THINGS TO DO:

Is Bigger Better?

The last 170 years have seen some extraordinary changes to the design of America's Cup yachts. To give you some idea of just how much things have changed - complete this worksheet. Then go outside to a football field, and using one large pace as the equivalent of one metre, mark out the size of the yachts to get a sense of just how big they really are.

Yacht Dimensions

YEAR	CREW	LENGTH	MAST	WEIGHT
		metres	metres	tonnes
1851	21	31	23	98
1930	25	42	50	158
1988	40	37	47	35
1995	16	24	33	25
2021	11	31	26	6

YACHT	DIMENSIONS
"AMERICA" First winner of the Cup	
"WHIRLWIND" Biggest of the J-Class Giants	
KZ1 "Big Boat" Said to be the world's fastest monohul	
AC32 "Black Magic' First New Zealand boat to win the Cup	
AC75 New Zealand's current defender of the Cup	