

Geometry 7.3

Identify similar triangles using the AA, SAS, and SSS

Use similar triangles to solve problems

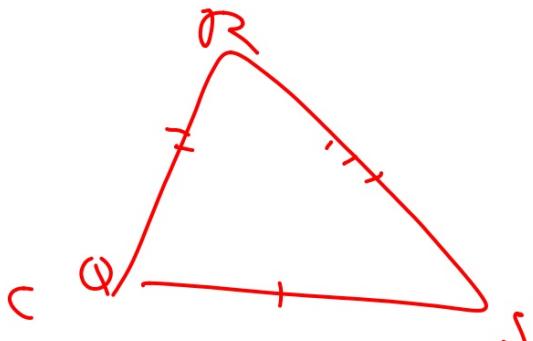
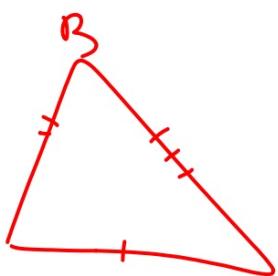
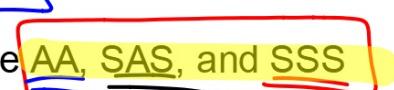
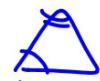
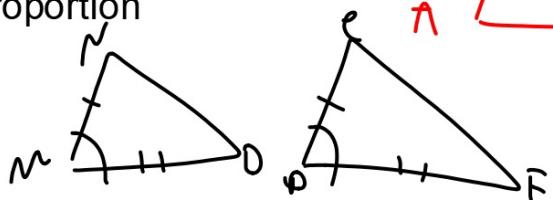
Third angle theorem

SSS

SAS (included angle)

AA

proportion

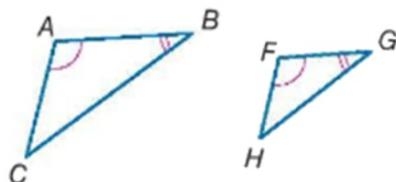
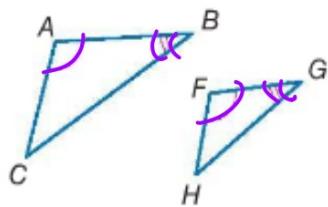


Works only for triangles

Postulate 7.1 Angle-Angle (AA) Similarity

If two angles of one triangle are congruent to two angles of another triangle, then the triangles are similar.

Example If $\angle A \cong \angle F$ and $\angle B \cong \angle G$, then $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle FGH$.

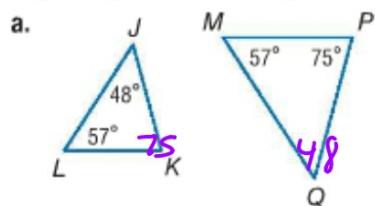


Remember: angle sum must be 180

Example 1 Use the AA Similarity Postulate

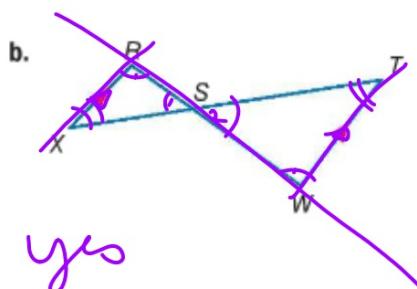


Determine whether the triangles are similar. If so, write a similarity statement. Explain your reasoning.



yes

$$\triangle JKL \sim \triangle QPM$$

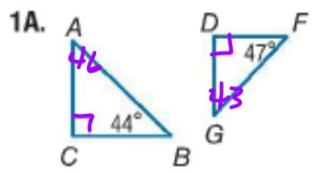


yes

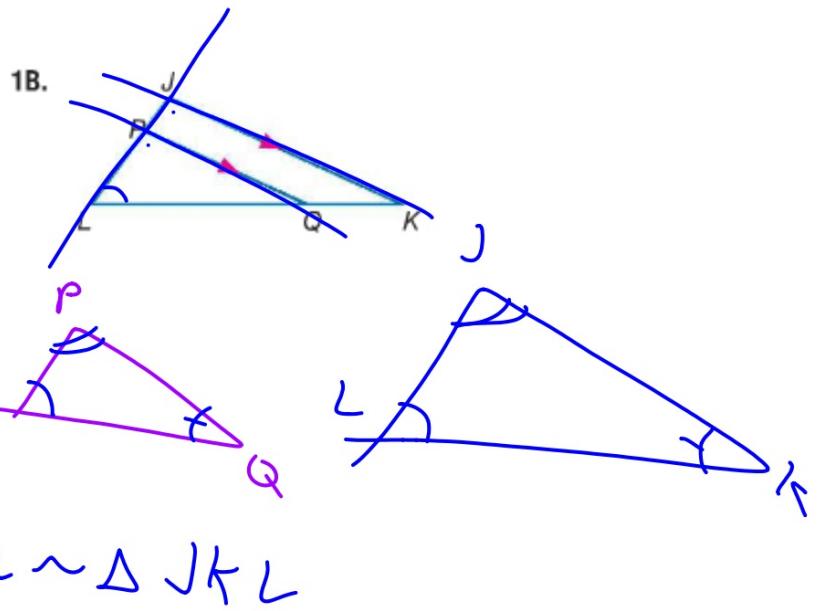
$$\triangle RST \sim \triangle WXS$$

$$\triangle RSW \sim \triangle XWT$$

Guided Practice



No
Corresp \angle s not \cong



Theorems Points on Perpendicular Bisectors

7.2 Side-Side-Side (SSS) Similarity

If the corresponding side lengths of two triangles are proportional, then the triangles are similar.

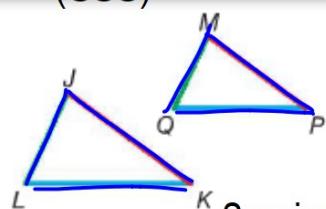
Example If $\frac{JK}{MP} = \frac{KL}{PQ} = \frac{LJ}{QM}$, then $\triangle JKL \sim \triangle MPQ$.

7.3 Side-Angle-Side (SAS) Similarity

If the lengths of two sides of one triangle are proportional to the lengths of two corresponding sides of another triangle and the included angles are congruent, then the triangles are similar.

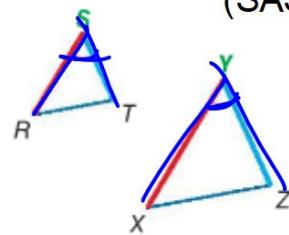
Example If $\frac{RS}{XY} = \frac{ST}{YZ}$ and $\angle S \cong \angle Y$, then $\triangle RST \sim \triangle XYZ$.

All sets of sides must be proportional (SSS) \sim



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2 pairs of sides and INCLUDED angle (SAS)



AA (A)

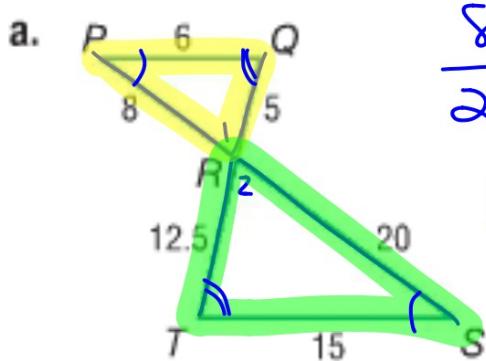
SSS

SAS

Example 2 Use the SSS and SAS Similarity Theorems

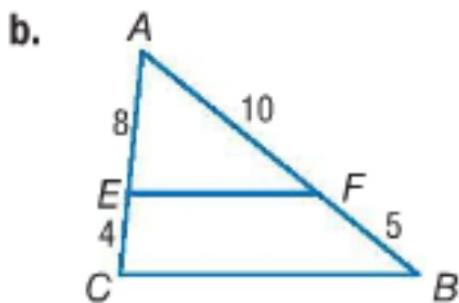
Determine whether the triangles are similar. If so, write a similarity statement. Explain your reasoning.

yes by SAS



$$\frac{8}{20} = \frac{5}{12.5} \quad 100 = 100$$

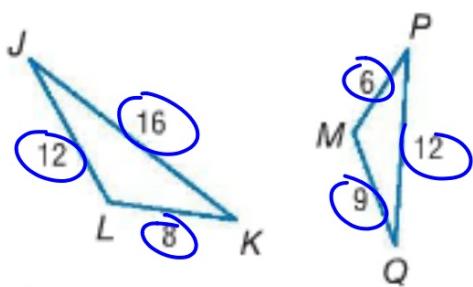
$\Delta PQR \sim \Delta STR$



$$\Delta JLK \sim \Delta QMP$$

~~Guided Practice~~

2A.

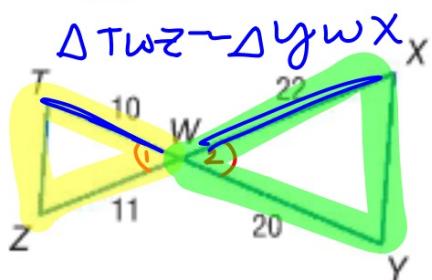


$$\begin{array}{r} 8 \\ 6 \\ \hline 4 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 12 \\ 9 \\ \hline 4 \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{r} 16 \\ 12 \\ \hline 4 \end{array} \quad \text{yes by SSS}$$

SAS, SSS

Yes SAS

2B.



$$\frac{10}{20} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{11}{22}$$

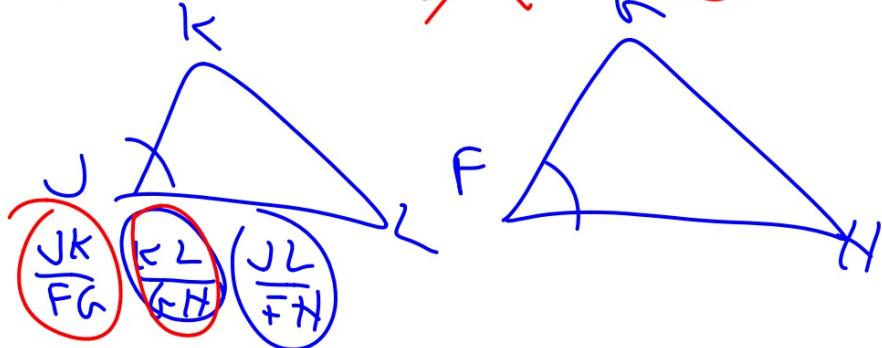
$$220 = 220$$

SAS
AA(A)

We have angles J and F congruent.
What else do we need?
SSS SAS AA...

3. If $\triangle JKL$ and $\triangle FGH$ are two triangles such that $\angle J \cong \angle F$, which of the following would be sufficient to prove that the triangles are similar?

F $\frac{KL}{GH} = \frac{JL}{FH}$ G $\frac{JL}{JK} = \frac{FH}{FG}$ H $\frac{JK}{FG} = \frac{KL}{GH}$ J $\frac{JL}{JK} = \frac{GH}{FG}$



Theorem 7.4 Properties of Similarity

Reflexive Property of Similarity

$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle ABC$$

Symmetric Property of Similarity

If $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$, then $\triangle DEF \sim \triangle ABC$.

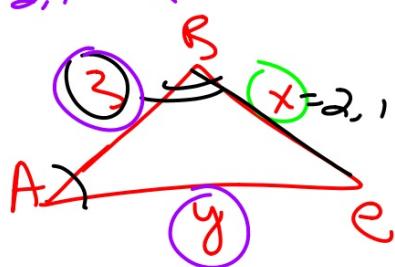
Transitive Property of Similarity

If $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$, and $\triangle DEF \sim \triangle XYZ$,
then $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle XYZ$.

Example 4 Parts of Similar Triangles



Find BE and AD . $\angle B = 75^\circ$

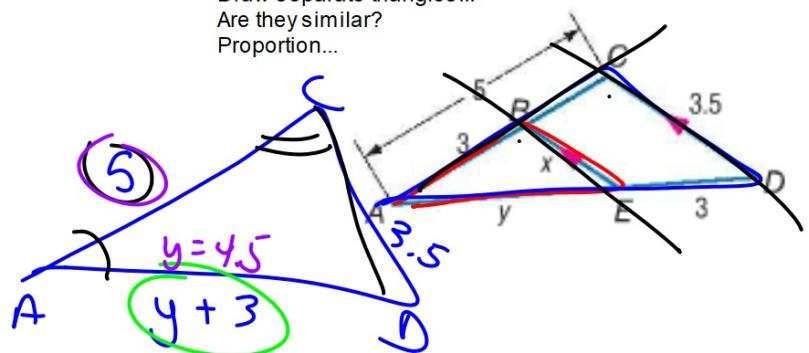


$$\frac{3}{5} = \frac{x}{3.5}$$

$$5x = 10.5$$

$$x = 2.1$$

Draw separate triangles...
Are they similar?
Proportion...



$$\frac{3}{5} \neq \frac{y}{y+3}$$

$$\frac{3y+9}{5y} = \frac{5y}{3y}$$

$$3y + 9 = 5y$$

$$-3y = -3y$$

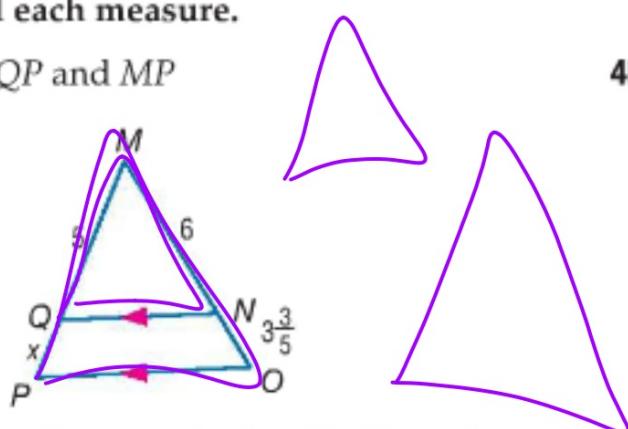
$$9 = 2y$$

$$y = 4.5$$

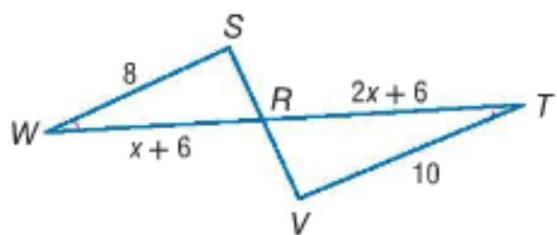
Guided Practice

Find each measure.

4A. QP and MP



4B. WR and RT



Draw 2 separate triangles if overlap

ρ⁴⁸³
1-230N
17-55°