

Geometry 4.3

Name and use corresponding parts of congruent polygons

Prove triangles congruent using the definition of congruence

$\cong$

congruent *geometrically equal*

corresponding parts

reflexive property

symmetric property

transitive property

$$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AB}$$

$$\overline{CD} \cong \overline{FN}$$

$$\overline{FN} \cong \overline{CD}$$

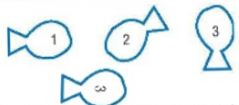

$$a = b \quad b = c$$


then  
 $a = c$

Quiz 4.1-4.2

activity: triangle cutouts  
exploragons

**1 Congruence and Corresponding Parts** If two geometric figures have exactly the same shape and size, they are **congruent**.

Congruent	Not Congruent
 <p>While positioned differently, Figures 1, 2, and 3 are exactly the same shape and size.</p>	 <p>Figures 4 and 5 are exactly the same shape but not the same size. Figures 5 and 6 are the same size but not exactly the same shape.</p>



Fold your strip of paper in half so that  
you can cut two copies

**KeyConcept** Definition of Congruent Polygons

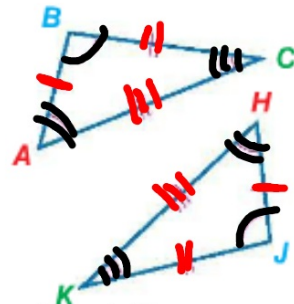
**Words** Two polygons are congruent if and only if their corresponding parts are congruent.

**Example** Corresponding Angles  
 $\angle A \cong \angle H$        $\angle B \cong \angle J$        $\angle C \cong \angle K$

Corresponding Sides  
 $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{HJ}$        $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{JK}$        $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{HK}$

Congruence Statement  
 $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle HJK$

**Model**



~~$\triangle BAC \cong \triangle JKH$~~

$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle HJK$

Valid Statement



Not a Valid Statement



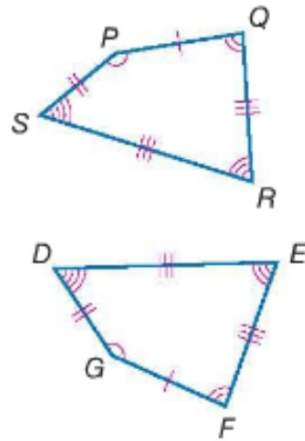
$$\longrightarrow PQRS \cong GFED$$

**Example 1** Identify Corresponding Congruent Parts

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

$$\begin{aligned} \angle S &\cong \angle D \\ \angle P &\cong \angle G \\ \angle Q &\cong \angle F \\ \angle R &\cong \angle E \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \overline{PQ} &= \overline{GF} \\ \overline{QR} &= \overline{FE} \\ \overline{RS} &= \overline{ED} \\ \overline{SP} &= \overline{DG} \end{aligned}$$

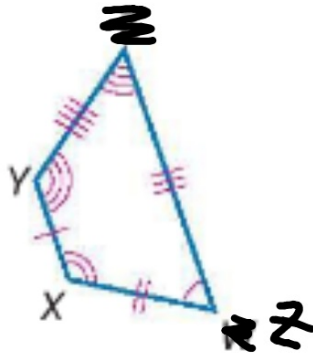
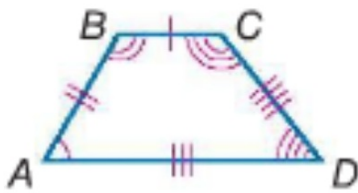


$$ABCD \cong WXYZ$$

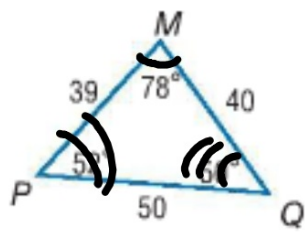
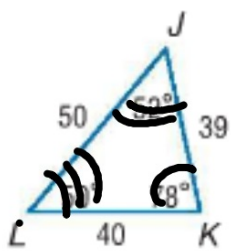
$$ABCD \cong ZXYW$$

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1A.



1B.



The phrase "if and only if" in the congruent polygon definition means that both the conditional and its converse are true. So, if two polygons are congruent, then their corresponding parts are congruent. For triangles, we say Corresponding parts of congruent triangles are congruent, or CPCTC.

if  $F \rightarrow S$

CPCTC

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if  $S \rightarrow F$

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9-25 and

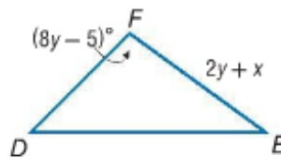
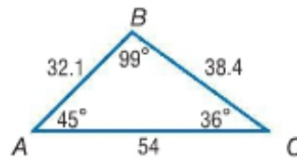
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Identify corresponding parts  
Write/solve an equation

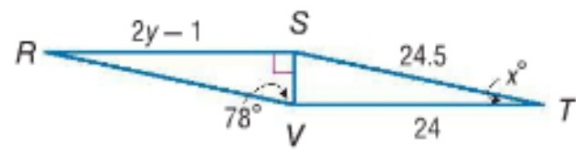
**Example 2** Use Corresponding Parts of Congruent Triangles

In the diagram,  $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DFE$ . Find the values of  $x$  and  $y$ .



**Guided Practice**

2. In the diagram,  $\triangle RSV \cong \triangle TVS$ . Find the values of  $x$  and  $y$ .

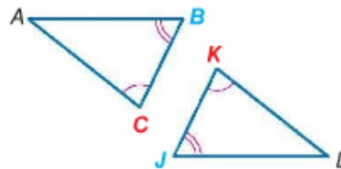


**2 Prove Triangles Congruent** The Triangle Angle-Sum Theorem you learned in Lesson 4-2 leads to another theorem about the angles in two triangles.

**Theorem 4.3 Third Angles Theorem**

**Words:** If two angles of one triangle are congruent to two angles of a second triangle, then the third angles of the triangles are congruent.

**Example:** If  $\angle C \cong \angle K$  and  $\angle B \cong \angle J$ , then  $\angle A \cong \angle L$ .



You will prove this theorem in Exercise 21.

Prove that all corresp parts are congruent

**Example 4** Prove That Two Triangles are Congruent

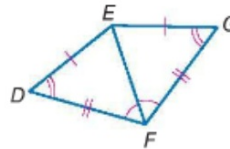


Write a two-column proof.

Given:  $\overline{DE} \cong \overline{GE}$ ,  $\overline{DF} \cong \overline{GF}$ ,  $\angle D \cong \angle G$ ,  
 $\angle DFE \cong \angle GFE$

Prove:  $\triangle DEF \cong \triangle GEF$

Proof:



**Statements**

1.  $\overline{DE} \cong \overline{GE}$ ,  $\overline{DF} \cong \overline{GF}$
2.  $\overline{EF} \cong \overline{EF}$
3.  $\angle D \cong \angle G$ ,  $\angle DFE \cong \angle GFE$
4.  $\angle DEF \cong \angle GEF$
5.  $\triangle DEF \cong \triangle GEF$

**Reasons**

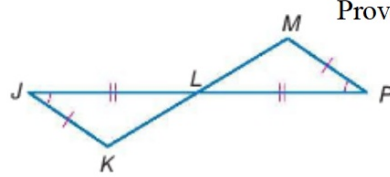
1. Given
2. Reflexive Property of Congruence
3. Given
4. Third Angles Theorem
5. Definition of Congruent Polygons

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4. Write a two column proof.

**Given:**  $\angle J \cong \angle P$ ,  $\overline{JK} \cong \overline{PM}$ ,  
 $\overline{JL} \cong \overline{PL}$ , and  $L$  bisects  $\overline{KM}$ .

**Prove:**  $\triangle JLK \cong \triangle PLM$



Prove all pairs of corresp. parts congruent

Like congruence of segments and angles, congruence of triangles is reflexive, symmetric, and transitive.

**Theorem 4.4** Properties of Triangle Congruence

**Reflexive Property of Triangle Congruence**

$$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle ABC$$

**Symmetric Property of Triangle Congruence**

If  $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle EFG$ , then  $\triangle EFG \cong \triangle ABC$ .

**Transitive Property of Triangle Congruence**

If  $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle EFG$  and  $\triangle EFG \cong \triangle JKL$ , then  $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle JKL$ .

