Bar Graphing Checklist

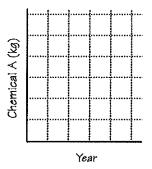
Start with a table of data. This table represents the amount of a chemical used by the Acme Company each year from 1999 to 2003

Year	Chemical A Used (kg)
1999	100
2000	80
2001	110
2002	90
2003	105

Decide which type of graph is best for the data (bar or line graph).

bar graph

Draw the axes and label them with the names and units of the data.



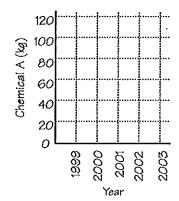
Decide on a scale for each axis. Be sure there is enough space for all the data, but that it's not too crowded.

Year axis:

 $1 \, \text{block} = 1 \, \text{year}$

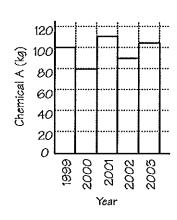
Chemicals axis: 1 block = 20 kilograms

Draw intervals on the graph and label them clearly.

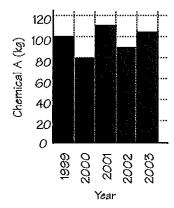


Bar Graphing Checklist (continued)

Plot your data on the graph, using a line for each data point.



Fill in the bars.



Title your graph so it describes what it shows.

