

# SIMILARITY

## 4.1 – RATIOS & PROPORTIONS

### OBJECTIVES:

- WRITE RATIOS; SOLVE APPLICATIONS INVOLVING RATIOS
- USE THE CROSS PRODUCT PROPERTY TO SOLVE PROPORTIONS

### ❖ Ratios

- If  $a$  and  $b$  are two quantities that are measured in the same units, then the ratio of  $a$  to  $b$  is  $\frac{a}{b}$ 
  - Ratios are usually expressed in simplest form.

**EXAMPLE 1:** The perimeter of a rectangle is 60 centimeters. The ratio of the width to the length is 3 : 2.

- a. Find the length and the width.

$$l = 12 \text{ cm} \quad \& \quad w = 18 \text{ cm}$$

- b. Find the area of the rectangle.

$$A = lw$$

$$A = (12)(18) = 216 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$P = 2l + 2w$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$60 = 2(2x) + 2(3x)$$

$$60 = 10x$$

$$6 = x$$

$$\frac{w}{l} = \frac{3x}{2x}$$

### ❖ Proportions

- An equation that equates two ratios is a proportion.

If  $\frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d}$  then  $ad = bc$

- Cross Product Property – The product of the extremes equals the product of the means:

If  $\frac{x+5}{20} = \frac{3}{10}$  then  $(x+5) \cdot 10 = 20 \cdot 3$

**EXAMPLES:** Use the Cross Product Property to solve each proportion. If necessary, round to the nearest hundredth.

2.  $\frac{3x-8}{6} = \frac{2x}{10}$

$$10(3x-8) = 6(2x)$$

$$30x - 80 = 12x$$

$$-80 = -18x$$

$$4.44 \approx \frac{40}{9} = x$$

3.  $\frac{x+3}{3} = \frac{8}{x-2}$

FOIL  $\rightarrow (x+3)(x-2) = 3 \cdot 8$

Combine like terms  $x^2 - 2x + 3x - 6 = 24$

& set equal to zero  $x^2 + x - 30 = 0$

$$(x+6)(x-5) = 0$$

$$x = -6 \text{ or } x = 5$$

Factor & solve.

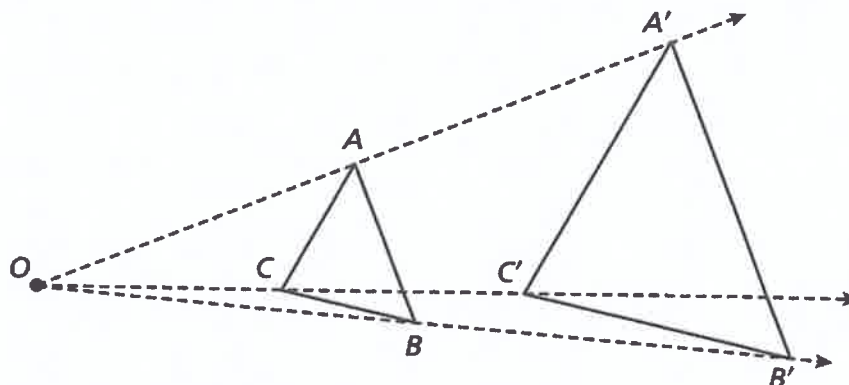
## 4.2 – DILATIONS

### OBJECTIVES:

- DETERMINE THE SCALE FACTOR OF A DILATION
- GIVEN THE PRE-IMAGE, SCALE FACTOR, AND CENTER OF DILATION, GRAPH DILATIONS
- GIVEN THE VERTEX COORDINATES, SCALE FACTOR, AND CENTER OF DILATION, DETERMINE THE COORDINATES OF DILATED FIGURES
- PROVE THAT FIGURES ARE SIMILAR USING TRANSFORMATIONS

### ❖ Dilations

- In the figure below  $\triangle A'B'C'$  is the image of  $\triangle ABC$  after a dilation with center  $O$  and scale factor ?.



- Use a ruler to find the following lengths in millimeters:

$OA =$ <u>45</u>	} MULTIPLY = BY 2 }	$OA' =$ <u>90</u>
$OB =$ <u>50</u>		$OB' =$ <u>100</u>
$OC =$ <u>32</u>		$OC' =$ <u>64</u>
$AB =$ <u>22</u>		$A'B' =$ <u>44</u>
$BC =$ <u>19</u>		$B'C' =$ <u>38</u>
$AC =$ <u>19</u>		$A'C' =$ <u>38</u>

- What do you notice about the lengths of the corresponding sides of the two triangles?

$\triangle A'B'C'$  is twice the size of  $\triangle ABC$   
(of side lengths)

- Use a protractor and find the measures of the corresponding angles.

$m\angle A =$ <u>51°</u>	$m\angle B =$ <u>54°</u>	$m\angle C =$ <u>75°</u>
$m\angle A' =$ <u>51°</u>	$m\angle B' =$ <u>54°</u>	$m\angle C' =$ <u>75°</u>

- What do you notice about the measures of the corresponding angles?

corresponding angles are  $\cong$

- The scale factor,  $k$ , for a dilation is the ratio of a linear measurement of the image to a corresponding measurement of the preimage.

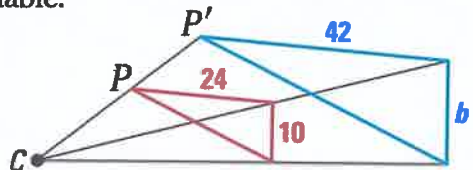
- What is the scale factor of the dilation above?

$$K = \frac{OA'}{OA} = \frac{90}{45} = 2$$

❖ Similarity

- In a dilation, the image and pre-image are **SIMILAR** because they have the same shape – but are different sizes.
  - Corresponding side lengths are **PROPORTIONAL**
    - Similarity ratio – The ratio of any side length in the first figure to the corresponding side length in the second figure. ← the scale factor
  - Corresponding angles are **CONGRUENT**

**EXAMPLE 1:** Find the scale factor of the dilation and then set up and solve a proportion to find the value of the variable.



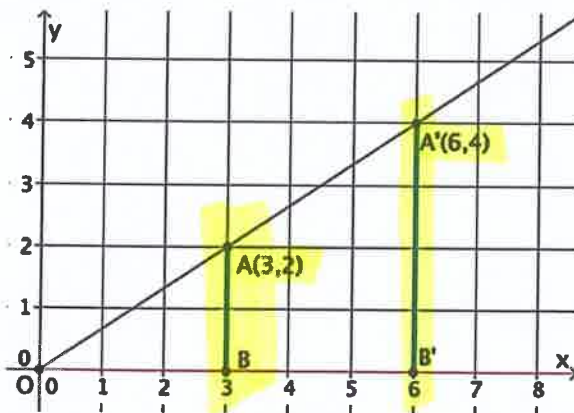
$$K = \frac{42}{24} = \frac{7}{4} = \frac{b}{10}$$

$$4b = 70$$

$$b = 17.5$$

❖ Dilations in the Coordinate Plane with center (0, 0)

- The graph below represents a dilation from center (0, 0) by scale factor  $k = 2$ .



- Compare the pre-image,  $\overline{AB}$ , to the image  $\overline{A'B'}$ . What effect does the dilation have on the coordinates of dilated points?

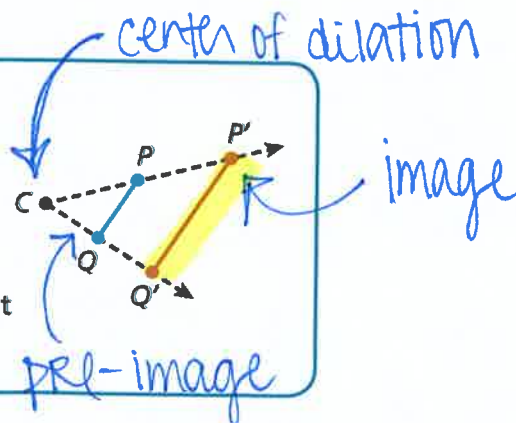
$2 \cdot A(3,2) = A'(6,4)$  the coordinates were multiplied by the scale factor

- ❖ Complete the conjecture: The image of  $(a, b)$  after a dilation with center at the origin and scale factor  $k$  has the coordinates  $(ka, kb)$ .

**Dilations**

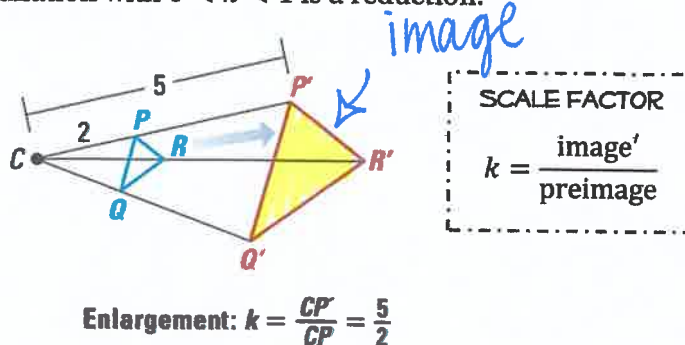
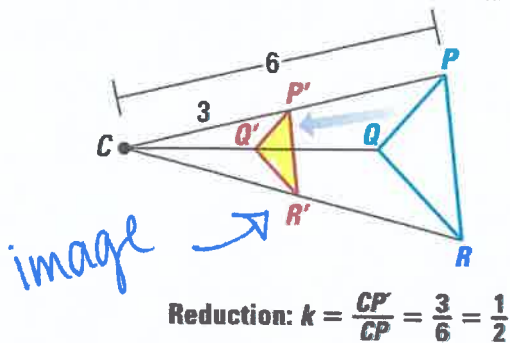
A dilation, or *similarity transformation*, is a transformation in which the lines connecting every point  $P$  with its image  $P'$  all intersect at a point  $C$ , called the **center of dilation**.  $\frac{CP'}{CP}$  is the same for every point  $P$ .

The scale factor  $k$  of a dilation is the ratio of a linear measurement of the image to a corresponding measurement of the preimage. In the figure,  $k = \frac{P'Q'}{PQ}$ .



Scale factor

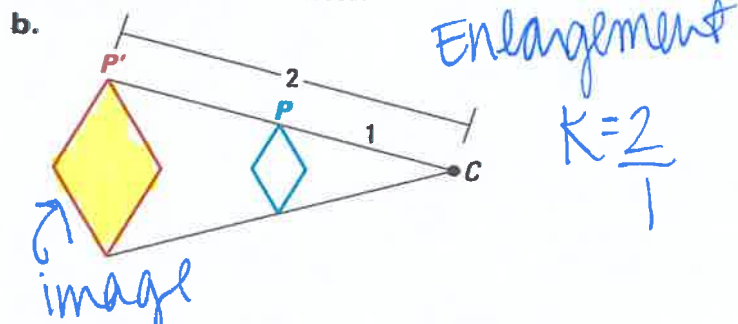
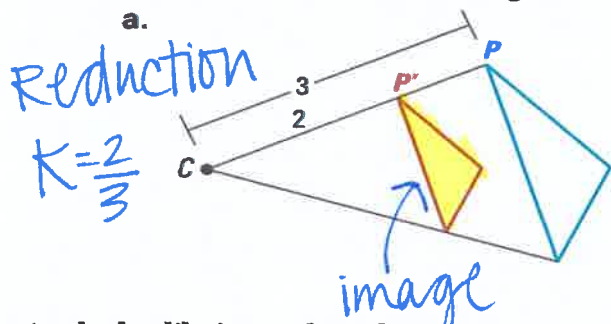
- A dilation with  $k > 1$  is an enlargement. A dilation with  $0 < k < 1$  is a reduction.



SCALE FACTOR  
 $k = \frac{\text{image}'}{\text{preimage}}$

**EXAMPLES -**

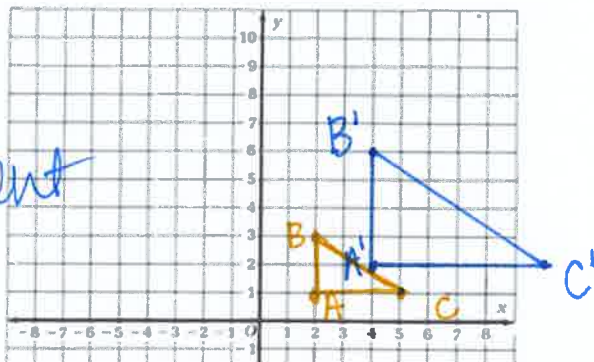
- Identify the dilation as an enlargement or a reduction and find its scale factor.



Apply the dilation to the polygon with the given vertices. Name the coordinates of the image points. Describe the dilation: center, scale factor, enlargement or reduction.

3.  $D: (x, y) \rightarrow (2x, 2y)$

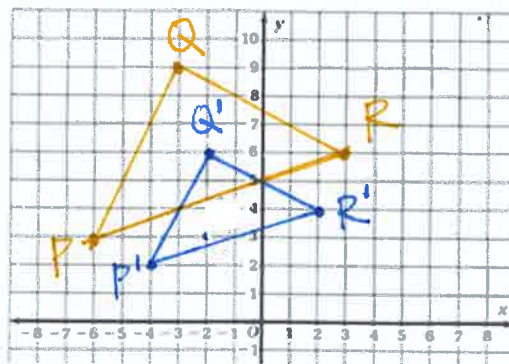
$A(2, 1), B(2, 3), C(5, 1)$



center (0,0)  
 $K=2$   
 Enlargement

4.  $D: (x, y) \rightarrow (\frac{2}{3}x, \frac{2}{3}y)$

$P(-6, 3), Q(-3, 9), R(3, 6)$



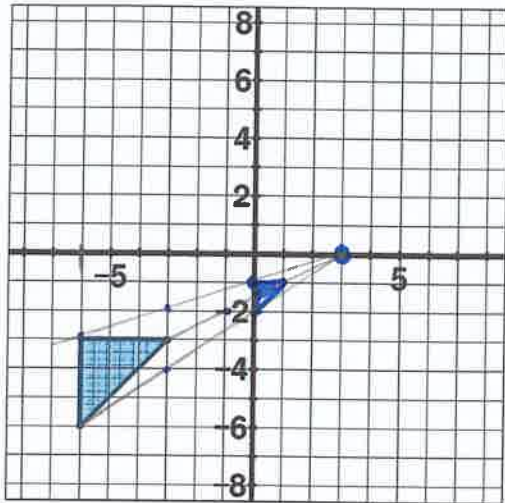
center (0,0)  
 $K = \frac{2}{3}$   
 Reduction

❖ **Constructing Dilations - Center NOT at the Origin**

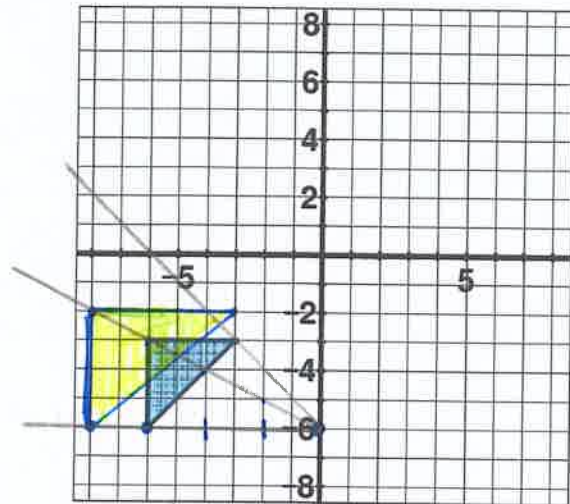
- Plot the center point on the coordinate plane.
- Determine the coordinates of one pre-image point.
  - What is the vertical distance from the center of dilation to the pre-image point?
  - What is the horizontal distance from the center of dilation to the pre-image point?
- Multiply the vertical and horizontal distances by the scale factor to determine the new vertical and horizontal distances.
  - Using these distances, plot your new point starting from the center of dilation.
- Repeat for all vertices.

**EXAMPLES -**

5. Dilate by a scale factor of  $\frac{1}{3}$  with center of dilation at  $(3, 0)$ .

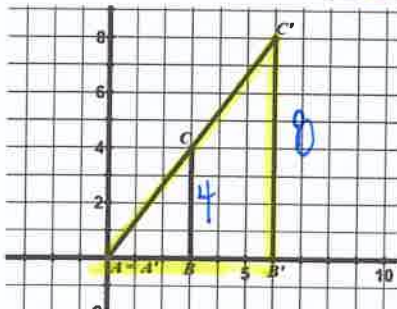


6. Dilate by a scale factor of  $\frac{4}{3}$  with center of dilation at  $(0, -6)$ .

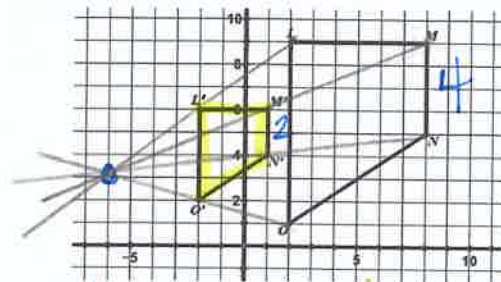


In the following problems, one figure has been dilated to obtain the new figure. Determine the scale factor AND the center of dilation.

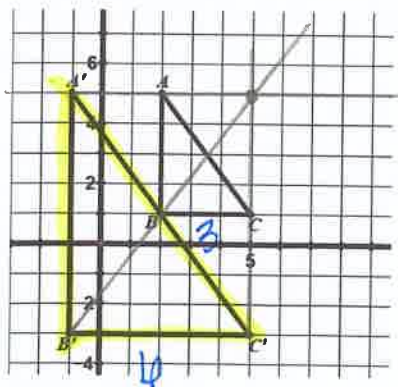
7.  $k = 2$ ; center of dilation:  $(0, 0)$



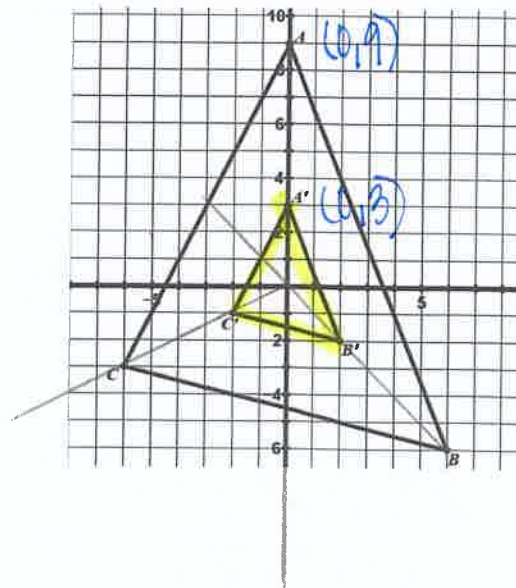
8.  $k = \frac{1}{2}$ ; center of dilation:  $(-6, 3)$



9.  $k = 2$ ; center of dilation:  $(5, 5)$



10.  $k = \frac{1}{3}$ ; center of dilation:  $(0, 0)$



# 4.3 – SIMILARITY TRANSFORMATIONS

## OBJECTIVES:

- EXPLORE THE BASIC CONCEPT OF SIMILARITY AS ILLUSTRATED THROUGH TRANSFORMATIONS
- PROVE THAT FIGURES ARE SIMILAR USING TRANSFORMATIONS

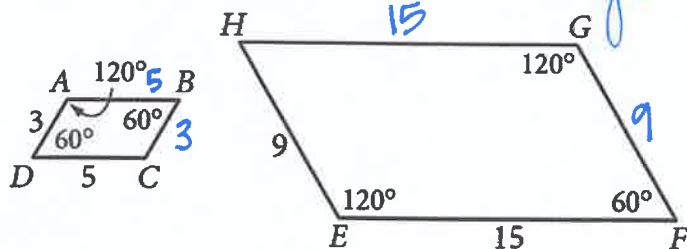
### ❖ Similarity

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  - Corresponding side lengths are **PROPORTIONAL**
    - Similarity ratio – The ratio of any side length in the first figure to the corresponding side length in the second figure.
  - Corresponding angles are **CONGRUENT**
- The order of the vertices in a similarity statement is important. It identifies the corresponding angles and the corresponding sides.

similarity statement	congruent angles	corresponding sides
<p><math>ABCD \sim EFGH</math></p>	$\angle A \cong \angle E$ $\angle B \cong \angle F$ $\angle C \cong \angle G$ $\angle D \cong \angle H$	$\frac{AB}{EF} = \frac{BC}{FG} = \frac{CD}{GH} = \frac{DA}{HE}$

### EXAMPLE: – Finding Unknown Lengths in Similar Polygons

2. Is  $ABCD \sim EFGH$ ? Explain your reasoning.



these are 11 polygons

yes!

CORRS LS are  $\cong$

$$\frac{3}{9} = \frac{5}{15}$$

$$\downarrow \quad \downarrow$$

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{3}$$

corrs. sides are proportional

3. The quadrilaterals below are similar:  $QUAD \sim SIML$

a. If  $QUAD$  is the pre-image, what is the scale factor?

$$K = \frac{8}{20} = \frac{2}{5}$$

b. Find  $m\angle D$ ,  $m\angle U$ , and  $m\angle A$ .

$m\angle D = 120^\circ$      $m\angle U = 85^\circ$      $m\angle A = 80^\circ$   
 $\angle D \cong \angle L$      $\angle U \cong \angle I$      $\angle A \cong \angle M$

c. Use the scale factor to find the unknown sides lengths  $SL$  and  $MI$ .

$SL \rightarrow QD$      $MI \rightarrow AU$

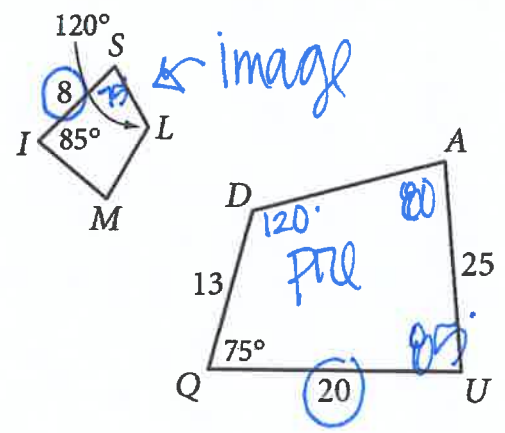
$$\frac{2}{5} = \frac{SL}{13} \qquad \frac{2}{5} = \frac{MI}{25}$$

$$5 \cdot SL = 26$$

$$SL = \frac{26}{5}$$

$$5 \cdot MI = 50$$

$$MI = 10$$



$Q \cong L$

image

❖ Similarity Transformations

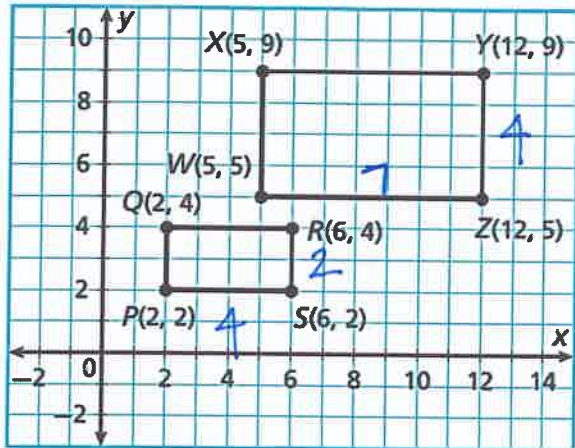
- A dilation or composition of one or more dilations and one or more congruence transformations.
- Two figures are SIMILAR if and only if there is a similarity transformation that maps one figure to the other figure.

**EXAMPLES** – Determining Whether Polygons are Similar

Use the definition of similarity in terms of similarity transformations to determine whether the two figures are similar. Explain your answer.

3. Is  $PQRS \sim WXYZ$ ?

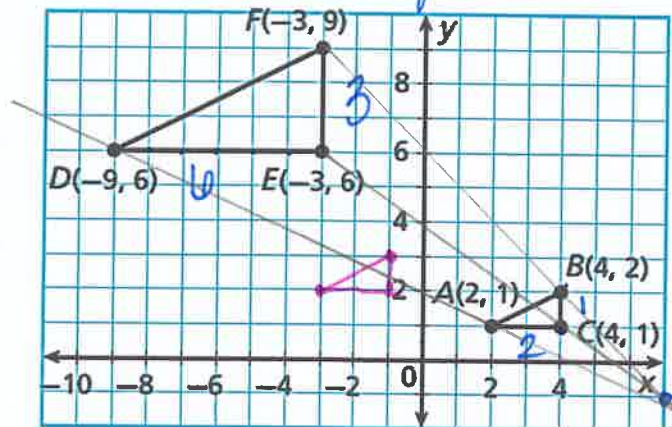
NO



NOT similar  
Corr. sides are NOT proportional

4. Is  $\triangle DEF \sim \triangle ACB$ ?

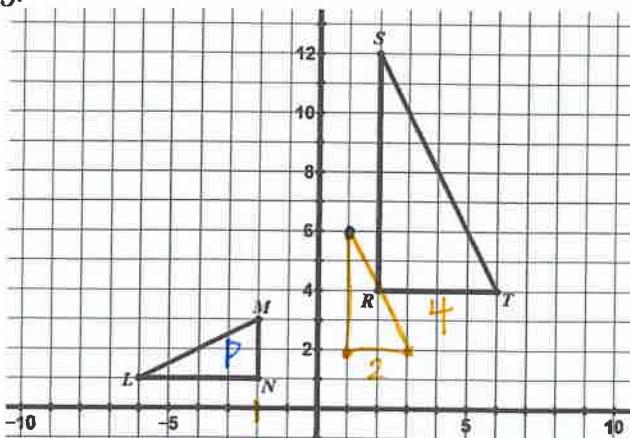
YES



Dilate  $\triangle DEF$ ,  $K=1/3$ , CTR  $(0,0)$   
OR Dilate  $\triangle DEF$ ,  $K=1/3$ , CTR  $(0,0)$   
Translate Right 5 & down 1

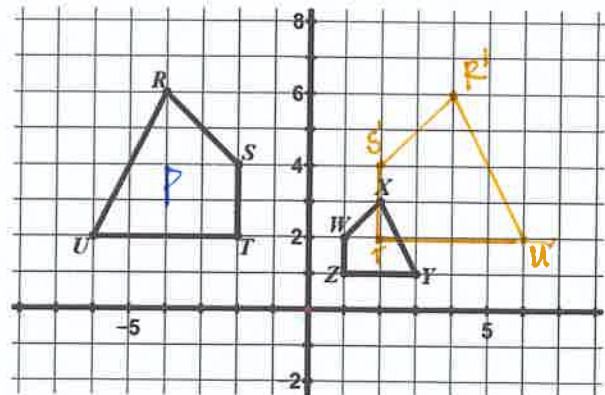
The figures shown are similar. Assume that the figure on the left is the pre-image. List the sequence of transformations that verifies the similarity of the two figures.

5.



Rotate 90° clockwise  
Dilate,  $K=2$ , CTR  $(0,0)$

6.



Reflect over y-axis  
Dilate,  $K=1/2$ , CTR  $(0,0)$

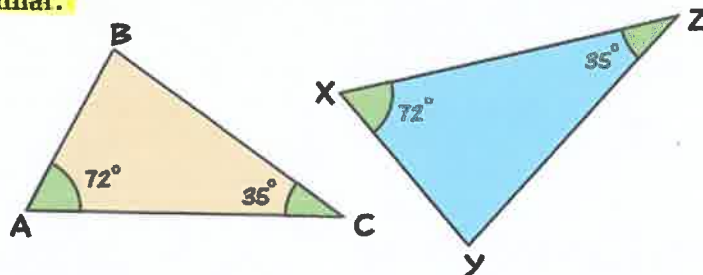
# 4.4 – TRIANGLE SIMILARITY

## OBJECTIVES:

- GIVEN TWO TRIANGLES, EXPLAIN WHY THEY ARE SIMILAR
- GIVEN TWO TRIANGLES AND A SIMILARITY THEOREM, DETERMINE THE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION NEEDED TO PROVE SIMILARITY
- GIVEN TWO TRIANGLES, DETERMINE WHETHER THEY ARE SIMILAR
- USE SCALE FACTOR AND PROPORTIONS TO FIND MISSING SEGMENT LENGTHS IN TRIANGLES

### ❖ Angle-Angle Similarity Postulate (AA)

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



$$\angle A \cong \angle X$$

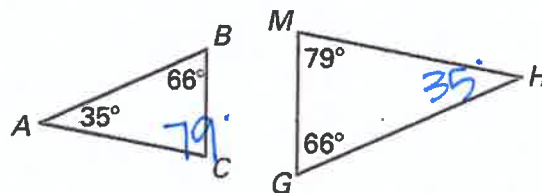
$$\angle C \cong \angle Z$$

$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle XYZ$   
by the AA Similarity Theorem

**EXAMPLE:** Determine whether the triangles are similar. Explain your reasoning. If they are similar write a similarity statement.

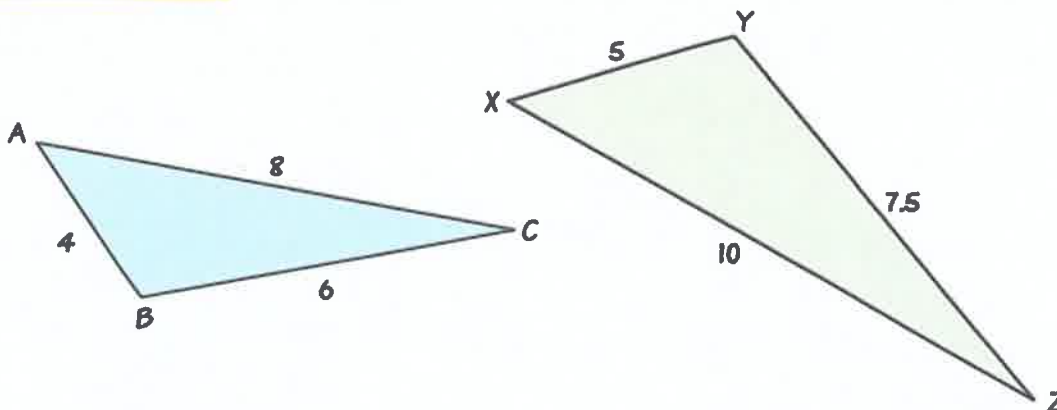
yes  $\angle A \cong \angle H$   
AA  $\angle B \cong \angle G$   
 $\angle C \cong \angle M$

$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle HGM$



### ❖ Side-Side-Side Similarity Postulate (SSS)

➤ If the three sides of one triangle are proportional to the corresponding sides of another, then the triangles are similar.



$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle XYZ$   
by the SSS Similarity Theorem

$$\frac{AB}{XY} = \frac{BC}{YZ} = \frac{AC}{XZ}$$

$$\frac{4}{5} = \frac{6}{7.5} = \frac{8}{10} \rightarrow \frac{4}{5}$$

List the sides out smallest to largest.

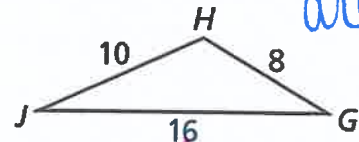
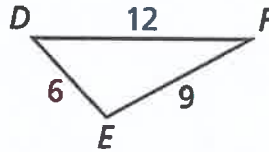
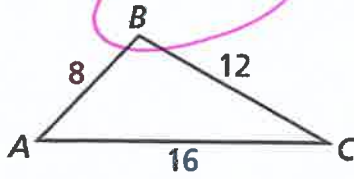
Simplify to show they are proportional.



SSS

**EXAMPLE:** Is either  $\triangle DEF$  or  $\triangle GHJ$  similar to  $\triangle ABC$ ? Explain your reasoning.

corr. sides are proportional

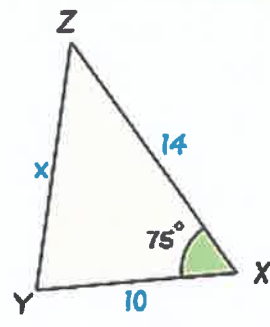
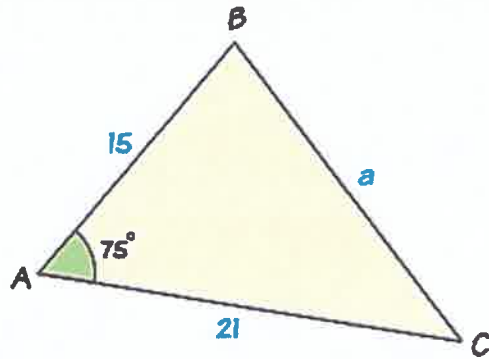


$$\frac{\triangle ABC}{\triangle DEF} = \frac{8}{6} = \frac{4}{3}, \frac{12}{9} = \frac{4}{3}, \frac{16}{12} = \frac{4}{3}$$

$$\frac{\triangle ABC}{\triangle GHJ} = \frac{8}{10} \neq \frac{12}{8} \neq \frac{16}{16}$$

❖ Side-Angle-Side Similarity Postulate (SAS)

➤ If an angle of one triangle is congruent to an angle of a second triangle and the lengths of the sides that include these angles are proportional, then the triangles are similar.



$$\frac{AB}{XY} = \frac{AC}{XZ}$$

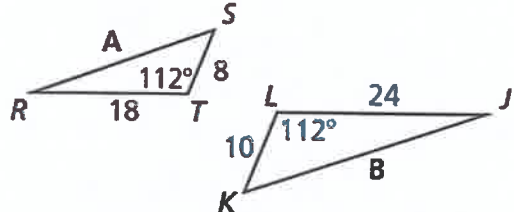
$$\frac{15}{10} = \frac{21}{14} \rightarrow \frac{3}{2}$$

$\angle A \cong \angle X$

$\triangle BAC \sim \triangle YXZ$

by the SAS Similarity Theorem

**EXAMPLE:** Determine whether the two triangles are similar. Explain your reasoning. If they are similar, write a similarity statement.



$\triangle RST \not\sim \triangle LJK$   
not similar

$$\frac{8}{10} = \frac{4}{5}, \frac{18}{24} = \frac{3}{4}$$

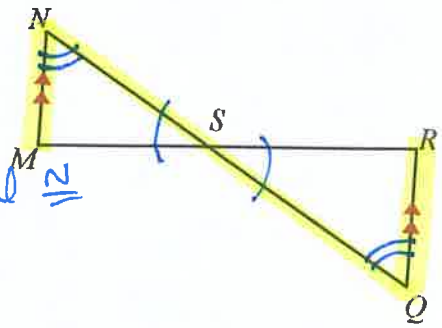
corr. sides are NOT proportional

**EXAMPLES – Determining Similarity**

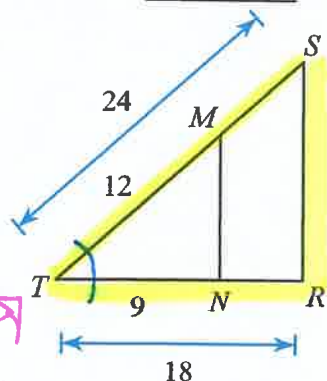
Are the two triangles similar? Explain your reasoning. If they are similar, identify the similarity theorem and complete the similarity statement.

1.  $\triangle SRQ \sim \triangle SMN$

$\angle N \cong \angle Q$  } Alt. int.  $\angle$ s are  $\cong$   
 $\angle M \cong \angle R$  }  
 $\angle NSM \cong \angle QSR$  b/c vert.  $\angle$ s are  $\cong$   
 similar by AA



2.  $\triangle TSR \sim \triangle TMN$

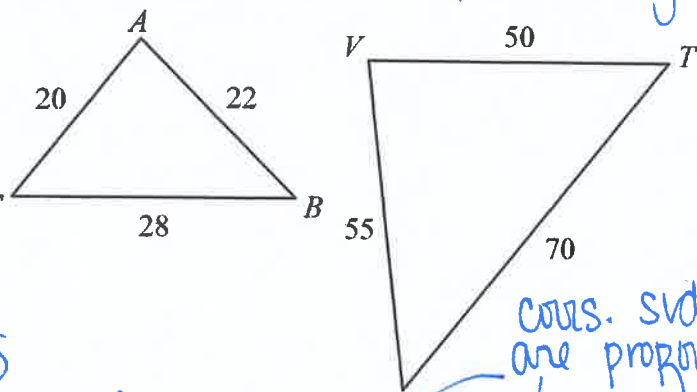


Shared angle

$\angle T \cong \angle T$   
similar by SAS

$\frac{12}{24} = \frac{1}{2}$   $\frac{9}{18} = \frac{1}{2}$   
↑ ↑  
corresponding sides are proportional

3.  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle VUT$

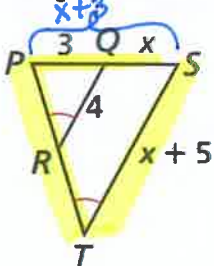


similar by SSS

$\frac{20}{50} = \frac{2}{5}$   $\frac{22}{55} = \frac{2}{5}$   $\frac{28}{70} = \frac{2}{5}$   
corresponding sides are proportional

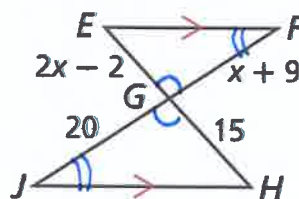
**EXAMPLES** – The triangles are similar. Set up and solve a proportion to find the value of the variable.

4.  $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle PST$



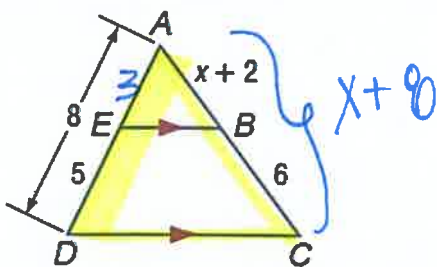
$\frac{3}{x+3} = \frac{4}{x+5}$   
 $3(x+5) = 4(x+3)$   
 $3x+15 = 4x+12$   
 $3 = x$

5.  $\triangle EFG \sim \triangle HJG$



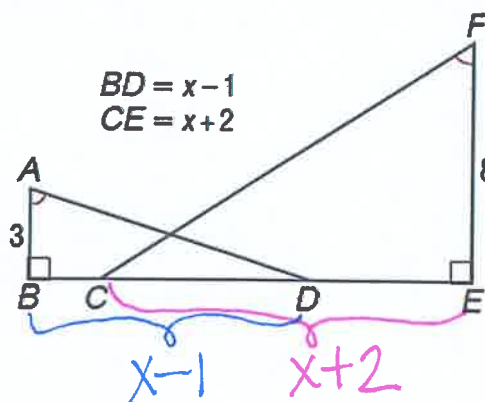
$\frac{20}{x+9} = \frac{15}{2x-2}$   
 $20(2x-2) = 15(x+9)$   
 $40x-40 = 15x+135$   
 $25x = 175$   
 $x = 7$

6.  $\triangle AEB \sim \triangle ADC$



$\frac{3}{8} = \frac{x+2}{x+8}$   
 $3(x+8) = 8(x+2)$   
 $3x+24 = 8x+16$   
 $8 = 5x$   
 $\frac{8}{5} = x$

7.  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle FEC$



$\frac{3}{8} = \frac{x-1}{x+2}$   
 $3(x+2) = 8(x-1)$   
 $3x+6 = 8x-8$   
 $x = \frac{14}{5}$

# 4.5 – SIMILARITY IN RIGHT TRIANGLES

## OBJECTIVE:

- USE THE RIGHT TRIANGLE/ALTITUDE SIMILARITY THEOREM AND THE GEOMETRIC MEAN TO FIND MISSING SIDE AND SEGMENTS LENGTHS OF SIMILAR RIGHT TRIANGLES AND SOLVE APPLICATION PROBLEMS

### Geometric Mean

- For any two positive numbers  $a$  and  $b$ , the geometric mean is the positive number  $x$  such that:  $\frac{a}{x} = \frac{x}{b}$

**EXAMPLES** – Find the geometric mean between the following numbers. If necessary, express as a radical in simplest form.

1. 5 and 8

$$\frac{5}{x} = \frac{x}{8}$$

$$x^2 = 40$$

$$x = \sqrt{40}$$

$$x = 2\sqrt{10}$$

2. 4 and 18

$$\frac{4}{x} = \frac{x}{18}$$

$$x^2 = 72$$

$$x = \sqrt{72}$$

$$x = 6\sqrt{2}$$

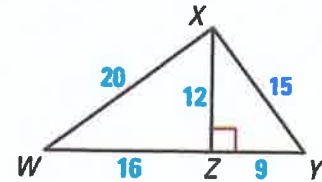


### Introduction

- Explain how  $\triangle XZW \sim \triangle YZX \sim \triangle YXW$

SAS or SSS  
all 3  $\triangle$ s have a RT  $\angle$

short leg:  $\frac{12}{10} = \frac{3}{4}$   
long leg:  $\frac{9}{12} = \frac{3}{4}$   
hypotenuse:  $\frac{15}{20} = \frac{3}{4}$



### Right Triangle/Altitude Similarity Theorem

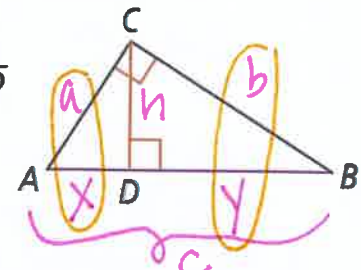
- If an altitude is drawn to the hypotenuse of a right triangle, then the two triangles formed are similar to the original triangle and to each other.

### Right Triangle Altitude/Hypotenuse Theorem

- The measure of the altitude (drawn from the vertex of the right angle of a right triangle to its hypotenuse) is the geometric mean between the measures of the two segments of the hypotenuse.

- Let  $h$  = altitude  $\overline{CD}$
- Let  $x$  &  $y$  = the two segments of the hypotenuse:  $\overline{AD}$  &  $\overline{BD}$

GEOMETRIC MEAN:  $\frac{CD}{AD} = \frac{BD}{CD} \Leftrightarrow \frac{h}{x} = \frac{y}{h} \Rightarrow h^2 = xy$



### Right Triangle Altitude/Leg Theorem

- If the altitude is drawn to the hypotenuse of a right triangle, each leg of the right triangle is the geometric mean of the hypotenuse and the segment of the hypotenuse adjacent to the leg.

- Let  $a$  = leg  $\overline{AC}$  and  $x$  = segment  $\overline{AD}$
- Let  $b$  = leg  $\overline{BC}$  and  $y$  = segment  $\overline{BD}$
- Let  $c$  = hypotenuse  $\overline{AB}$
- Let  $c$  = hypotenuse  $\overline{AB}$

GEOMETRIC MEAN:  $\frac{AC}{AB} = \frac{AD}{AC} \Leftrightarrow \frac{a}{c} = \frac{x}{a} \Rightarrow a^2 = xc$

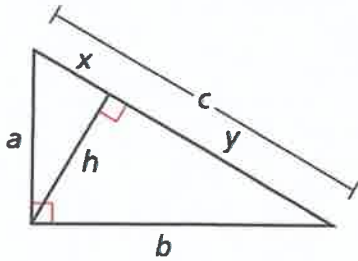
GEOMETRIC MEAN:  $\frac{BC}{AB} = \frac{BD}{BC} \Leftrightarrow \frac{b}{c} = \frac{y}{b} \Rightarrow b^2 = yc$

$$a^2 = xc$$

$$b^2 = yc$$

❖ You can label a diagram as shown below.

- The legs are  $a$  &  $b$ , the hypotenuse is  $c$ , and the altitude is  $h$ .
  - Notice that segment  $x$  is adjacent to leg  $a$ , and that segment  $y$  is adjacent to leg  $b$ .



Altitude/Hypotenuse

$$\frac{h}{x} = \frac{y}{h} \Rightarrow h^2 = xy$$

Altitude/Leg

$$\frac{a}{c} = \frac{x}{a} \Rightarrow a^2 = cx$$

$$\frac{b}{c} = \frac{y}{b} \Rightarrow b^2 = cy$$

Additional Formulas

$$x + y = c$$

You can also use the Pythagorean Theorem for any of the right triangles.

**EXAMPLES** – Find the value of the variable(s). If necessary, express as a radical in simplest form.

3.  $c=30$   
 $x=27$   $y=3$   $h=9$   $a=w$   $b=v$

KNOW  
 $h=9$   
 $y=3$

$$h^2 = xy$$

$$9^2 = x \cdot 3$$

$$81 = 3x$$

$$x = 27 = w$$

\* therefore  
 $c = 27 + 3 = 30$

$$a^2 = cx$$

$$a^2 = 30 \cdot 27$$

$$a^2 = 810$$

$$a = \sqrt{810} = 9\sqrt{10} = w$$

$$b^2 = cy$$

$$b^2 = 30 \cdot 3$$

$$b^2 = 90$$

$$b = 3\sqrt{10} = v$$

4.  $c=k+21$   
 $a=10$   $h$   $x=k$   $y=21$   $b$

KNOW

$$a^2 = cx$$

$$10^2 = k(k+21)$$

$$100 = k^2 + 21k$$

$$0 = k^2 + 21k - 100$$

$$0 = (k+25)(k-4)$$

$$k = -25 \text{ OR } k = 4$$

5.  $h=3w$   
 $a$   $h$   $x=2w$   $y=4w+3$   $b$   $c$

$$h^2 = xy$$

$$(3w)^2 = 2w(4w+3)$$

$$9w^2 = 8w^2 + 6w$$

$$w^2 - 6w = 0$$

$$w(w-6) = 0$$

$$w = 0 \text{ OR } w = 6$$

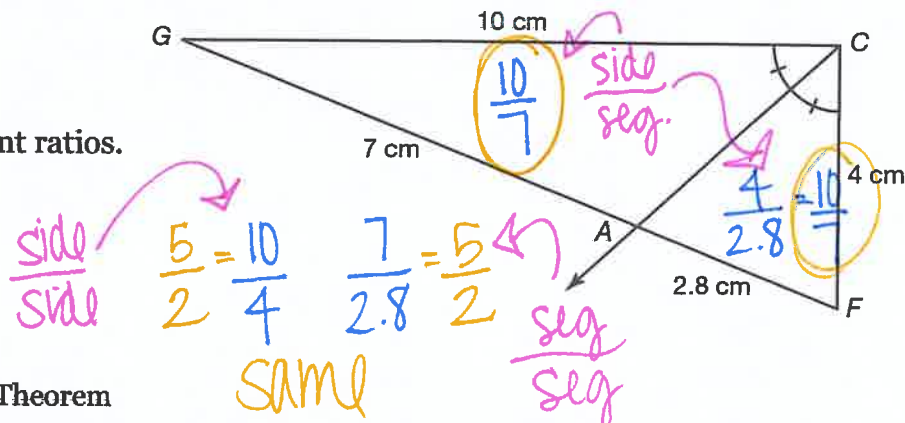
# 4.6 – PROPORTIONALITY THEOREMS

## OBJECTIVES:

- USE THE ANGLE BISECTOR/PROPORTIONAL SIDE THEOREM TO CALCULATE SEGMENT LENGTHS IN TRIANGLES
- USE THE TRIANGLE PROPORTIONALITY THEOREM TO CALCULATE SEGMENT LENGTHS IN TRIANGLES
- USE THE PROPORTIONAL SEGMENTS THEOREM AND THE TRIANGLE MIDSEGMENT THEOREM TO DETERMINE MISSING SEGMENT LENGTHS

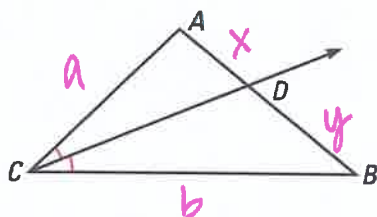
### ❖ Introduction:

- Given:  $\overrightarrow{CA}$  bisects  $\angle GCF$ 
  - Calculate various segment ratios.
  - What do you notice?



### ❖ Angle Bisector/Proportional Side Theorem

- A bisector of an angle in a triangle divides the opposite side into two segments whose lengths are in the same ratio as the lengths of the sides adjacent to the angle.

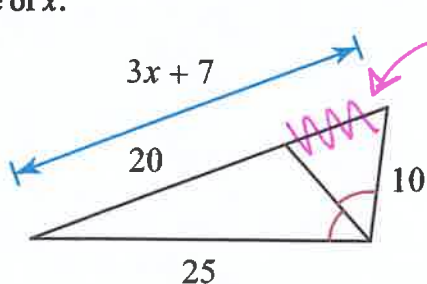


If  $\overrightarrow{CD}$  bisects  $\angle ACB$ , then  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{CA}{CB}$ .

$$\frac{a}{x} = \frac{b}{y} \quad \text{OR} \quad \frac{x}{y} = \frac{a}{b}$$

**EXAMPLES** – Use the Angle Bisector/Proportional Side Theorem to set up and solve a proportion to find the value of  $x$ .

1.



$$3x + 7 - 20 = 3x - 13$$

$$\frac{20}{25} = \frac{3x - 13}{10}$$

$$20 \cdot 10 = 25(3x - 13)$$

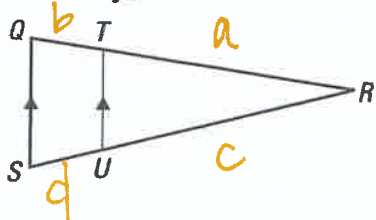
$$200 = 75x - 325$$

$$525 = 75x$$

$$x = 7$$

### ❖ Triangle Proportionality Theorem

- If a line parallel to one side of a triangle intersects the other two sides, then it divides the two sides proportionally.

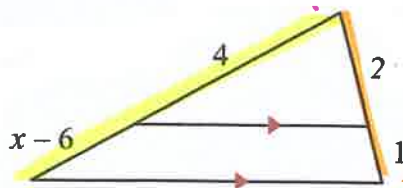


If  $\overline{TU} \parallel \overline{QS}$ , then  $\frac{RT}{TQ} = \frac{RU}{US}$ . *switch w/ b/d*

$$\frac{\text{seg}}{\text{seg}} : \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} \quad \frac{\text{part}}{\text{whole}} = \frac{a}{a+b} = \frac{c}{c+d}$$

**EXAMPLES** – Use the Triangle Proportionality Theorem to set up and solve a proportion to find the value of  $x$ .

2.



$$\frac{4}{x-6} = \frac{2}{1}$$

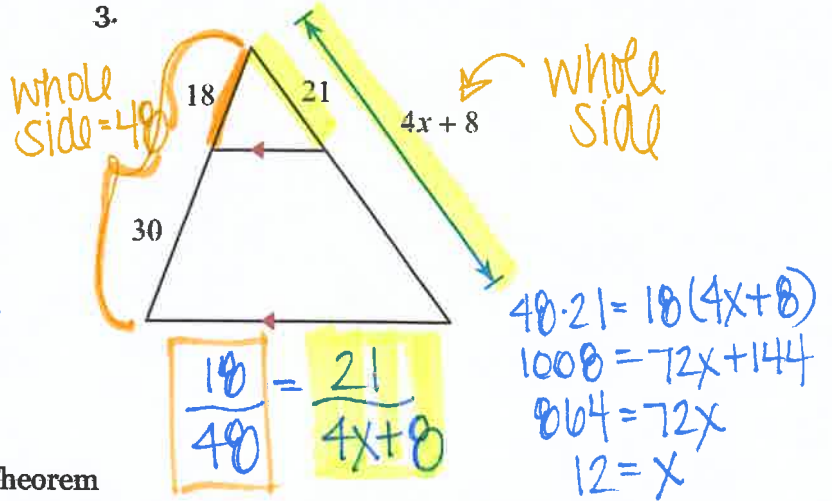
$$2(x-6) = 4$$

$$2x - 12 = 4$$

$$2x = 16$$

$$x = 8$$

3.



$$\frac{18}{48} = \frac{21}{4x+8}$$

$$48 \cdot 21 = 18(4x+8)$$

$$1008 = 72x + 144$$

$$864 = 72x$$

$$12 = x$$

❖ **Converse of the Triangle Proportionality Theorem**

➤ If a line divides two sides of a triangle proportionally, then it is parallel to the third side.

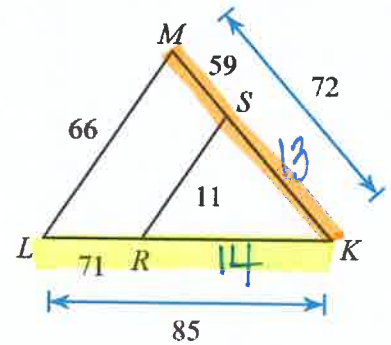
4. Use the Converse of the Triangle Proportionality Theorem and determine whether  $\overline{LM} \parallel \overline{RS}$ . Are the segments of the sides proportional?

$$\frac{59}{13} \stackrel{?}{=} \frac{71}{14}$$

$$59 \cdot 14 \stackrel{?}{=} 13 \cdot 71$$

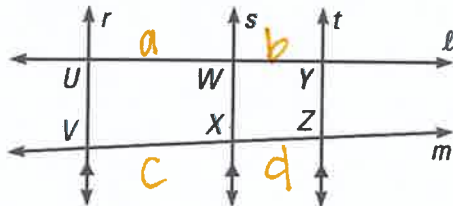
$$826 \neq 923$$

NO



❖ **Proportional Segments Theorem**

➤ If three parallel lines intersect two transversals, then they divide the transversals proportionally.



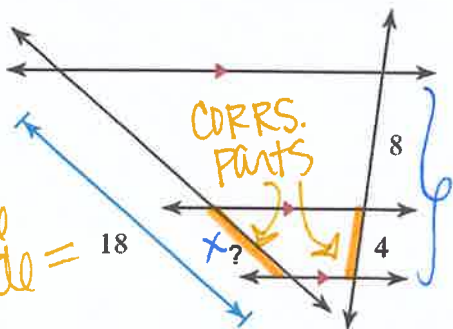
If  $r \parallel s$  and  $s \parallel t$ , and  $l$  and  $m$

intersect  $r$ ,  $s$ , and  $t$ , then  $\frac{UW}{WY} = \frac{VX}{XZ}$ .

$$\frac{a}{c} = \frac{b}{d} \text{ OR } \frac{a}{b} = \frac{c}{d} \text{ or } \frac{\text{part}}{\text{whole}}$$

**EXAMPLES** – Use the Proportional Segments Theorem to set up and solve a proportion.

5. Find the indicated segment length.



whole side = 18

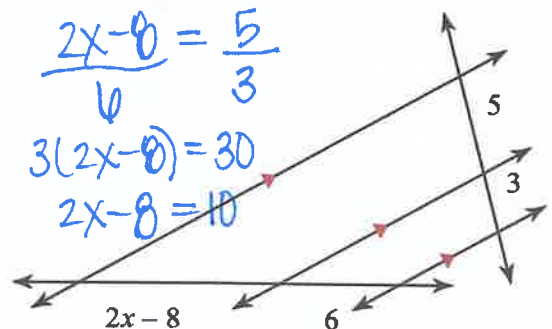
12 = whole side

$$\frac{x}{18} = \frac{4}{12}$$

$$12x = 72$$

$$x = 6$$

6. Find the value of  $x$ .



$$\frac{2x-8}{6} = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$3(2x-8) = 30$$

$$2x-8 = 10$$

$$2x = 18$$

$$x = 9$$

❖ Midsegments

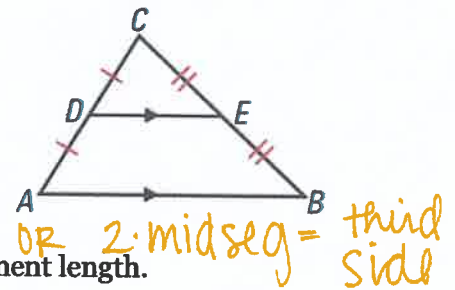
➤ Midsegment (of a triangle)—A segment that connects the midpoints of two sides of a triangle.

❖ The Triangle Midsegment Theorem

➤ The midsegment of a triangle is parallel to the third side of the triangle and is half the measure of the third side of the triangle.

In  $\triangle ABC$ , if  $CD = DA$  and  $CE = EB$ ,  
then  $\overline{DE} \parallel \overline{AB}$  and  $DE = \frac{1}{2}AB$ .

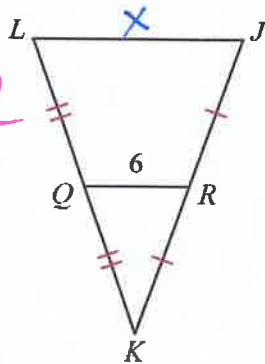
midseg =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (third side)



**EXAMPLES** – Use the Triangle Midsegment Theorem to find the indicated segment length.

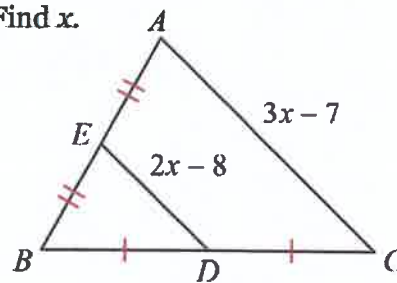
7. Find  $LJ$

$2 \cdot 6 = \frac{1}{2}x \cdot 2$   
 $LJ = 12 = x$



8. Find  $x$ .

$2(2x - 8) = 3x - 7$   
 $4x - 16 = 3x - 7$   
 $x = 9$



## 4.7 – APPLICATIONS WITH SIMILAR FIGURES

**OBJECTIVES:**

- APPLY PROPERTIES OF SIMILAR FIGURES TO CALCULATE INDIRECT MEASUREMENTS IN REAL WORLD CONTEXTS
- USE PROPORTIONS TO SOLVE PROBLEMS INVOLVING PERIMETER AND AREA OF SIMILAR FIGURES

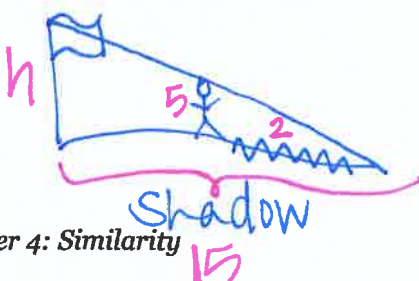
❖ Indirect Measurement

➤ At times, measuring something directly is impossible, or physically undesirable. When these situations arise, indirect measurement, the technique that uses proportions to calculate measurement, can be implemented.

- Your knowledge of similar triangles can be very helpful in these situations.

**EXAMPLES** – Set up and solve a proportion that models the scenario.

1. A 5-foot tall student stands near a flagpole. The flagpole and the student are perpendicular to the ground. The sun's rays strike the flagpole and the student at the same angle. The flagpole casts a 15-foot shadow, and the student casts a 2-foot shadow. Use indirect measurement to find the height of the flagpole.



height  
shadow

$\frac{h}{15} = \frac{5}{2}$   
 $2h = 75$   
 $h = 37.5 \text{ feet}$

❖ Investigation: Perimeters & Areas of Similar Figures

a. Find the scale factor,  $k$ , for the pair of triangles.

$$K = \frac{10}{5} = 2$$

b. Find the perimeter of the first triangle.

$$P = 3 + 4 + 5 = 12$$

c. Find the perimeter of the second triangle.

$$P = 6 + 8 + 10 = 24$$

d. Find the ratio of the perimeters.

$$K = \frac{24}{12} = 2$$

e. What do you notice about the scale factor and the ratio of the perimeters?

scale factor of perimeters = scale factor

f. Complete the conjecture: If the scale factor of two similar figures is  $\frac{a}{b}$ , then the ratio of their perimeters is  $\frac{a}{b}$ .

g. Find the area of the first triangle.

$$A = \frac{1}{2}bh = \frac{1}{2}(3)(4) = 6$$

h. Find the area of the second triangle.

$$A = \frac{1}{2}(6)(8) = 24$$

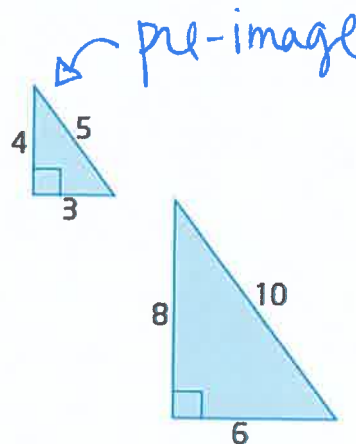
i. Find the ratio of the areas.

$$K = \frac{24}{6} = 4$$

j. What do you notice about the scale factor and the ratio of the areas?

scale factor of areas = (scale factor)<sup>2</sup>

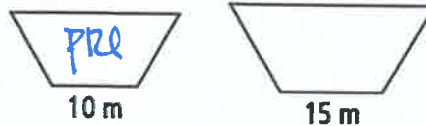
k. Complete the conjecture: If the scale factor of two similar figures is  $\frac{a}{b}$ , then the ratio of their areas is  $\frac{a^2}{b^2}$ .



**EXAMPLES:**

2. The figures in each pair are similar. Compare the first figure to the second. Give the ratio of the perimeters and the ratio of the areas.

$$K = \frac{15}{10} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{perimeters} = \frac{3}{2} \quad \text{areas} = \frac{9}{4}$$



3. The figures in each pair are similar. The area of the larger pentagon: 135 cm<sup>2</sup>. Find the area of the other figure to the nearest whole number.

$$K = \frac{8}{24} = \frac{1}{3} \quad K_{\text{area}} = \frac{1}{9} = \frac{x}{135}$$

$$9x = 135$$

$$x = 15 \text{ cm}^2$$

