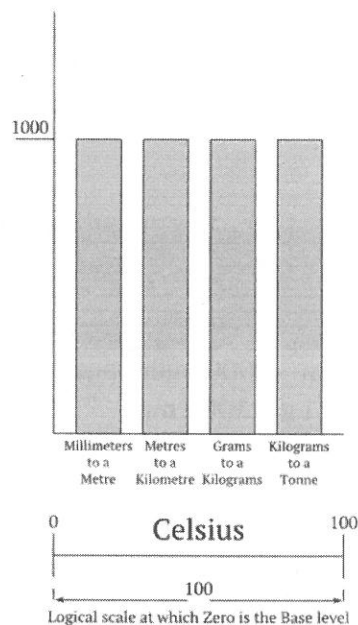
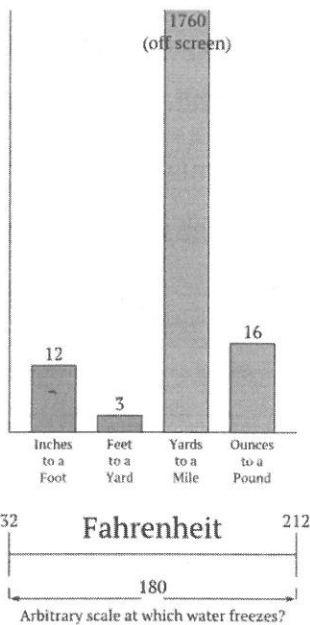


Metric Measurements vs. Imperial Measurements

For lengths, weights, and temperatures there are two main systems of measurement: the **metric** system and the **imperial** system. Most of the world uses the metric system as their official system of measurement (including Canada!). There are only three countries that still use the imperial system as their official system of measurement: The US, Liberia, and Myanmar. Here is a map of the countries still using the imperial system (map and graphic below from <https://www.zmescience.com/other/map-of-countries-officially-not-using-the-metric-system/>):



The metric system makes a lot more sense and is easier to use, so why don't these countries switch? The main problem is cost – the cost to switch even just the road signs in the US would be astronomical. Here is a graphic that begins to show why the metric system is easier to use:



Imperial scale



Metric scale