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- Why do you think they used hexagons rather than pentagons?
- Why is there a gap in the middle of the mirror?
- Which six segments fold up for the telescope to fit in the rocket?

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## How big is Webb's real mirror?

Use the completed jigsaw to work out how large the real Webb Telescope mirror is.


1Measure the completed jigsaw...

## 2 This is the same size real mirror segments



3 Webb's mirror is as own segments laid point to point

## 4

Now measure out how large the real mirror is

## Measuring String

Use this string to measure the completed jigsaw from point to point.


## CHALLENGE

## Pentagon Puzzle

Can you assemble a telescope mirror from the pentagons? Why do you think Webb uses hexagons?


## CHALLENGE

## Hexagons

Fold along the dashed lines, then carefully cut along (not outside) the solid lines to create a set of twenty hexagons.
Webb's primary mirror has eighteen hexagons.


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## Pentagons

Fold along the dashed lines, then carefully cut along (not outside) the solid lines to create a set of twenty pentagons. Webb's primary mirror has eighteen hexagons.


