



$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times b \times h$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 10\text{cm} \times 8\text{cm}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \times 80\text{cm}^2 = 40\text{cm}^2$$

**Key point:** We do not need to use the 9cm measurement. It is extra information which is irrelevant.