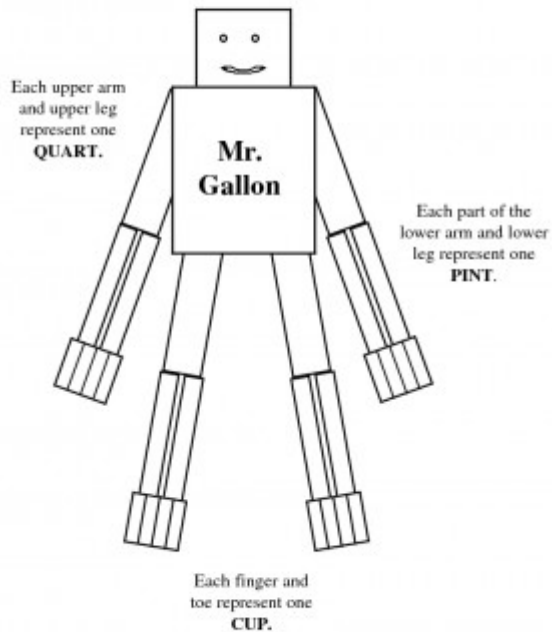


Mr. Gallon



Mr. Gallon is a visual aid we use to learn and understand Customary Capacity Units. By studying Mr. Gallon, we can easily remember the number of each unit that makes up one gallon.

- As you can see in the diagram, Mr. Gallon is put together like a human body. Each portion of his body represents a measure, except his head.
- The torso represents the gallon which is the biggest part of the body and unit of capacity, to which everything is connected.
- Connected directly to the gallon are 4 quarts symbolizing arms and legs. This shows that 4 quarts equals a gallon.
- In a human body, the bottom portion of your arms and legs have two separate bones, and so does Mr. Gallon. Two pints are connected to each quart. Therefore, there are 2 pints in each quart and 8 pints in a gallon.
- The last part of Mr. Gallon are the fingers and toes which represent cups. The fingers are the smallest portion on the body, as cups are the smallest unit. Two cups are attached to each pint. Therefore, there are 16 cups in a gallon, 4 cups in a quart, and 2 cups in a pint.
- It may help some students to actually point to their own arms and legs as they learn the corresponding parts of Mr. Gallon. That way they will be able to remember the units even when they aren't looking at Mr. Gallon.