

Study Guide

KeyConcepts

Classifying Triangles (Lesson 4-1)

• Triangles can be classified by their angles as acute, obtuse, or right, and by their sides as scalene, isosceles, or equilateral.

Angles of Triangles (Lesson 4-2)

• The measure of an exterior angle is equal to the sum of its two remote interior angles.

Congruent Triangles (Lesson 4-3 through 4-5)

- SSS: If all of the corresponding sides of two triangles are congruent, then the triangles are congruent.
- SAS: If two pairs of corresponding sides of two triangles and the included angles are congruent, then the triangles are congruent.
- ASA: If two pairs of corresponding angles of two triangles and the included sides are congruent, then the triangles are congruent.
- AAS: If two pairs of corresponding angles of two triangles are congruent, and a corresponding pair of nonincluded sides is congruent, then the triangles are congruent.

Isosceles and Equilateral Triangles (Lesson 4-6)

• The base angles of an isosceles triangle are congruent and a triangle is equilateral if it is equiangular.

Transformations and Coordinate Proofs

(Lessons 4-7 and 4-8)

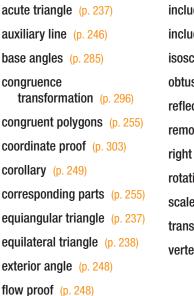
- In a congruence transformation, the position of the image may differ from the preimage, but the two figures remain congruent.
- · Coordinate proofs use algebra to prove geometric concepts.

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KeyVocabulary



included angle (p. 266) included side (p. 275) isosceles triangle (p. 238) obtuse triangle (p. 237) reflection (p. 296) remote interior angles (p. 248) right triangle (p. 237) rotation (p. 296) scalene triangle (p. 238) translation (p. 296) vertex angle (p. 285)

VocabularyCheck

State whether each sentence is *true* or *false*. If *false*, replace the underlined word or phrase to make a true sentence.

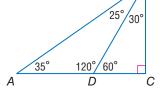
- 1. An equiangular triangle is also an example of an <u>acute</u> triangle.
- 2. A triangle with an angle that measures greater than 90° is a <u>right</u> triangle.
- 3. An <u>equilateral</u> triangle is always equiangular.
- 4. A <u>scalene</u> triangle has at least two congruent sides.
- 5. The <u>vertex</u> angles of an isosceles triangle are congruent.
- 6. An <u>included</u> side is the side located between two consecutive angles of a polygon.
- **7.** The three types of <u>congruence transformations</u> are rotation, reflection, and translation.
- **8.** A <u>rotation</u> moves all points of a figure the same distance and in the same direction.
- **9.** A <u>flow proof</u> uses figures in the coordinate plane and algebra to prove geometric concepts.
- **10.** The measure of an <u>exterior angle</u> of a triangle is equal to the sum of the measures of its two remote interior angles.

Lesson-by-Lesson Review

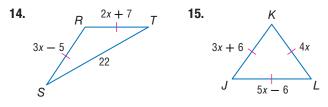
1 Classifying Triangles

Classify each triangle as *acute*, *equiangular*, *obtuse*, or *right*.

- **11.** △*ADB*
- **12.** △*BCD*
- **13.** △*ABC*



ALGEBRA Find *x* and the measures of the unknown sides of each triangle.

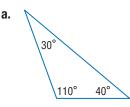


16. MAPS The distance from Chicago to Cleveland to Cincinnati and back to Chicago is 900 miles. The distance from Chicago to Cleveland is 50 miles more than the distance from Cincinnati to Chicago, and the distance from Cleveland to Cincinnati is 50 miles less than the distance from Cincinnati to Chicago. Find each distance and classify the triangle formed by the three cities.

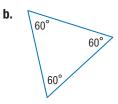
Example 1

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Classify each triangle as *acute*, *equiangular*, *obtuse*, or *right*.

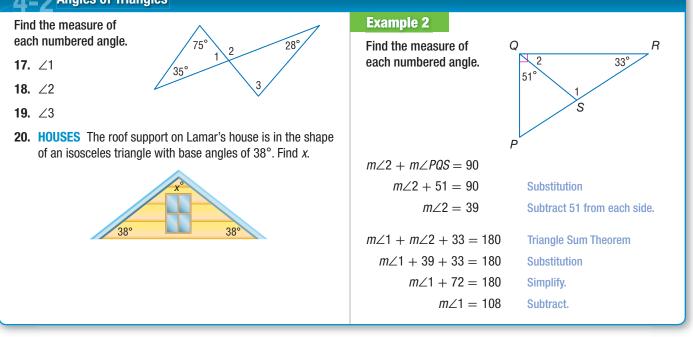


Since the triangle has one obtuse angle, it is an obtuse triangle.



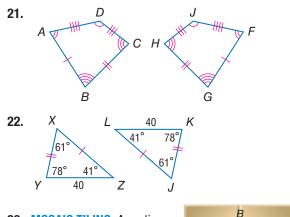
The triangle has three acute angles that are all equal. It is an equiangular triangle.

Angles of Triangles



Congruent Triangles

Show that the polygons are congruent by identifying all congruent corresponding parts. Then write a congruence statement.



23. MOSAIC TILING A section of a mosaic tiling is shown. Name the triangles that appear to be congruent.



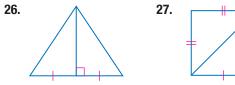
Proving Triangles Congruent—SSS, SAS

Determine whether $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle XYZ$. Explain.

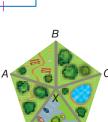
24. *A*(5, 2), *B*(1, 5), *C*(0, 0), *X*(-3, 3), *Y*(-7, 6), *Z*(-8, 1)

25. *A*(3, -1), *B*(3, 7), *C*(7, 7), *X*(-7, 0), *Y*(-7, 4), *Z*(1, 4)

Determine which postulate can be used to prove that the triangles are congruent. If it is not possible to prove that they are congruent, write *not possible*.

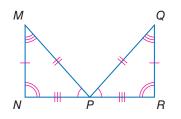


28. PARKS The diagram shows a park in the shape of a pentagon with five sidewalks of equal length leading to a central point. If all the angles at the central point have the same measure, how could you prove that $\triangle ABX \cong \triangle DCX?$



Example 3

Show that the polygons are congruent by identifying all the congruent corresponding parts. Then write a congruence statement.



Angles: $\angle N \cong \angle R, \angle M \cong \angle Q, \angle MPN \cong \angle QPR$ Sides: $\overline{MN} \cong \overline{QR}, \overline{MP} \cong \overline{QP}, \overline{NP} \cong \overline{RP}$

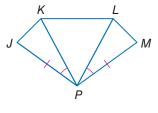
All corresponding parts of the two triangles are congruent. Therefore, $\triangle MNP \cong \triangle QRP$.

Example 4

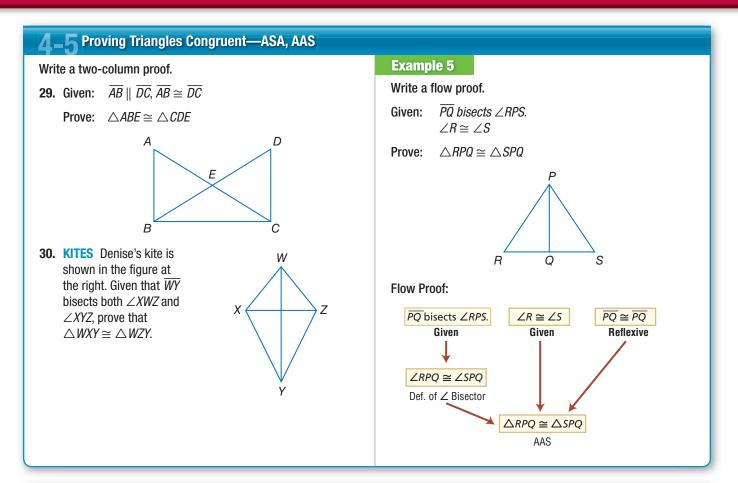
Write a two-column proof.

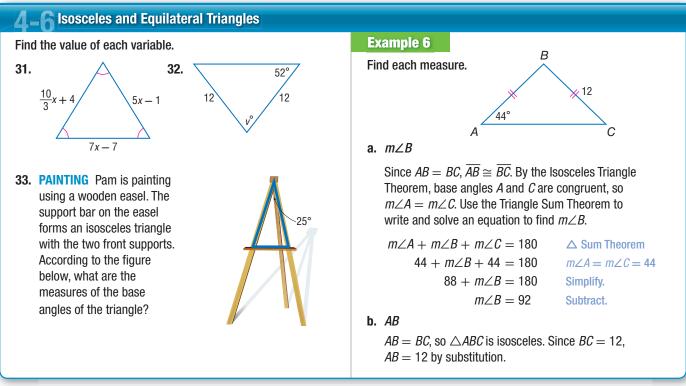
Given: $\triangle KPL$ is equilateral. $\overline{JP} \cong \overline{MP},$ $\angle JPK \cong \angle MPL$

Prove: $\triangle JPK \cong \triangle MPL$



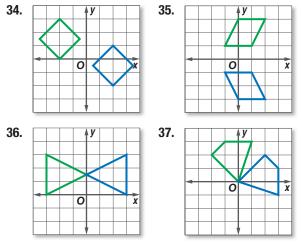






7 Congruence Transformations

Identify the type of congruence transformation shown as a *reflection*, *translation*, or *rotation*.



38. Triangle ABC with vertices A(1, 1), B(2, 3), and C(3, -1) is a transformation of \triangle MNO with vertices M(-1, 1), N(-2, 3), and O(-3, -1). Graph the original figure and its image. Identify the transformation and verify that it is a congruence transformation.

Example 7

Triangle *RST* with vertices R(4, 1), S(2, 5), and T(-1, 0) is a transformation of \triangle *CDF* with vertices C(1, -3), D(-1, 1), and F(-4, -4). Identify the transformation and verify that it is a congruence transformation.

Graph each figure. The transformation appears to be a translation. Find the lengths of the sides of each triangle.

$$RS = \sqrt{(4-2)^2 + (1-5)^2} \text{ or } \sqrt{20}$$

$$TS = \sqrt{(-1-2)^2 + (0-5)^2} \text{ or } \sqrt{34}$$

$$RT = \sqrt{(-1-4)^2 + (0-1)^2} \text{ or } \sqrt{26}$$

$$CD = \sqrt{(-1-1)^2 + [1-(-3)]^2} \text{ or } \sqrt{20}$$

$$DF = \sqrt{[-4-(-1)]^2 + (-4-1)^2} \text{ or } \sqrt{34}$$

$$CF = \sqrt{(-4-1)^2 + [-4-(-3)]^2} \text{ or } \sqrt{26}$$

Since each vertex of $\triangle CDF$ has undergone a transformation 3 units to the right and 4 units up, this is a translation.

Since RS = CD, TS = DF, and RT = CF, $\overline{RS} \cong \overline{CD}$, $\overline{TS} \cong \overline{DF}$, and $\overline{RT} \cong \overline{CF}$. By SSS, $\triangle RST \cong \triangle CDF$.

A__ Triangles and Coordinate Proof

Position and label each triangle on the coordinate plane.

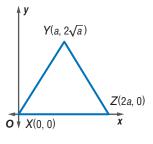
- **39.** right $\triangle MNO$ with right angle at point *M* and legs of lengths *a* and 2*a*.
- **40.** isosceles $\triangle WXY$ with height *h* and base \overline{WY} with length 2*a*.
- **41. GEOGRAPHY** Jorge plotted the cities of Dallas, San Antonio, and Houston as shown. Write a coordinate proof to show that the triangle formed by these cities is scalene.



Example 8

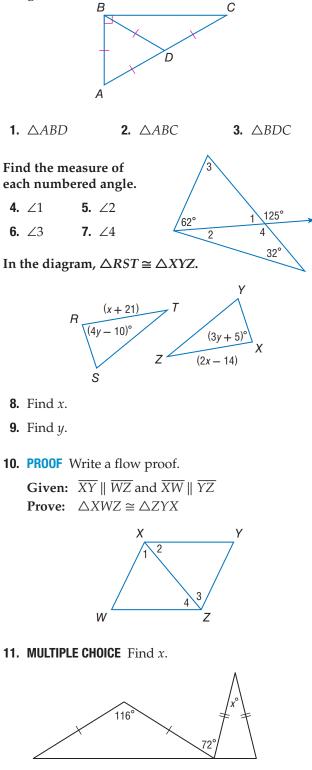
Position and label an equilateral triangle $\triangle XYZ$ with side lengths of 2*a*.

- Use the origin for one of the three vertices of the triangle.
- Place one side of the triangle along the positive side of the *x*-axis.
- The third point should be located above the midpoint of the base of the triangle.



Practice Test

Classify each triangle as *acute*, *equiangular*, *obtuse*, or *right*.



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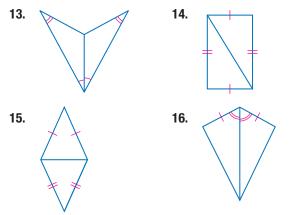
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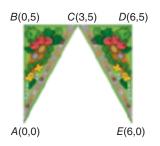
B 32

12. Determine whether $\triangle TJD \cong \triangle SEK$ given T(-4, -2), J(0, 5), D(1, -1), S(-1, 3), E(3, 10), and K(4, 4). Explain.

Determine which postulate or theorem can be used to prove each pair of triangles congruent. If it is not possible to prove them congruent, write *not possible*.



17. LANDSCAPING Angie has laid out a design for a garden consisting of two triangular areas as shown below. The points are A(0, 0), B(0, 5), C(3, 5), D(6, 5), and E(6, 0). Name the type of congruence transformation for the preimage $\triangle ABC$ to $\triangle EDC$.



Find the measure of each numbered angle.

- **20. PROOF** $\triangle ABC$ is a right isosceles triangle with hypotenuse \overline{AB} . *M* is the midpoint of \overline{AB} . Write a coordinate proof to show that \overline{CM} is perpendicular to \overline{AB} .