CHAPTER 3 Polynomials
3.1 Build Algebraic Models Using Concrete Materials Area Models With Algebra Tiles

## Algebra Tiles



## Example:

Model each area using algebra tiles:
a) $16 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$
b) two floor tiles of unknown area

## Solution:

a) $16 \mathrm{~m}^{2}$ can be modelled using 16 unit tiles.

b) An unknown area can be modelled using an $x^{2}$-tile. Use two $x^{2}$-tiles to model the two floor tiles:

## Practice:



Model each of the following using algebra tiles.

1. Ahmed used mosaic tiles measuring 1 cm by 1 cm to make a square with an area of $25 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$.
2. Five new houses in a subdivision have identical square front yards of unknown area.

## Answers:

1. 


2.


