Woodworking Terms

ACE

EDGE

ENDS—The two surfaces that are the limits of a board's length are referred to as the ends.

FACE—The larger or broader surface of a workpiece is called the face. Sometimes the face refers to the best or "select" side

EDGE– The narrower surface of a workpiece is the edge (sometimes the sharp ridge formed where to surfaces meet is call an edge

THICKNESS—The distance between the two faces of a workpiece or board is referred to as the thickness.

WIDTH—Width is defined as the distance between the opposite edges of a workpiece. Width is measure *across* the grain.

LENGTH—The length of a board is the distance between the two opposite ends. Length is measured *with* the grain