

Day 10: Midsegments, Isosceles Triangles

Warm-up:

$$d^2 = (\text{change in } x)^2 + (\text{change in } y)^2$$

Fix

1. Given a triangle with vertices A (2, 5), B(3, 6) and C(1, 6), use the distance formula to decide whether triangle ABC is scalene, isosceles, or equilateral.

Show ALL work!!

$$\sqrt{(AB)^2} = \sqrt{(2-3)^2 + (5-6)^2}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{(-1)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{(AC)^2} = \sqrt{(2-1)^2 + (5-6)^2}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(1)^2 + (-1)^2} = \sqrt{2}$$

$$\sqrt{(BC)^2} = \sqrt{(3-1)^2 + (6-6)^2}$$

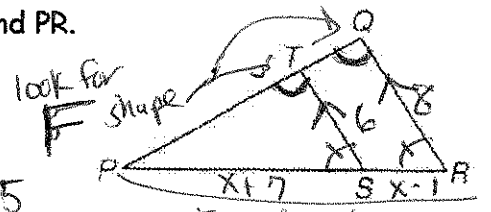
$$BC = \sqrt{(2)^2 + (0)^2} = \sqrt{4} = 2$$

$$AB = \sqrt{2}, AC = \sqrt{2}, BC = 2$$

$\triangle ABC$  is isosceles because 2 sides  $\cong$

2. Given  $\overline{TS} \parallel \overline{QR}$ , explain why the triangles are similar and write a similarity statement. Then use  $TS = 6$ ,  $PS = x + 7$ ,  $QR = 8$ , and  $SR = x - 1$ , to find  $PS$  and  $PR$ .

- $\angle PTS \cong \angle PQR$  and  $\angle PST \cong \angle PRQ$   
(corresponding angles  $\cong$  when lines are  $\parallel$ )



look for shape

- $\triangle PTS \sim \triangle PQR$  by  $AA \sim$

use  $\frac{\text{full side}}{\text{full side}} = \frac{\text{full side}}{\text{full side}} \rightarrow \frac{6}{8} = \frac{x+7}{2x+6}$

$x = 5$   
 $PS = 12$   
 $PR = 16$

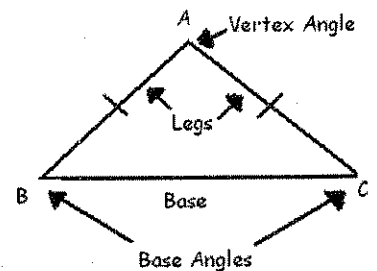
be careful... x is not always the end of the problem!

Midsegments, Isosceles Triangles Notes/Practice

Isosceles and Equilateral Triangles

Isosceles triangles are commonly found in the real world in buildings and bridges.

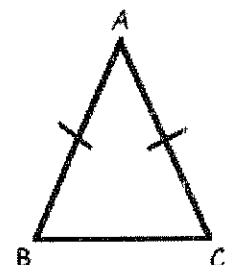
- The congruent sides of an isosceles triangle are its legs.
- The third side is the base.
- The two congruent sides form the vertex angle.
- The other two angles are the base angles.



Isosceles Triangle Theorem:

If two sides of a triangle are congruent, then the angles opposite those sides are congruent.

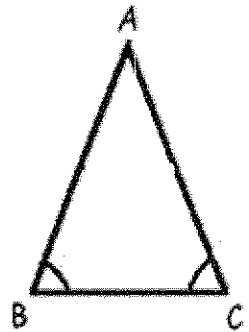
Ex. If  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$ , then  $\angle B \cong \angle C$ .



**Converse of the Isosceles Triangle Theorem:**

If two angles of a triangle are congruent, then the sides opposite those <sup>angles</sup> sides are congruent.

Ex. If  $\angle B \cong \angle C$ , then  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$ .



**Example:** Triangle ABC is isosceles with vertex C. What is the value of x? What is the measure of each angle?

$$2x + 40 = 3x + 22$$

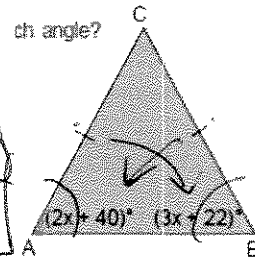
$$18 = x$$

$$m\angle A = 2(18) + 40 = 76$$

$$m\angle B = 3(18) + 22 = 76$$

$$m\angle A + m\angle B + m\angle C = 180$$

$$76 + 76 + m\angle C = 180$$



$$152 + m\angle C = 180$$

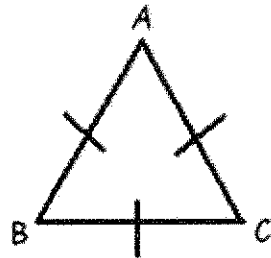
$$m\angle C = 28$$

**Corollary to Isosceles Triangle Theorem:**

If a triangle is equilateral, then the triangle is equiangular.

Ex. If  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC} \cong \overline{BC}$ , then

$$\angle A \cong \angle B \cong \angle C$$

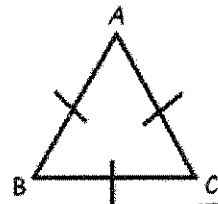


**Example:** Given triangle ABC, what is the measure of angle A?

$$\text{If } m\angle A = x$$

$$\text{then } x + x + x = 180$$

$$\text{so } 3x = 180 \text{ and } x = 60 \text{ so } m\angle A = 60$$



How would you define the **midpoint** of a segment?

The **midpoint** of a segment divides a segment into 2 congruent segments.

Ex/ M is the mdpt of  $\overline{DE}$



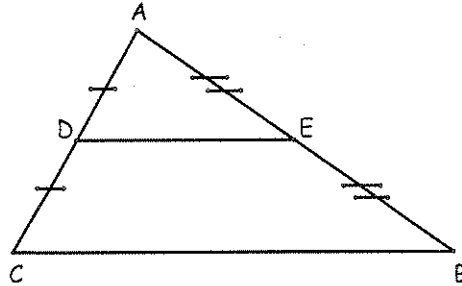
Midsegment of a triangle (doesn't have to be isosceles or equilateral)

A midsegment of a triangle is a segment connecting the midpoints of 2 sides. It measures half the length of the opposite side

$\overline{DE}$  is a midsegment of  $\triangle ABC$

$DE = \frac{1}{2} BC$

and  $\overline{DE} \parallel \overline{CB}$

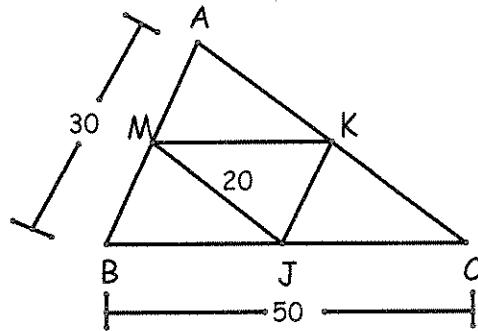


Example 1: In triangle ABC, M, J, and K are midpoints

$AB = 30$        $KJ = 15$      $\frac{1}{2}(30)$

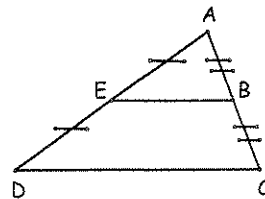
$BC = 50$        $MK = 25$      $\frac{1}{2}(50)$

$AC = 40$        $MJ = 20$   
 $= 2 \cdot MJ$   
 $= 2 \cdot 20$



Example 2:  $AB = 10$ ,  $CD = 18$

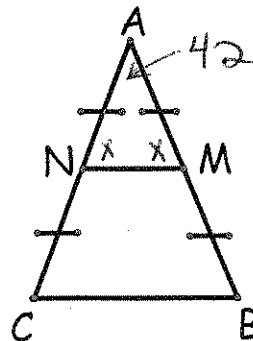
$BC = 10$        $EB = 9$   
 $= \frac{1}{2}(18)$



Example 3: Given  $m\angle A = 42^\circ$ ,

Find  $m\angle AMN = 69^\circ$

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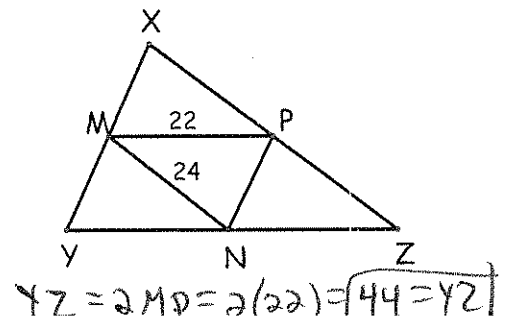
$42 + x + x = 180$   
 $2x = 138$   
 $x = 69$

Example 4: In  $\triangle XYZ$ , M, N, and P are midpoints.

The perimeter of  $\triangle MNP$  is 60. Find XY and YZ.

$per\triangle MNP = MP + MN + NP = 60$   
 $22 + 24 + NP = 60$   
 $46 + NP = 60$

$XY = 2(NP)$   
 $= 2(14)$   
 $XY = 28$   
 $NP = 14$



$YZ = 2MP = 2(22) = 44 = YZ$

Practice...Directions: Find the values of the variables. You must show all work to receive full credit. Figures are not drawn to scale.

1.  $x = \underline{8}$   $y = \underline{10}$   $z = \underline{10}$   
 $= \frac{1}{2}(20)$

Use markings

2.  $x = \underline{6.5} = \frac{1}{2}(13) \rightarrow$  midsegment is half of base

Numbers marked show  $\cong$  sides

3.  $x = \underline{20} = 10 \cdot 2$

4.  $x = \underline{9}$

$\frac{1}{2}(x+1) = 5$   
 $x+1 = 10$

5.  $x = \underline{72}$

$54 + 54 + x = 180$   
 $108 + x = 180$

isos  $\rightarrow \cong$  sides

6.  $x = \underline{10}$

$180 - 60 - 60 = 60$   
 $\Rightarrow$  3rd  $\Delta$  is equilateral  $50^\circ$  is equilateral  $\rightarrow x = 10$

1st isos  $\Delta$   $50^\circ \cong \angle S$

7.  $x = \underline{60}$   $y = \underline{140}$

1st midsegments are  $\parallel$  to base

2nd corresponding angles are  $\cong$  ... look for F (or rotated F)

3rd same side interior angles are supplementary

$180 - 100 = 80^\circ$

$180 - 40 = 140 = y$

... look for  $\begin{matrix} \downarrow \\ \uparrow \end{matrix}$  or  $\begin{matrix} \rightarrow \\ \leftarrow \end{matrix}$

$180$   
 $-74$   
 $-74$   
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 $32$

9.  $x = \underline{50}$   $x = 60$

$x = 2(25)$

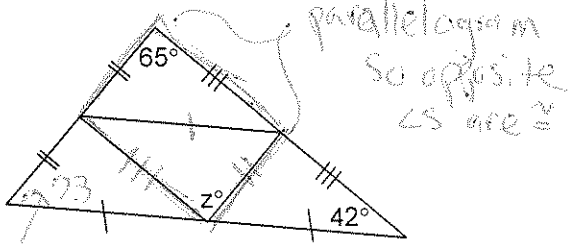
10.  $x = \underline{6}$   $y = \underline{13/2}$  or 6.5

$x = \frac{1}{2}(3x-6)$   
 $2x = 3x-6$   
 $6 = x$

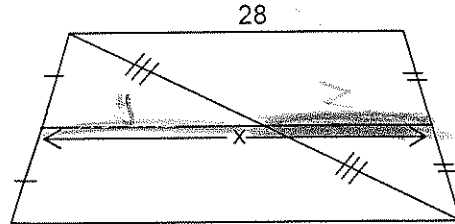
$y = \frac{1}{2}(2x+1)$   
 $y = \frac{1}{2}(2 \cdot 6 + 1)$   
 $y = \frac{1}{2}(13)$

11.  $z = 65$

12.  $x = 40$



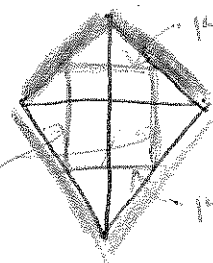
$180 - 65 - 42 = 180 - 107 = 73$



$y = \frac{1}{2}(52) = 26$

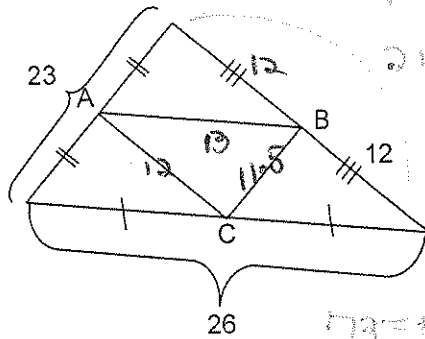
$z = \frac{1}{2}(28) = 14$

13. Sadie is designing a kite. The diagonals measure 28 in and 48 in. She wants to decorate the mid-segments with purple ribbon. How much ribbon must she purchase? Draw a picture!



$14 + 14 + 24 + 24$   
 $76 \text{ in.}$

14. Find the perimeter of  $\triangle ABC$ .

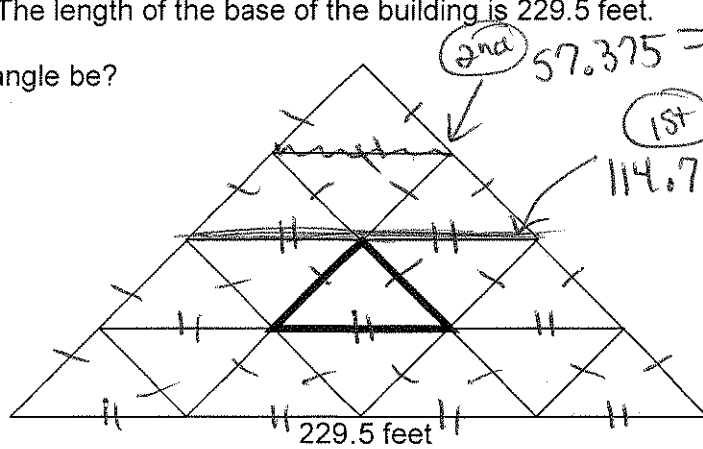


$12 + 13 + 11.5$

$36.5 = \text{perimeter of } \triangle ABC$

15. One side of the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame is an isosceles triangle made up of smaller triangles based on mid-segments. The length of the base of the building is 229.5 feet.

What would the base of the bold triangle be?



1st  $114.75 = \frac{229.5}{2}$

2nd  $57.375 = \frac{114.75}{2}$

3rd all  $\triangle s \cong$   
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 57.375 ft