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Estimating Weight- Guided Lesson Explanation

Always ask yourself, how you would categorize (light, heavy, very heavy) the weight of the object that you are working with.

Explanation#1

This looks like a very heavy object that would need to be moved by a heavy piece of equipment. I would therefore say we are looking for the largest unit possible.

So ton is the appropriate unit measure for the weight of the container.

So the answer is 20 tons.

Explanation#2

Strawberries are very light, so I would look for the lightest unit.

Grams are by far the smallest and lightest nit available.

So the answer is 25 grams.

Explanation#3

Butter is not very heavy or extremely light, it would be somewhere in the middle.

Ounces are appropriate units to use to measure the weight of butter.

So the answer is 50 ounces.