# **5 Relationships in Triangles**

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# What You'll Learn

- **Lesson 5-1** Identify and use perpendicular bisectors, angle bisectors, medians, and altitudes of triangles.
- **Lesson 5-2** Apply properties of inequalities relating to the measures of angles and sides of triangles.
- **Lesson 5-3** Use indirect proof with algebra and geometry.
- **Lessons 5-4 and 5-5** Apply the Triangle Inequality Theorem and SAS and SSS inequalities.

### Why It's Important

There are several relationships among the sides and angles of triangles. These relationships can be used to compare the length of a person's stride and the rate at which that person is walking or running. *In Lesson 5-5, you will learn how to use the measure of the sides of a triangle to compare stride and rate.* 

### Key Vocabulary

- perpendicular bisector (p. 238)
- median (p. 240)
- altitude (p. 241)
- indirect proof (p. 255)

# **Getting Started**

Prerequisite Skills To be successful in this chapter, you'll need to master these skills and be able to apply them in problem-solving situations. Review these skills before beginning Chapter 5.

#### For Lesson 5-1

#### Midpoint of a Segment

Find the coordinates of the midpoint of a segment with the given endpoints. *(For review, see Lesson 1-3.)* 

**1.** A(-12, -5), B(4, 15) **2.** C(-22, -25), D(10, 10) **3.** E(19, -7), F(-20, -3)

#### For Lesson 5-2

**Exterior Angle Theorem** 

Find the measure of each numbered angle if  $\overline{AB} \perp \overline{BC}$ . (For review, see Lesson 4-2.)

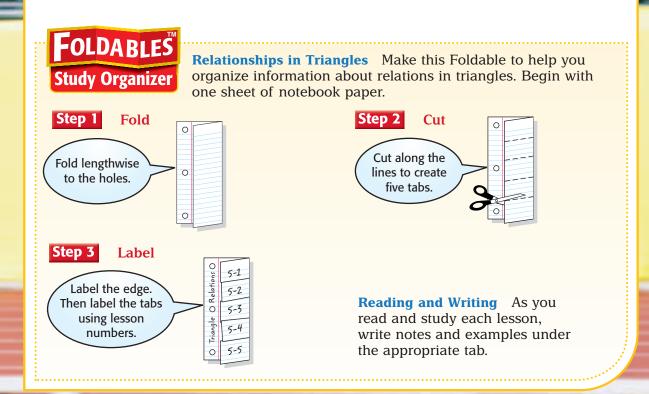
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#### For Lesson 5-3

#### **Deductive Reasoning**

Determine whether a valid conclusion can be reached from the two true statements using the Law of Detachment. If a valid conclusion is possible, state it. If a valid conclusion does not follow, write *no conclusion*. (For review, see Lesson 2-4.)

- **12.** (1) If the three sides of one triangle are congruent to the three sides of a second triangle, then the triangles are congruent.
  - (2)  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle PQR$  are congruent.
- 13. (1) The sum of the measures of the angles of a triangle is 180.(2) Polygon *JKL* is a triangle.



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**Geometry Activity** 

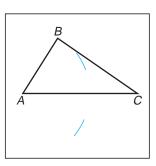
# Bisectors, Medians, and Altitudes

You can use the constructions for midpoint, perpendiculars, and angle bisectors to construct special segments in triangles.

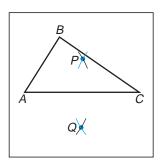
#### **Construction** 1 Construct the bisector of a side of a triangle.

1 Draw a triangle like  $\triangle ABC$ . Adjust the compass to an opening greater than  $\frac{1}{2}AC$ . Place the compass at

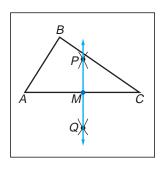
vertex A, and draw an arc above and below  $\overline{AC}$ .



 Using the same compass settings, place the compass at vertex C. Draw an arc above and below AC.
 Label the points of intersection of the arcs P and Q.



Use a straightedge to draw PQ. Label the point where PQ bisects AC as M.



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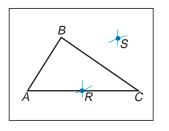
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 $\overline{AM} \cong \overline{MC}$  by construction and  $\overline{PM} \cong \overline{PM}$  by the Reflexive Property.  $\overline{AP} \cong \overline{CP}$  because the arcs were drawn with the same compass setting. Thus,  $\triangle APM \cong \triangle CPM$  by SSS. By CPCTC,  $\angle PMA \cong \angle PMC$ . A linear pair of congruent angles are right angles. So  $\overline{PQ}$  is not only a bisector of  $\overline{AC}$ , but a perpendicular bisector.

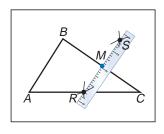
- **1.** Construct the perpendicular bisectors for the other two sides.
- **2.** What do you notice about the intersection of the perpendicular bisectors?

#### *Construction 2* Construct a median of a triangle.

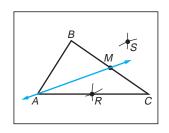
 Draw intersecting arcs above and below BC.
 Label the points of intersection R and S.



2 Use a straightedge to find the point where <u>RS</u> intersects <u>BC</u>. Label the midpoint <u>M</u>.

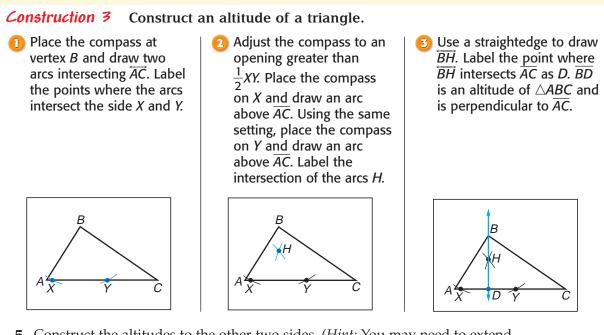


Oraw a line through A and M. AM is a median of △ABC.



- **3.** Construct the medians of the other two sides.
- **4.** What do you notice about the medians of a triangle?

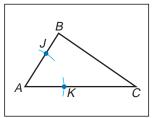




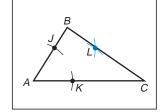
- **5.** Construct the altitudes to the other two sides. (*Hint:* You may need to extend the lines containing the sides of your triangle.)
- 6. What observation can you make about the altitudes of your triangle?

*Construction* **4** Construct an angle bisector of a triangle.

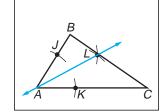
 Place the compass on vertex A, and draw arcs through AB and AC. Label the points where the arcs intersect the sides as J and K.



2 Place the compass on *J*, and draw an arc. Then place the compass on *K* and draw an arc intersecting the first arc. Label the intersection *L*.



**3** Use a straightedge to draw  $\overrightarrow{AL}$ .  $\overrightarrow{AL}$  is an angle bisector of △ABC.



- 7. Construct the angle bisectors for the other two angles.
- 8. What do you notice about the angle bisectors?

#### Analyze

- 9. Repeat the four constructions for each type of triangle.a. obtuse scaleneb. right scalenec. isosceles
- d. equilateral

#### Make a Conjecture

- **10.** Where do the lines intersect for acute, obtuse, and right triangles?
- **11.** Under what circumstances do the special lines of triangles coincide with each other?

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# **Bisectors, Medians,** and Altitudes

#### What You'll Learn

- Identify and use perpendicular bisectors and angle bisectors in triangles.
- Identify and use medians and altitudes in triangles.

### Vocabulary

5-1

- perpendicular bisector
- concurrent lines
- point of concurrency
- circumcenter
- incenter
- median
- centroid
- altitude
- orthocenter

#### Study Tip

**Reading Math** Equidistant means "the same distance."

#### Study Tip

#### Common Misconception

Note that Theorem 5.2 states the point is on the perpendicular bisector. It does not say that any line containing that point is a perpendicular bisector.

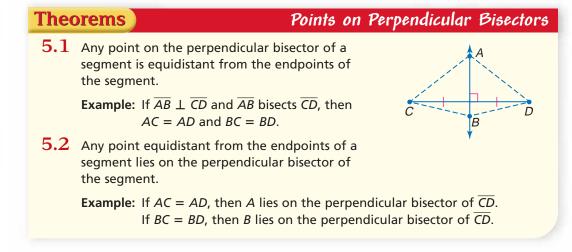
# *How* can you balance a paper triangle on a pencil point?

Acrobats and jugglers often balance objects while performing their acts. These skilled artists need to find the center of gravity for each object or body position in order to keep balanced. The center of gravity for any triangle can be found by drawing the *medians* of a triangle and locating the point where they intersect.



**PERPENDICULAR BISECTORS AND ANGLE BISECTORS** The first construction you made in the Geometry Activity on pages 236 and 237 was the perpendicular bisector of a side of a triangle. A **perpendicular bisector** of a side of a triangle is a line, segment, or ray that passes through the midpoint of the side and is perpendicular to that side.

Perpendicular bisectors of segments have some special properties. These properties are described in the following theorems.

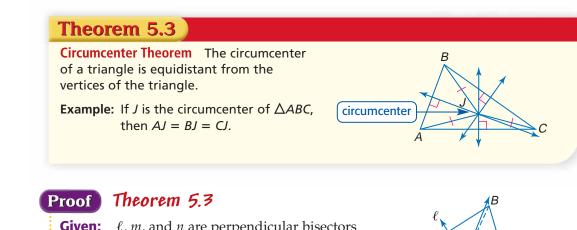


You will prove Theorems 5.1 and 5.2 in Exercises 10 and 31, respectively.

Recall that a locus is the set of all points that satisfy a given condition. A perpendicular bisector can be described as the locus of points in a plane equidistant from the endpoints of a given segment.

Since a triangle has three sides, there are three perpendicular bisectors in a triangle. The perpendicular bisectors of a triangle intersect at a common point. When three or more lines intersect at a common point, the lines are called **concurrent lines**, and their point of intersection is called the **point of concurrency**. The point of concurrency of the perpendicular bisectors of a triangle is called the **circumcenter**.





Study Tip

#### Bisectors

In most triangles, a perpendicular bisector will not pass through the vertex opposite a given side. Likewise, an angle bisector usually will not bisect the side opposite an angle.

#### Study Tip

Locus

An angle bisector can be described as the locus of points in a plane equidistant from the sides of an angle. **Given:**  $\ell$ , *m*, and *n* are perpendicular bisectors of  $\overline{AB}$ ,  $\overline{AC}$ , and  $\overline{BC}$ , respectively.

**Prove:** AJ = BJ = CJ

#### **Paragraph Proof:**

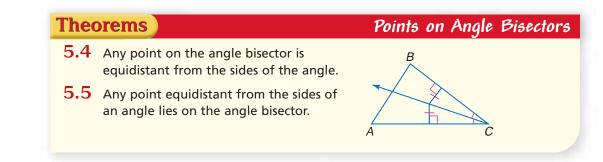
Since *J* lies on the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{AB}$ , it is equidistant from *A* and *B*. By the definition of equidistant, AJ = BJ. The perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{BC}$  also contains *J*. Thus, BJ = CJ. By the Transitive Property of Equality, AJ = CJ. Thus, AJ = BJ = CJ.

Another special line, segment, or ray in triangles is an angle bisector.

Example	1) Use Angle Bisectors	0
Given:	$\overline{PX}$ bisects $\angle QPR$ ,	$\overline{\wedge}$
	$\overline{XY} \perp \overline{PQ}$ and $\overline{XZ} \perp \overline{PR}$	Y
Prove:	$\overline{XY} \cong \overline{XZ}$	X
Proof:		P Z R
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<b>1.</b> $\overline{\underline{PX}}$ bisects $\angle QPR$ , $\overline{XY} \perp \overline{PQ}$ , and $\overline{XZ} \perp \overline{PR}$ .	1. Given
<b>2.</b> $\angle YPX \cong \angle ZPX$	<b>2.</b> Definition of angle bisector
<b>3.</b> $\angle PYX$ and $\angle PZX$ are right angles.	3. Definition of perpendicular
<b>4.</b> $\angle PYX \cong \angle PZX$	4. Right angles are congruent.
<b>5.</b> $\overline{PX} \cong \overline{PX}$	5. Reflexive Property
<b>6.</b> $\triangle PYX \cong \triangle PZX$	<b>6.</b> AAS
7. $\overline{XY} \cong \overline{XZ}$	7. CPCTC

In Example 1, *XY* and *XZ* are lengths representing the distance from *X* to each side of  $\angle QPR$ . This is a proof of Theorem 5.4.



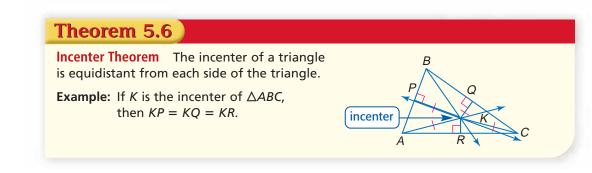
You will prove Theorem 5.5 in Exercise 32.

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As with perpendicular bisectors, there are three angle bisectors in any triangle. The angle bisectors of a triangle are concurrent, and their point of concurrency is called the **incenter** of a triangle.



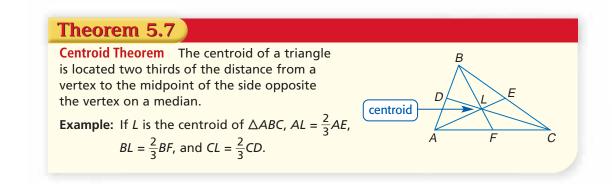
You will prove Theorem 5.6 in Exercise 33.

#### Study Tip

Medians as Bisectors Because the median contains the midpoint, it is also a bisector of the side of the triangle.

**MEDIANS AND ALTITUDES** A **median** is a segment whose endpoints are a vertex of a triangle and the midpoint of the side opposite the vertex. Every triangle has three medians.

The medians of a triangle also intersect at a common point. The point of concurrency for the medians of a triangle is called a **centroid**. The centroid is the point of balance for any triangle.



#### Example 2 Segment Measures

**ALGEBRA** Points *S*, *T*, and *U* are the midpoints of  $\overline{DE}$ ,  $\overline{EF}$ , and  $\overline{DF}$ , respectively. Find *x*, *y*, and *z*.

• Find x. DT = DA + AT Segment Addition Postulate = 6 + (2x - 5) Substitution = 2x + 1 Simplify.  $DA = \frac{2}{3}DT$  Centroid Theorem

$$6 = \frac{2}{3} [2x + 1] \qquad DA = 6, DT = 2x + 1$$
  

$$18 = 4x + 2 \qquad \text{Multiply each side by 3 and simplify.}$$
  

$$16 = 4x \qquad \text{Subtract 2 from each side.}$$
  

$$4 = x \qquad \text{Divide each side by 4.}$$

**Eliminating Fractions** You could also multiply the equation  $DA = \frac{2}{3}DT$ 

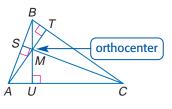
Study Tip

by 3 to eliminate the denominator.



• Find *y*.  $EA = \frac{2}{2}EU$ Centroid Theorem  $y = \frac{2}{2}(y + 2.9)$  EA = y, EU = y + 2.9 3y = 2y + 5.8Multiply each side by 3 and simplify. Subtract 2y from each side. y = 5.8• Find z.  $FA = \frac{2}{2}FS$ Centroid Theorem  $4.6 = \frac{2}{3}(4.6 + 4z)$  FA = 4.6, FS = 4.6 + 4z 13.8 = 9.2 + 8zMultiply each side by 3 and simplify. 4.6 = 8zSubtract 9.2 from each side. 0.575 = zDivide each side by 8.

An **altitude** of a triangle is a segment from a vertex to the line containing the opposite side and perpendicular to the line containing that side. Every triangle has three altitudes. The intersection point of the altitudes of a triangle is called the **orthocenter**.



If the vertices of a triangle are located on a coordinate plane, you can use a system of equations to find the coordinates of the orthocenter.

#### Example 3 Use a System of Equations to Find a Point

**COORDINATE GEOMETRY** The vertices of  $\triangle JKL$  are J(1, 3), K(2, -1), and L(-1, 0). Find the coordinates of the orthocenter of  $\triangle JKL$ .

- Find an equation of the altitude from *J* to  $\overline{KL}$ .
- The slope of  $\overline{KL}$  is  $-\frac{1}{3}$ , so the slope of the altitude is 3.

 $(y - y_1) = m(x - x_1)$  Point-slope form (y - 3) = 3(x - 1)  $x_1 = 1, y_1 = 3, m = 3$  y - 3 = 3x - 3 Distributive Property y = 3x Add 3 to each side.

- *L*(-1, 0) *D K*(2, -1)
- Next, find an equation of the altitude from *K* to  $\overline{JL}$ . The slope of  $\overline{JL}$  is  $\frac{3}{2}$ , so the slope of the altitude to  $\overline{JL}$  is  $-\frac{2}{3}$ .

$$(y - y_1) = m(x - x_1)$$
 Point-slope form  
 $(y + 1) = -\frac{2}{3}(x - 2)$   $x_1 = 2, y_1 = -1, m = -\frac{2}{3}$   
 $y + 1 = -\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{4}{3}$  Distributive Property  
 $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{3}$  Subtract 1 from each side.

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Finding the orthocenter can be used to help you construct your own nine-point circle. Visit www.geometry online.com/webquest to continue work on

your WebQuest project.

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#### Study Tip

#### Graphing Calculator

Once you have two equations, you can graph the two lines and use the Intersect option on the Calc menu to determine where the two lines meet. Then, solve a system of equations to find the point of intersection of the altitudes.

of altitude from K

Find *x*.

$$y = -\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{3}$$
 Equation of altitude from  

$$3x = -\frac{2}{3}x + \frac{1}{3}$$
 Substitution,  $y = 3x$   

$$9x = -2x + 1$$
 Multiply each side by 3.  

$$11x = 1$$
 Add 2x to each side.  

$$x = \frac{1}{11}$$
 Divide each side by 11.

Replace *x* with 
$$\frac{1}{11}$$
 in one of the equations to find the *y*-coordinate.

$$y = 3\left(\frac{1}{11}\right) \quad x = \frac{1}{11}$$
$$y = \frac{3}{11}$$
Multiply.

The coordinates of the orthocenter of  $\triangle JKL$  are  $\left(\frac{1}{11}, \frac{3}{11}\right)$ .

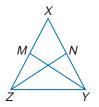
You can also use systems of equations to find the coordinates of the circumcenter and the centroid of a triangle graphed on a coordinate plane.

<b>Concept Summary</b>	Special Segments in Triangles		
Name	Туре	Point of Concurrency	
perpendicular bisector	line, segment, or ray	circumcenter	
angle bisector	line, segment, or ray	incenter	
median	segment	centroid	
altitude	segment	orthocenter	

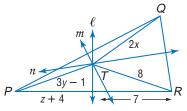
#### **Check for Understanding**

*Concept Check* **1.** Compare and contrast a perpendicular bisector and a median of a triangle.

- 2. **OPEN ENDED** Draw a triangle in which the circumcenter lies outside the triangle.
- 3. Find a counterexample to the statement An altitude and an angle bisector of a triangle are never the same segment.
- **Guided** Practice **4. COORDINATE GEOMETRY** The vertices of  $\triangle ABC$  are A(-3, 3), B(3, 2), and C(1, -4). Find the coordinates of the circumcenter.
  - **5. PROOF** Write a two-column proof. **Given:**  $\overline{XY} \cong \overline{XZ}$  $\overline{YM}$  and  $\overline{ZN}$  are medians. **Prove:**  $\overline{YM} \cong \overline{ZN}$



**Application** 6. ALGEBRA Lines  $\ell$ , *m*, and *n* are perpendicular bisectors of  $\triangle POR$  and meet at *T*. If TQ = 2x, PT = 3y - 1, and TR = 8, find x, y, and z.





#### **Practice and Apply**

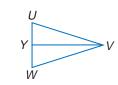
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COORDINATE GEOMETRYThe vertices of  $\triangle DEF$  are D(4, 0), E(-2, 4), and F(0, 6).Find the coordinates of the points of concurrency of  $\triangle DEF$ .7. centroid8. orthocenter9. circumcenter

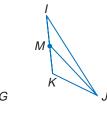
**10. PROOF** Write a paragraph proof of Theorem 5.1. **Given:**  $\overline{CD}$  is the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{AB}$ . *E* is a point on  $\overline{CD}$ . **Prove:** EB = EA

#### **PROOF** Write a two-column proof.

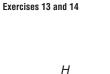
- **11. Given:**  $\triangle UVW$  is isosceles with vertex angle *UVW*.  $\overline{YV}$  is the bisector of  $\angle UVW$ . **Prove:**  $\overline{YV}$  is a median.
- **12. Given:**  $\overline{GL}$  is a median of  $\triangle EGH$ .  $\overline{JM}$  is a median of  $\triangle IJK$ .  $\triangle EGH \cong \triangle IJK$ **Prove:**  $\overline{GL} \cong \overline{JM}$

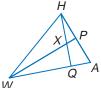


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- **13. ALGEBRA** Find *x* and  $m \angle 2$  if  $\overline{MS}$  is an altitude of  $\triangle MNQ, m \angle 1 = 3x + 11$ , and  $m \angle 2 = 7x + 9$ .
- **14. ALGEBRA** If  $\overline{MS}$  is a median of  $\triangle MNQ$ , QS = 3a - 14, SN = 2a + 1, and  $m \angle MSQ = 7a + 1$ , find the value of *a*. Is  $\overline{MS}$  also an altitude of  $\triangle MNQ$ ? Explain.
- **15. ALGEBRA** If  $\overline{WP}$  is a median and an angle bisector, AP = 3y + 11, PH = 7y - 5,  $m \angle HWP = x + 12$ ,  $m \angle PAW = 3x - 2$ , and  $m \angle HWA = 4x - 16$ , find x and y. Is  $\overline{WP}$  also an altitude? Explain.
- **16. ALGEBRA** If  $\overline{WP}$  is a perpendicular bisector,  $m \angle WHA = 8q + 17, m \angle HWP = 10 + q,$ AP = 6r + 4, and PH = 22 + 3r, find r, q, and  $m \angle HWP$ .



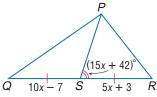


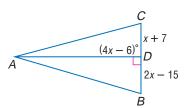
Exercises 15 and 16

#### State whether each sentence is *always*, *sometimes*, or *never* true.

- 17. The three medians of a triangle intersect at a point in the interior of the triangle.
- 18. The three altitudes of a triangle intersect at a vertex of the triangle.
- **19.** The three angle bisectors of a triangle intersect at a point in the exterior of the triangle.
- **20.** The three perpendicular bisectors of a triangle intersect at a point in the exterior of the triangle.





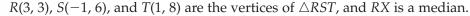


#### **ALGEBRA** For Exercises 23–26, use the following information.

In  $\triangle PQR$ , ZQ = 3a - 11, ZP = a + 5, PY = 2c - 1, YR = 4c - 11,  $m \angle PRZ = 4b - 17$ ,  $m \angle ZRQ = 3b - 4$ ,  $m \angle QYR = 7b + 6$ , and  $m \angle PXR = 2a + 10$ .

- **23.**  $\overline{PX}$  is an altitude of  $\triangle PQR$ . Find *a*.
- **24.** If  $\overline{RZ}$  is an angle bisector, find  $m \angle PRZ$ .
- **25.** Find *PR* if  $\overline{QY}$  is a median.
- **26.** If  $\overrightarrow{QY}$  is a perpendicular bisector of  $\overrightarrow{PR}$ , find b.

#### **COORDINATE GEOMETRY** For Exercises 27–30, use the following information.

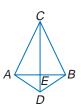


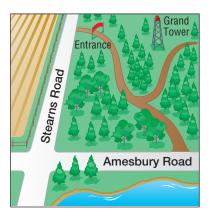
- **27.** What are the coordinates of *X*?
- 28. Find RX.
- **29.** Determine the slope of  $\overline{RX}$ .
- **30.** Is  $\overline{RX}$  an altitude of  $\triangle RST$ ? Explain.

#### **PROOF** Write a two-column proof for each theorem.

- **31.** Theorem 5.2 **Given:**  $\overline{CA} \cong \overline{CB}$ 
  - $\overline{AD} \cong \overline{BD}$
  - **Prove:** *C* and *D* are on the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{AB}$ .
- **32.** Theorem 5.5
- **33.** Theorem 5.6
- **34. ORIENTEERING** Orienteering is a competitive sport, originating in Sweden, that tests the skills of map reading and cross-country running. Competitors race through an unknown area to find various checkpoints using only a compass and topographical map. On an amateur course, clues were given to locate the first flag.
  - The flag is as far from the Grand Tower as it is from the park entrance.
  - If you run from Stearns Road to the flag or from Amesbury Road to the flag, you would run the same distance.

Describe how to find the first flag.





# More About. . .



#### Orienteering •······

The International Orienteering Federation World Cup consists of a series of nine races held throughout the world, in which the runners compete for points based on their completion times.

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#### **STATISTICS** For Exercises 35–38, use the following information.

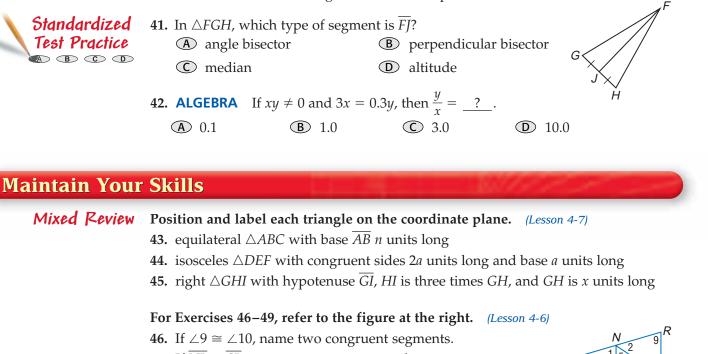
The *mean* of a set of data is an average value of the data. Suppose  $\triangle ABC$  has vertices A(16, 8), B(2, 4), and C(-6, 12).

- **35.** Find the mean of the *x*-coordinates of the vertices.
- **36.** Find the mean of the *y*-coordinates of the vertices.
- **37.** Graph  $\triangle ABC$  and its medians.
- **38.** Make a conjecture about the centroid and the means of the coordinates of the vertices.
- **39. CRITICAL THINKING** Draw any  $\triangle XYZ$  with median  $\overline{XN}$  and altitude  $\overline{XO}$ . Recall that the area of a triangle is one-half the product of the measures of the base and the altitude. What conclusion can you make about the relationship between the areas of  $\triangle XYN$  and  $\triangle XZN$ ?
- **40.** WRITING IN MATH Answer the question that was posed at the beginning of the lesson.

#### How can you balance a paper triangle on a pencil point?

Include the following in your answer:

- which special point is the center of gravity, and
- a construction showing how to find this point.



- **47.** If  $\overline{NL} \cong \overline{SL}$ , name two congruent angles.
- **48.** If  $\overline{LT} \cong \overline{LS}$ , name two congruent angles.
- **49.** If  $\angle 1 \cong \angle 4$ , name two congruent segments.
- **50. INTERIOR DESIGN** Stacey is installing a curtain rod on the wall above the window. To ensure that the rod is parallel to the ceiling, she measures and marks 6 inches below the ceiling in several places. If she installs the rod at these markings centered over the window, how does she know the curtain rod will be parallel to the ceiling? *(Lesson 3-6)*

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**Reading Mathematics** 

# Math Words and Everyday Words

Several of the words and terms used in mathematics are also used in everyday language. The everyday meaning can help you to better understand the mathematical meaning and help you remember each meaning. This table shows some words used in this chapter with the everyday meanings and the mathematical meanings.

Word	Everyday Meaning	Geometric 1	Meaning
median	a paved or planted strip dividing a highway into lanes according to direction of travel	a segment of a triangle that connects the vertex to the midpoint of the opposite side	
altitude	the vertical elevation of an object above a surface	a segment from a vertex of a triangle that is perpendicular to the line containing the opposite side	
bisector	something that divides into two usually equal parts	a segment that divides an angle or a side into two parts of equal measure	A Q C P B

**Source:** *Merriam-Webster Collegiate Dictionary* 

Notice that the geometric meaning is more specific, but related to the everyday meaning. For example, the everyday definition of *altitude* is elevation, or height. In geometry, an altitude is a segment of a triangle perpendicular to the base through the vertex. The length of an altitude is the height of the triangle.

#### Reading to Learn

- **1.** How does the mathematical meaning of *median* relate to the everyday meaning?
- **2. RESEARCH** Use a dictionary or other sources to find alternate definitions of *vertex*.
- **3. RESEARCH** *Median* has other meanings in mathematics. Use the Internet or other sources to find alternate definitions of this term.
- **4. RESEARCH** Use a dictionary or other sources to investigate definitions of *segment*.

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# **5-2 Inequalities and Triangles**

#### What You'll Learn

- Recognize and apply properties of inequalities to the measures of angles of a triangle.
- Recognize and apply properties of inequalities to the relationships between angles and sides of a triangle.

#### How can you tell which corner is bigger?

Sam is delivering two potted trees to be used on a patio. The instructions say for the trees to be placed in the two largest corners of the patio. All Sam has is a diagram of the triangular patio that shows the measurements 45 feet, 48 feet, and 51 feet. Sam can find the largest corner because the measures of the angles of a triangle are related to the measures of the sides opposite them.

**ANGLE INEQUALITIES** In algebra, you learned about the inequality relationship between two real numbers. This relationship is often used in proofs.

**Key Concept** 

Definition of Inequality

45 ft

48 ft

For any real numbers a and b, a > b if and only if there is a positive number c such that a = b + c.

**Example:** If 6 = 4 + 2, 6 > 4 and 6 > 2.

The properties of inequalities you studied in algebra can be applied to the measures of angles and segments.

Properties of Inequalities for Real Numbers		
For all numbers <i>a</i> , <i>b</i> , and <i>c</i>		
Comparison Property	<i>a</i> < <i>b</i> , <i>a</i> = <i>b</i> , or <i>a</i> > <i>b</i>	
Transitive Property	<b>1.</b> If <i>a</i> < <i>b</i> and <i>b</i> < <i>c</i> , then <i>a</i> < <i>c</i> .	
	<b>2.</b> If $a > b$ and $b > c$ , then $a > c$ .	
Addition and	<b>1.</b> If $a > b$ , then $a + c > b + c$ and $a - c > b - c$ .	
Subtraction Properties	<b>2.</b> If $a < b$ , then $a + c < b + c$ and $a - c < b - c$ .	
<b>Multiplication and</b> 1. If $c > 0$ and $a < b$ , then $ac < bc$ and $\frac{a}{c} < \frac{b}{c}$ .		
Division Properties	<b>2.</b> If $c > 0$ and $a > b$ , then $ac > bc$ and $\frac{a}{c} > \frac{b}{c}$ .	
	<b>3.</b> If $c < 0$ and $a < b$ , then $ac > bc$ and $\frac{a}{c} > \frac{b}{c}$ .	
<b>4.</b> If $c < 0$ and $a > b$ , then $ac < bc$ and $\frac{a}{c} < \frac{b}{c}$ .		



#### Example 1 Compare Angle Measures

Determine which angle has the greatest measure. Explore Compare the measure of  $\angle 3$  to the measures of  $\angle 1$  and  $\angle 2$ . Plan Use properties and theorems of real numbers to compare the angle measures. Solve Compare  $m \angle 1$  to  $m \angle 3$ . By the Exterior Angle Theorem,  $m \angle 3 = m \angle 1 + m \angle 2$ . Since angle measures are positive numbers and from the definition of inequality,  $m \angle 3 > m \angle 1$ . Compare  $m \angle 2$  to  $m \angle 3$ . Again, by the Exterior Angle Theorem,  $m \angle 3 = m \angle 1 + m \angle 2$ . The definition of inequality states that if  $m \angle 3 = m \angle 1 + m \angle 2$ , then  $m \angle 3 > m \angle 2$ . Examine  $m \angle 3$  is greater than  $m \angle 1$  and  $m \angle 2$ . Therefore,  $\angle 3$  has the greatest measure.

The results from Example 1 suggest that the measure of an exterior angle is always greater than either of the measures of the remote interior angles. This relationship can be stated as a theorem.

#### Study Tip

#### Symbols for Angles and Inequalities

The symbol for angle  $(\angle)$ looks similar to the symbol for less than (<), especially when handwritten. Be careful to write the symbols correctly in situations where both are used.

#### Theorem 5.8

**Exterior Angle Inequality Theorem** If an angle is an exterior angle of a triangle, then its measure is greater than the measure of either of its corresponding remote interior angles.

**Example:**  $m \angle 4 > m \angle 1$ 

 $m \angle 4 > m \angle 2$ 



#### Example 2 Exterior Angles

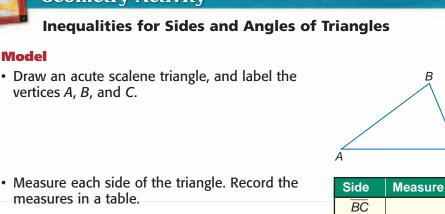
Use the Exterior Angle Inequality Theorem to list all of the angles that satisfy the stated condition.

- a. all angles whose measures are less than  $m \angle 8$ By the Exterior Angle Inequality Theorem,  $m \angle 8 > m \angle 4$ ,  $m \angle 8 > m \angle 6$ ,  $m \angle 8 > m \angle 2$ , and  $m \angle 8 > m \angle 6 + m \angle 7$ . Thus, the measures of  $\angle 4$ ,  $\angle 6$ ,  $\angle 2$ , and  $\angle 7$  are all less than  $m \angle 8$ .
- **b.** all angles whose measures are greater than  $m \angle 2$ By the Exterior Angle Inequality Theorem,  $m \angle 8 > m \angle 2$ and  $m \angle 4 > m \angle 2$ . Thus, the measures of  $\angle 4$  and  $\angle 8$  are greater than  $m \angle 2$ .

**ANGLE-SIDE RELATIONSHIPS** Recall that if two sides of a triangle are congruent, then the angles opposite those sides are congruent. In the following Geometry Activity, you will investigate the relationship between sides and angles when they are not congruent.



#### **Geometry Activity**



 Measure each angle of the triangle. Record each measure in a table.

# ĀĊ AB

С

Angle	Measure
∠A	
∠B	
∠c	

#### Analyze

Model

vertices A, B, and C.

measures in a table.

- 1. Describe the measure of the angle opposite the longest side in terms of the other angles.
- 2. Describe the measure of the angle opposite the shortest side in terms of the other angles.
- 3. Repeat the activity using other triangles.

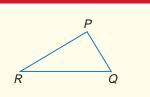
#### **Make a Conjecture**

**4.** What can you conclude about the relationship between the measures of sides and angles of a triangle?

The Geometry Activity suggests the following theorem.

#### Theorem 5.9

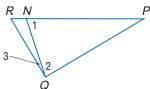
If one side of a triangle is longer than another side, then the angle opposite the longer side has a greater measure than the angle opposite the shorter side.



#### Study Tip

Theorem 5.9 The longest side in a triangle is opposite the largest angle in that triangle.

Theorem 5.9 Proof **Given:**  $\triangle POR$ R N PQ < PR $\overline{PN} \cong \overline{PO}$ **Prove:**  $m \angle R < m \angle PQR$ 



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#### **Proof:**

Statements	Reasons	
$\overline{1. \ \triangle PQR, PQ < PR, \overline{PN} \cong \overline{PQ}}$	1. Given	
<b>2.</b> $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$	2. Isosceles Triangle Theorem	
<b>3.</b> $m \angle 1 = m \angle 2$	<b>3.</b> Definition of congruent angles	
<b>4.</b> $m \angle R < m \angle 1$	4. Exterior Angle Inequality Theorem	
5. $m \angle 2 + m \angle 3 = m \angle PQR$	5. Angle Addition Postulate	
6. $m \angle 2 < m \angle PQR$	6. Definition of inequality	
7. $m \angle 1 < m \angle PQR$	<b>7.</b> Substitution Property of Equality	
8. $m \angle R < m \angle PQR$	8. Transitive Property of Inequality	

#### Example 3 Side-Angle Relationships

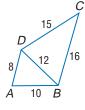
Determine the relationship between the measures of the given angles.

#### a. $\angle ADB$ , $\angle DBA$

The side opposite  $\angle ADB$  is longer than the side opposite  $\angle DBA$ , so  $m \angle ADB > m \angle DBA$ .

#### b. $\angle CDA$ , $\angle CBA$

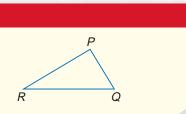
 $m \angle DBA < m \angle ADB$  $m \angle CBD < m \angle CDB$  $m \angle DBA + m \angle CBD < m \angle ADB + m \angle CDB$  $m \angle CBA < m \angle CDA$ 



The converse of Theorem 5.9 is also true.

#### Theorem 5.10

If one angle of a triangle has a greater measure than another angle, then the side opposite the greater angle is longer than the side opposite the lesser angle.

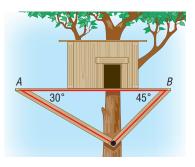


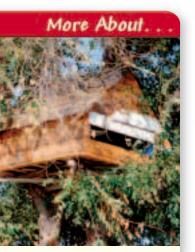
You will prove Theorem 5.10 in Lesson 5-3, Exercise 26.

#### Example 4 Angle-Side Relationships

• **TREEHOUSES** Mr. Jackson is constructing the framework for part of a treehouse for his daughter. He plans to install braces at the ends of a certain floor support as shown. Which supports should he attach to *A* and *B*?

Theorem 5.9 states that if one angle of a triangle has a greater measure, then the side opposite that angle is longer than the side opposite the other angle. Therefore, Mr. Jackson should attach the longer brace at the end marked *A* and the shorter brace at the end marked *B*.





#### Treehouses •·····

The strength of the tree is the most important concern when building a treehouse. It is important to look for a tree that has branches thick and strong. **Source:** www.treehouses.com

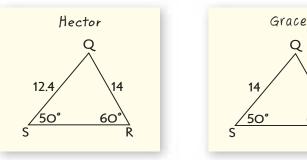


#### **Check for Understanding**

Concept Check

**1.** State whether the following statement is *always*, *sometimes*, or *never* true. In  $\triangle JKL$  with right angle *J*, if  $m \angle J$  is twice  $m \angle K$ , then the side opposite  $\angle J$  is twice the length of the side opposite  $\angle K$ .

- **2. OPEN ENDED** Draw  $\triangle ABC$ . List the angle measures and side lengths of your triangle from greatest to least.
- **3. FIND THE ERROR** Hector and Grace each labeled  $\triangle QRS$ .



Who is correct? Explain.

*Guided Practice* Determine which angle has the greatest measure.

- **4.** ∠1, ∠2, ∠4
- **5.** ∠2, ∠3, ∠5
- **6.**  $\angle 1$ ,  $\angle 2$ ,  $\angle 3$ ,  $\angle 4$ ,  $\angle 5$

# Use the Exterior Angle Inequality Theorem to list all angles that satisfy the stated condition.

- 7. all angles whose measures are less than  $m \angle 1$
- **8.** all angles whose measures are greater than  $m \angle 6$
- **9.** all angles whose measures are less than  $m \angle 7$

# Determine the relationship between the measures of the given angles.

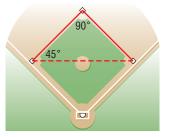
- **10.**  $\angle WXY, \angle XYW$
- **11.**  $\angle XZY, \angle XYZ$
- **12.**  $\angle WYX$ ,  $\angle XWY$

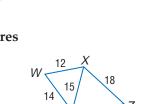
# Determine the relationship between the lengths of the given sides.

- **13.**  $\overline{AE}$ ,  $\overline{EB}$
- 14.  $\overline{CE}, \overline{CD}$
- **15.**  $\overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{EC}$

Application16. BASEBALLDuring a baseball game, the batter<br/>hits the ball to the third baseman and begins to<br/>run toward first base. At the same time, the runner<br/>on first base runs toward second base. If the third<br/>baseman wants to throw the ball to the nearest<br/>base, to which base should he throw? Explain.

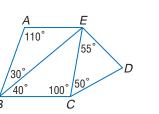
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<b>17.</b> ∠1, ∠2, ∠4	<b>18.</b> ∠2, ∠4, ∠6
<b>19.</b> ∠3, ∠5, ∠7	<b>20.</b> ∠1, ∠2, ∠6
<b>21.</b> ∠5, ∠7, ∠8	<b>22.</b> ∠2, ∠6, ∠8

### Use the Exterior Angle Inequality Theorem to list all angles that satisfy the stated condition.

- **23.** all angles whose measures are less than  $m \angle 5$
- **24.** all angles whose measures are greater than  $m \angle 6$
- **25.** all angles whose measures are greater than  $m \angle 10$

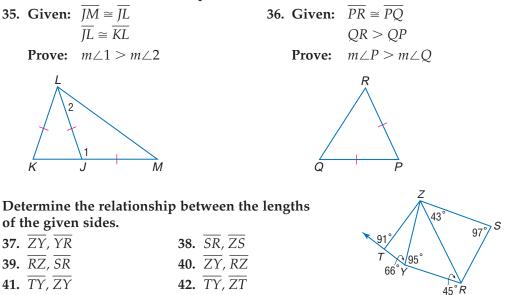
# Use the Exterior Angle Inequality Theorem to list all angles that satisfy the stated condition.

- **26.** all angles whose measures are less than  $m \angle 1$
- **27.** all angles whose measures are greater than  $m \angle 9$
- **28.** all angles whose measures are less than  $m \angle 8$

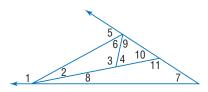
# Determine the relationship between the measures of the given angles.

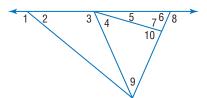
<b>29.</b> ∠ <i>KAJ,</i> ∠ <i>AJK</i>	<b>30.</b> ∠ <i>MJY</i> , ∠ <i>JYM</i>
<b>31.</b> $\angle SMJ, \angle MJS$	<b>32.</b> ∠ <i>AKJ,</i> ∠ <i>JAK</i>
<b>33.</b> ∠ <i>MYJ,</i> ∠ <i>JMY</i>	<b>34.</b> ∠ <i>JSY</i> , ∠ <i>JYS</i>

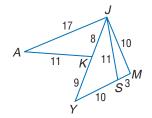
#### **PROOF** Write a two-column proof.



- **43. COORDINATE GEOMETRY** Triangle *KLM* has vertices K(3, 2), L(-1, 5), and M(-3, -7). List the angles in order from the least to the greatest measure.
- **44.** If AB > AC > BC in  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\overline{AM}$ ,  $\overline{BN}$ , and  $\overline{CO}$  are the medians of the triangle, list *AM*, *BN*, and *CO* in order from least to greatest.









More About.



Travel •·····

One sixth of adult Americans have never flown in a commercial aircraft.

**Source:** U.S. Bureau of Transportation Statistics

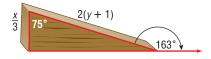
•45. **TRAVEL** A plane travels from Des Moines to Phoenix, on to Atlanta, and then completes the trip directly back to Des Moines as shown in the diagram. Write the lengths of the legs of the trip in order from greatest to least.



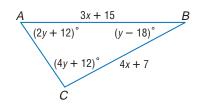
# **ALGEBRA** Find the value of *n*. List the sides of $\triangle PQR$ in order from shortest to longest for the given angle measures.

- **46.**  $m \angle P = 9n + 29, m \angle Q = 93 5n, m \angle R = 10n + 2$  **47.**  $m \angle P = 12n - 9, m \angle Q = 62 - 3n, m \angle R = 16n + 2$  **48.**  $m \angle P = 9n - 4, m \angle Q = 4n - 16, m \angle R = 68 - 2n$  **49.**  $m \angle P = 3n + 20, m \angle Q = 2n + 37, \angle R = 4n + 15$ **50.**  $m \angle P = 4n + 61, m \angle O = 67 - 3n, \angle R = n + 74$
- **51. DOORS** The wedge at the right is used as a door stopper. The values of *x* and *y* are in inches. Write an inequality relating *x* and *y*. Then solve the inequality for *y* in terms of *x*.

greater than the measure of the altitude to that side.



- **52. PROOF** Write a paragraph proof for the following statement. *If a triangle is not isosceles, then the measure of the median to any side of the triangle is*
- **53. CRITICAL THINKING** Write and solve an inequality for *x*.



- 54. WRITING IN MATH
- Answer the question that was posed at the beginning of the lesson.

#### How can you tell which corner is bigger?

Include the following in your answer:

- the name of the theorem or postulate that lets you determine the comparison of the angle measures, and
- which angles in the diagram are the largest.

Standardized Test Practice **55.** In the figure at the right, what is the value of *p* in terms of *m* and *n*?

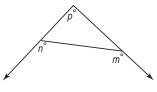
(A) m + n - 180

- **B** m + n + 180
- $\bigcirc m n + 360$

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- **D** 360 (m n)
- 56. ALGEBRA If  $\frac{1}{2}x 3 = 2\left(\frac{x-1}{5}\right)$ , then  $x = \underline{?}$ . (A) 11 (B) 13 (C) 22

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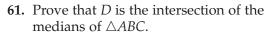
#### **Maintain Your Skills**

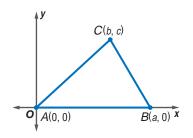
#### **Mixed Review ALGEBRA** For Exercises 57–59, use the following information. (Lesson 5-1) Two vertices of $\triangle ABC$ are A(3, 8) and B(9, 12). $\overline{AD}$ is a median with D at (12, 3).

- **57.** What are the coordinates of *C*?
- **58**. Is  $\overline{AD}$  an altitude of  $\triangle ABC$ ? Explain.
- **59.** The graph of point *E* is at (6, 6).  $\overline{EF}$  intersects  $\overline{BD}$  at *F*. If *F* is at  $\left(10\frac{1}{2}, 7\frac{1}{2}\right)$ , is  $\overline{EF}$  a perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{BD}$ ? Explain.

# **STATISTICS** For Exercises 60 and 61, refer to the graph at the right. (*Lesson 4-7*)

**60.** Find the coordinates of *D* if the *x*-coordinate of *D* is the mean of the *x*-coordinates of the vertices of  $\triangle ABC$  and the *y*-coordinate is the mean of the *y*-coordinates of the vertices of  $\triangle ABC$ .





Lessons 5-1 and 5-2

Name the corresponding congruent angles and sides for each pair of congruent triangles. (Lesson 4-3)

<b>62.</b> $\triangle TUV \cong \triangle XYZ$	<b>63.</b> $\triangle CDG \cong \triangle RSW$	<b>64.</b> $\triangle BCF \cong \triangle DGH$
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**65.** Find the value of *x* so that the line containing points at (x, 2) and (-4, 5) is perpendicular to the line containing points at (4, 8) and (2, -1). *(Lesson 3-3)* 

Getting Ready for the Next Lesson BASIC SKILL Determine whether each equation is true or false if a = 2, b = 5, and c = 6. (To review evaluating expressions, see page 736.) 66. 2ab = 2067. c(b - a) = 1568. a + c > a + b

#### Practice Quiz 1

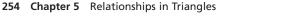
# **ALGEBRA** Use $\triangle ABC$ . (Lesson 5-1)B**1.** Find x if $\overline{AD}$ is a median of $\triangle ABC$ . $A\overline{D}$ **2.** Find y if $\overline{AD}$ is an altitude of $\triangle ABC$ . $A\overline{D}$ **4** x + 9 $A\overline{D}$ **6** $A\overline{D}$ **7** x - 6**67** $A\overline{D}$ **7** $A\overline{D}$

State whether each statement is *always*, *sometimes*, or *never* true. (Lesson 5-1)

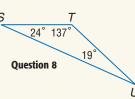
- 3. The medians of a triangle intersect at one of the vertices of the triangle.
- 4. The angle bisectors of a triangle intersect at a point in the interior of the triangle.
- 5. The altitudes of a triangle intersect at a point in the exterior of the triangle.
- 6. The perpendicular bisectors of a triangle intersect at a point on the triangle.
- **7.** Describe a triangle in which the angle bisectors all intersect in a point outside the triangle. If no triangle exists, write *no triangle*. (Lesson 5-1)
- **8.** List the sides of  $\triangle$ *STU* in order from longest to shortest. (Lesson 5-2)

# **ALGEBRA** In $\triangle QRS$ , $m \angle Q = 3x + 20$ , $m \angle R = 2x + 37$ , and $m \angle S = 4x + 15$ . (Lesson 5-2)

- 9. Determine the measure of each angle.
- **10.** List the sides in order from shortest to longest.







# **5-3** Indirect Proof

#### What You'll Learn

- Use indirect proof with algebra.
- Use indirect proof with geometry.

### Vocabulary

- indirect reasoning
- indirect proof
- proof by contradiction

#### Study Tip

Truth Value of a Statement Recall that a statement must be either true or false. To review truth values, see Lesson 2-2.

#### **How** is indirect proof used in literature?

In *The Adventure of the Blanched Soldier*, Sherlock Holmes describes his detective technique, stating, "That process starts upon the supposition that when you have eliminated all which is impossible, then whatever remains, . . . must be the truth." The method Sherlock Holmes uses is an example of *indirect reasoning*.



**INDIRECT PROOF WITH ALGEBRA** The proofs you have written so far use direct reasoning, in which you start with a true hypothesis and prove that the conclusion is true. When using **indirect reasoning**, you assume that the conclusion is false and then show that this assumption leads to a contradiction of the hypothesis, or some other accepted fact, such as a definition, postulate, theorem, or corollary. Since all other steps in the proof are logically correct, the assumption has been proven false, so the original conclusion must be true. A proof of this type is called an **indirect proof** or a **proof by contradiction**.

The following steps summarize the process of an indirect proof.

#### **Key Concept**

#### Steps for Writing an Indirect Proof

- **1.** Assume that the conclusion is false.
- **2.** Show that this assumption leads to a contradiction of the hypothesis, or some other fact, such as a definition, postulate, theorem, or corollary.
- **3.** Point out that because the false conclusion leads to an incorrect statement, the original conclusion must be true.

#### Example 🚺 Stating Conclusions

State the assumption you would make to start an indirect proof of each statement.

- a.  $AB \neq MN$
- AB = MN
- **b.**  $\triangle PQR$  is an isosceles triangle.

 $\triangle PQR$  is not an isosceles triangle.

c. x < 4

If x < 4 is false, then x = 4 or x > 4. In other words,  $x \ge 4$ .

**d.** If 9 is a factor of *n*, then 3 is a factor of *n*. The conclusion of the conditional statement is 3 *is a factor of n*. The negation of the conclusion is 3 *is not a factor of n*.

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Indirect proofs can be used to prove algebraic concepts.

Example	2 Algebraic Proof	
Given:	2x - 3 > 7	
Prove:	x > 5	
	<b>t Proof:</b> Assume that $x \le 5$ . That is, assume that $x < 5$ or $x = 5$ .	
Step 2	Make a table with several possibilities for <i>x</i> given that $x < 5$ or $x = 5$ .	X
	This is a contradiction because when $x < 5$ or	1
_	$x = 5, 2x - 3 \le 7.$	3
Step 3	In both cases, the assumption leads to the contradiction of a known fact. Therefore, the	4
	assumption that $x \le 5$ must be false, which means	5
	that $x > 5$ must be true.	

X	2 <i>x</i> – 3
1	-1
2	1
3	4
4	5
5	7

Indirect reasoning and proof can be used in everyday situations.



Shopping •-----

The West Edmonton Mall in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, is the world's largest entertainment and

shopping center, with an area of 5.3 million square

feet. The mall houses an amusement park, water park, ice rink, and

aquarium, along with over

800 stores and services. Source: www.westedmall.com

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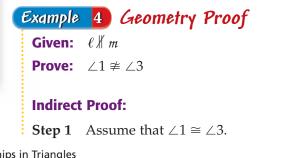
# **SHOPPING** Lawanda bought two skirts for just over \$60, before tax. A few weeks later, her friend Tiffany asked her how much each skirt cost. Lawanda could not remember the individual prices. Use indirect reasoning to show that at least one of the skirts cost more than \$30. **Given:** The two skirts cost more than \$60. **Prove:** At least one of the skirts cost more than \$30. That is, if x + y > 60, then either x > 30 or y > 30.

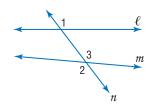
Example 3 Use Indirect Proof

#### **Indirect Proof:**

- **Step 1** Assume that neither skirt costs more than \$30. That is,  $x \le 30$  and  $y \le 30$ .
- **Step 2** If  $x \le 30$  and  $y \le 30$ , then  $x + y \le 60$ . This is a contradiction because we know that the two skirts cost more than \$60.
- **Step 3** The assumption leads to the contradiction of a known fact. Therefore, the assumption that  $x \le 30$  and  $y \le 30$  must be false. Thus, at least one of the skirts had to have cost more than \$30.

**INDIRECT PROOF WITH GEOMETRY** Indirect reasoning can be used to prove statements in geometry.



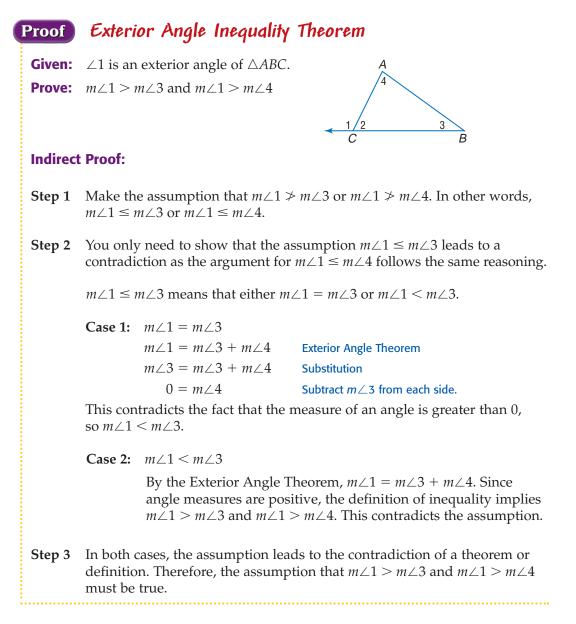


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Step 2	$\angle 1$ and $\angle 3$ are corresponding angles. If two lines are cut by a transversal so that corresponding angles are congruent, the lines are parallel. This means that $\ell \parallel m$ . However, this contradicts the given statement.
Step 3	Since the assumption leads to a contradiction, the assumption must be false. Therefore, $\angle 1 \not\cong \angle 3$ .

Indirect proofs can also be used to prove theorems.



#### **Check for Understanding**

*Concept Check* 1. Explain how contradicting a known fact means that an assumption is false.

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- 2. Compare and contrast indirect proof and direct proof. See margin.
- **3. OPEN ENDED** State a conjecture. Then write an indirect proof to prove your conjecture.

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#### Guided Practice Write the assumption you would make to start an indirect proof of each statement.

- **4.** If 5*x* < 25, then *x* < 5.
- 5. Two lines that are cut by a transversal so that alternate interior angles are congruent are parallel.
- 6. If the alternate interior angles formed by two lines and a transversal are congruent, the lines are parallel.

#### **PROOF** Write an indirect proof.

7. Given:			8.	Given:	<i>n</i> is odd.		
Prove:	$\frac{1}{a} > 0$			Prove:	$n^2$ is odd.		
9. Given:	$\triangle ABC$	_	10.	Given:	m∦ n	_	

**Prove:** There can be no more than one obtuse angle in  $\triangle ABC$ .

**Prove:** Lines *m* and *n* intersect at exactly one point.

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- 11. **PROOF** Use an indirect proof to show that the hypotenuse of a right triangle is the longest side.
- **Application 12. BICYCLING** The Tour de France bicycle race takes place over several weeks in various stages throughout France. During two stages of the 2002 Tour de France, riders raced for just over 270 miles. Prove that at least one of the stages was longer than 135 miles.

#### **Practice and Apply**

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21, 22, 24,	4
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Write the assumption you would make to start an indirect proof of each statement.

- **13.**  $\overline{PQ} \cong \overline{ST}$
- **14.** If 3x > 12, then x > 4.
- **15.** If a rational number is any number that can be expressed as  $\frac{a}{b}$ , where *a* and *b* are integers, and  $b \neq 0$ , 6 is a rational number.
- **16.** A median of an isosceles triangle is also an altitude.
- **17.** Points *P*, *Q*, and *R* are collinear.
- **18.** The angle bisector of the vertex angle of an isosceles triangle is also an altitude of the triangle.

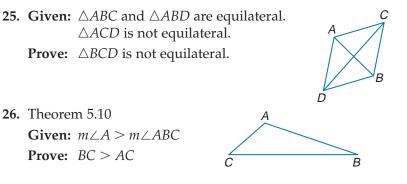
#### **PROOF** Write an indirect proof. **19.** Given: $\frac{1}{a} < 0$ **20. Given:** *n*<sup>2</sup> is even. **Prove:** $n^2$ is divisible by 4. **Prove:** *a* is negative. **21.** Given: $\overline{PQ} \cong \overline{PR}$ **22.** Given: $m \angle 2 \neq m \angle 1$ $\angle 1 \ncong \angle 2$ **Prove:** $\ell \not\parallel m$ **Prove:** $\overline{PZ}$ is not a median of $\triangle PQR$ . P 7

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**PROOF** Write an indirect proof.

**23.** If a > 0, b > 0, and a > b, then  $\frac{a}{b} > 1$ .

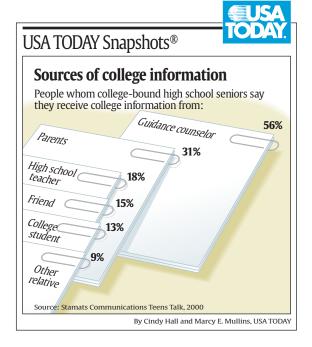
**24.** If two sides of a triangle are not congruent, then the angles opposite those sides are not congruent.



**27. TRAVEL** Ramon drove 175 miles from Seattle, Washington, to Portland, Oregon. It took him three hours to complete the trip. Prove that his average driving speed was less than 60 miles per hour.

# **EDUCATION** For Exercises 28–30, refer to the graphic at the right.

- **28.** Prove the following statement. *The majority of college-bound seniors stated that they received college information from a guidance counselor.*
- **29.** If 1500 seniors were polled for this survey, verify that 225 said they received college information from a friend.
- **30.** Did more seniors receive college information from their parents or from teachers and friends? Explain.



- **31.** LAW During the opening arguments of a trial, a defense attorney stated, "My client is innocent. The police report states that the crime was committed on November 6 at approximately 10:15 A.M. in San Diego. I can prove that my client was on vacation in Chicago with his family at this time. A verdict of not guilty is the only possible verdict." Explain whether this is an example of indirect reasoning.
- **32. RESEARCH** Use the Internet or other resource to write an indirect proof for the following statement.

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*In the Atlantic Ocean, the percent of tropical storms that developed into hurricanes over the past five years varies from year to year.* 

- **33. CRITICAL THINKING** Recall that a rational number is any number that can be expressed in the form  $\frac{a}{b}$ , where *a* and *b* are integers with no common factors and  $b \neq 0$ , or as a terminating or repeating decimal. Use indirect reasoning to prove that  $\sqrt{2}$  is not a rational number.
- **34.** WRITING IN MATH Answer the question that was posed at the beginning of the lesson.

#### How is indirect proof used in literature?

Include the following in your answer:

- an explanation of how Sherlock Holmes used indirect proof, and
- an example of indirect proof used every day.



**35.** Which statement about the value of *x* is not true?

(A) $x = 60$	<b>B</b> $x < 140$	80
$\bigcirc x + 80 = 140$	<b>D</b> $x < 60$	<u>x°</u> 140°

**36. PROBABILITY** A bag contains 6 blue marbles, 8 red marbles, and 2 white marbles. If three marbles are removed at random and no marble is returned to the bag after removal, what is the probability that all three marbles will be red?

10 0 2	(A) $\frac{1}{10}$	<b>B</b> $\frac{1}{8}$	$\bigcirc \frac{3}{8}$	<b>D</b> $\frac{1}{2}$
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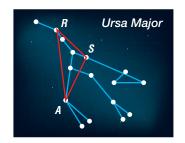
#### **Maintain Your Skills**

Mixed Review For Exercises 37 and 38, refer to the figure at the right. (Lesson 5-2)

- **37.** Which angle in  $\triangle MOP$  has the greatest measure?
- **38.** Name the angle with the least measure in  $\triangle LMN$ .

#### **PROOF** Write a two-column proof. (Lesson 5-1)

- **39.** If an angle bisector of a triangle is also an altitude of the triangle, then the triangle is isosceles.
- **40.** The median to the base of an isosceles triangle bisects the vertex angle.
- **41.** Corresponding angle bisectors of congruent triangles are congruent.
- **42. ASTRONOMY** The Big Dipper is a part of the larger constellation Ursa Major. Three of the brighter stars in the constellation form  $\triangle RSA$ . If  $m \angle R = 41$  and  $m \angle S = 109$ , find  $m \angle A$ . (Lesson 4-2)



Write an equation in point-slope form of the line having the given slope that contains the given point.

(Lesson 3-4) 43. m = 2, (4, 3)

) 44. m = -3, (2, -2) 45. m = 11, (-4, -9)

Getting Ready for PREREQUISITE SKILL Determine whether each inequality is true or false. the Next Lesson (To review the meaning of inequalities, see pages 739 and 740.)

**46.** 19 - 10 < 11

**47.** 31 - 17 < 12

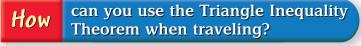
**48.** 38 + 76 > 109



# **5-4** The Triangle Inequality

#### What You'll Learn

- Apply the Triangle Inequality Theorem.
- Determine the shortest distance between a point and a line.



Chuck Noland travels between Chicago, Indianapolis, and Columbus as part of his job. Mr. Noland lives in Chicago and needs to get to Columbus as quickly as possible. Should he take a flight that goes from Chicago to Columbus, or a flight that goes from Chicago to Indianapolis, then to Columbus?

**THE TRIANGLE INEQUALITY** In the example above, if you chose to fly directly from Chicago to Columbus, you probably reasoned that a straight route is shorter. This is an example of the Triangle Inequality Theorem.

Theorem 5.11			
<b>Triangle Inequality Theorem</b> The sum of the lengths of any two sides of a triangle is greater than the length of the third side.	Examples: AB + BC > AC BC + AC > AB AC + AB > BC	A C B	

You will prove Theorem 5.11 in Exercise 40.

The Triangle Inequality Theorem can be used to determine whether three segments can form a triangle.

#### Example 🚺 Identify Sides of a Triangle

Determine whether the given measures can be the lengths of the sides of a triangle.

a. 2, 4, 5 Check each inequality.  $2 + 4 \stackrel{?}{>} 5$   $2 + 5 \stackrel{?}{>} 4$   $4 + 5 \stackrel{?}{>} 2$  $6 > 5 \checkmark$   $7 > 4 \checkmark$   $9 > 2 \checkmark$ 

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All of the inequalities are true, so 2, 4, and 5 can be the lengths of the sides of a triangle.

b. 6, 8, 14

 $6 + 8 \stackrel{?}{\Rightarrow} 14$  $14 \neq 14$ 

Because the sum of two measures equals the measure of the third side, the sides cannot form a triangle.

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#### Study Tip

#### Inequality

If the sum of the smallest number and the middle number is greater than the largest number, then each combination of inequalities are true. Ann Arbor 🥥

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Fort Wayne

Columbus

Chicago

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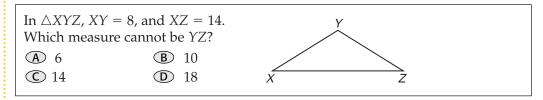
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When you know the lengths of two sides of a triangle, you can determine the range of possible lengths for the third side.



#### Example 2 Determine Possible Side Length

#### **Multiple-Choice Test Item**



#### **Read the Test Item**

You need to determine which value is not valid.

#### Solve the Test Item

Solve each inequality to determine the range of values for YZ.

are short on time, you can
test each choice to find
the correct answer and
eliminate any remaining
choices.

Test-Taking Tip

Testing Choices If you

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Let $YZ = n$ .		
XY + XZ > YZ	XY + YZ > XZ	YZ + XZ > XY
8 + 14 > n	8 + n > 14	n + 14 > 8
22 > n  or  n < 22	n > 6	n > -6

Graph the inequalities on the same number line.

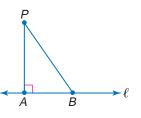
	Graph <i>n</i> < 22.
–6 –4 –2 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22	-
<+++++++ <b>⊕</b> +++++++++++++++++++++++++++++	Graph <i>n</i> > 6.
-6 -4 -2 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22	
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-6 -4 -2 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22	
-6 -4 -2 0 2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20 22	Find the intersection.

The range of values that fit all three inequalities is 6 < n < 22.

Examine the answer choices. The only value that does not satisfy the compound inequality is 6 since 6 = 6. Thus, the answer is choice A.

#### **DISTANCE BETWEEN A POINT AND A LINE**

Recall that the distance between point *P* and line  $\ell$  is measured along a perpendicular segment from the point to the line. It was accepted without proof that  $\overline{PA}$  was the shortest segment from *P* to  $\ell$ . The theorems involving the relationships between the angles and sides of a triangle can now be used to prove that a perpendicular segment is the shortest distance between a point and a line.



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#### Theorem 5.12

The perpendicular segment from a point to a line is the shortest segment from the point to the line.

**Example:**  $\overrightarrow{PQ}$  is the shortest segment from *P* to  $\overrightarrow{AB}$ .



	Example 3Prove Theorem 5.12Given: $\overline{PA} \perp \ell$ $\overline{PB}$ is any nonperpendicular segment from P to $\ell$ .Prove: $PB > PA$ Proof:	$P$ $1 2$ $A B \ell$
Study Tip Shortest Distance to a Line If a line is horizontal, the shortest distance from a point to that line will be along a vertical line. Likewise, the shortest distance from a point to a vertical line lies along a horizontal line.	<b>Statements</b> <b>1.</b> $\overline{PA} \perp \ell$ <b>2.</b> $\angle 1$ and $\angle 2$ are right angles. <b>3.</b> $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$ <b>4.</b> $m\angle 1 = m\angle 2$ <b>5.</b> $m\angle 1 > m\angle 3$ <b>6.</b> $m\angle 2 > m\angle 3$ <b>7.</b> $PB > PA$	<ol> <li>Reasons</li> <li>Given</li> <li>⊥ lines form right angles.</li> <li>All right angles are congruent.</li> <li>Definition of congruent angles</li> <li>Exterior Angle Inequality Theorem</li> <li>Substitution Property</li> <li>If an angle of a triangle is greater than a second angle, then the side opposite the greater angle is longer than the side opposite the lesser angle.</li> </ol>

Corollary 5.1 follows directly from Theorem 5.12.

#### **Corollary 5.1**

The perpendicular segment from a point to a plane is the shortest segment from the point to the plane.

#### **Example:**

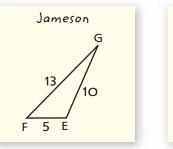
 $\overline{QP}$  is the shortest segment from P to Plane M.

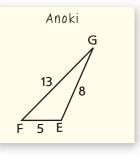


#### **Check for Understanding**

*Concept Check* 1. Explain why the distance between two nonhorizontal parallel lines on a coordinate plane cannot be found using the distance between their *y*-intercepts.

> **2. FIND THE ERROR** Jameson and Anoki drew  $\triangle EFG$  with FG = 13 and EF = 5. They each chose a possible measure for *GE*.





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Who is correct? Explain.

**3. OPEN ENDED** Find three numbers that can be the lengths of the sides of a triangle and three numbers that cannot be the lengths of the sides of a triangle. Justify your reasoning with a drawing.

#### vertical line lies along horizontal line.

www.geometryonline.com/extra\_examples CONTENTS *Guided Practice* Determine whether the given measures can be the lengths of the sides of a triangle. Write *yes* or *no*. Explain.

<b>4.</b> 5, 4, 3	<b>5.</b> 5, 15, 10
<b>6.</b> 30.1, 0.8, 31	<b>7.</b> 5.6, 10.1, 5.2

Find the range for the measure of the third side of a triangle given the measures of two sides.

8.	7 and 12	9.	14 and 23
10.	22 and 34	11.	15 and 18

**12. PROOF** Write a proof for Corollary 5.1. **Given:**  $\overline{PQ} \perp$  plane  $\mathcal{M}$ **Prove:**  $\overline{PQ}$  is the shortest segment from *P* to plane  $\mathcal{M}$ .

**13.** An isosceles triangle has a base 10 units long. If the congruent side lengths have whole number measures, what is the shortest possible length of the sides?

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(A) 5 (B) 6 (C) 17

#### **Practice and Apply**

Homework Help	Determine whether triangle. Write yes or	the given measures can be th 10. Explain.	ne lengths of the sides of a
For See Exercises Examples	<b>14.</b> 1, 2, 3	<b>15.</b> 2, 6, 11	<b>16.</b> 8, 8, 15
14–25 1	<b>17.</b> 13, 16, 29	<b>18.</b> 18, 32, 21	<b>19.</b> 9, 21, 20
26-37 2 38-40 3	<b>20.</b> 5, 17, 9	<b>21.</b> 17, 30, 30	<b>22.</b> 8.4, 7.2, 3.5
Extra Practice See page 764.	<b>23.</b> 4, 0.9, 4.1	<b>24.</b> 14.3, 12, 2.2	<b>25.</b> 0.18, 0.21, 0.52
	Find the range for th of two sides.	e measure of the third side	of a triangle given the measures
	<b>26.</b> 5 and 11	<b>27.</b> 7 and 9	<b>28.</b> 10 and 15
	<b>29.</b> 12 and 18	<b>30.</b> 21 and 47	<b>31.</b> 32 and 61
	<b>32.</b> 30 and 30	<b>33.</b> 64 and 88	<b>34.</b> 57 and 55
	<b>35.</b> 75 and 75	<b>36.</b> 78 and 5	<b>37.</b> 99 and 2
	<b>PROOF</b> Write a two	o-column proof.	
	<b>38. Given:</b> $\angle B \cong \angle A$	ACB <b>39.</b> Gi	<b>ven:</b> $\overline{HE} \cong \overline{EG}$
	<b>Prove:</b> $AD + AB$	> CD Pro	<b>ove:</b> $HE + FG > EF$
		D	
	(Hint: Draw auxi	> <i>AB</i> (Triangle Inequality Th liary segment $\overline{CD}$ , so <i>B</i> and <i>D</i> and $\overline{CD} \cong \overline{AC}$ .)	A neorem) C B





# **ALGEBRA** Determine whether the given coordinates are the vertices of a triangle. Explain.

<b>41.</b> <i>A</i> (5, 8), <i>B</i> (2, -4), <i>C</i> (-3, -1)	42.	L(-24, -1
<b>43.</b> <i>X</i> (0, -8), <i>Y</i> (16, -12), <i>Z</i> (28, -15)	44.	R(1, -4), S

#### **12.** *L*(-24, -19), *M*(-22, 20), *N*(-5, -7) **14.** *R*(1, -4), *S*(-3, -20), *T*(5, 12)

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#### **CRAFTS** For Exercises 45 and 46, use the following information.

Carlota has several strips of trim she wishes to use as a triangular border for a section of a decorative quilt she is going to make. The strips measure 3 centimeters, 4 centimeters, 5 centimeters, 6 centimeters, and 12 centimeters.

- 45. How many different triangles could Carlota make with the strips?
- **46.** How many different triangles could Carlota make that have a perimeter that is divisible by 3?
- **47. HISTORY** The early Egyptians used to make triangles by using a rope with knots tied at equal intervals. Each vertex of the triangle had to occur at a knot. How many different triangles can be formed using the rope below?



#### **PROBABILITY** For Exercises 48 and 49, use the following information.

One side of a triangle is 2 feet long. Let *m* represent the measure of the second side and *n* represent the measure of the third side. Suppose *m* and *n* are whole numbers and that 14 < m < 17 and 13 < n < 17.

- 48. List the measures of the sides of the triangles that are possible.
- **49.** What is the probability that a randomly chosen triangle that satisfies the given conditions will be isosceles?
- **50. CRITICAL THINKING** State and prove a theorem that compares the measures of each side of a triangle with the differences of the measures of the other two sides.
- **51.** WRITING IN MATH Answer the question that was posed at the beginning of the lesson.

#### How can you use the Triangle Inequality when traveling?

Include the following in your answer:

- an example of a situation in which you might want to use the greater measures, and
- an explanation as to why it is not always possible to apply the Triangle Inequality when traveling.

Standardized Test Practice	52.	If two sides which of th perimeter o	e followi	ing cannot l		7, 7	12
		<b>A</b> 29		<b>B</b> 34			
		<b>C</b> 37		<b>D</b> 38			
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1000		(A) none		<b>B</b> one	(	C two	D three

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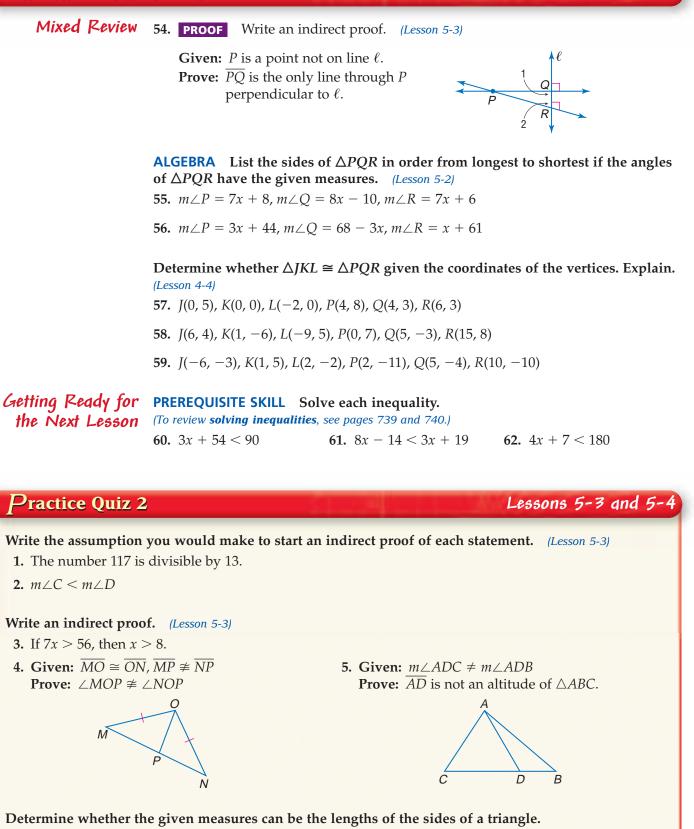
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#### History •······

Ancient Egyptians used pieces of flattened, dried papyrus reed as paper. Surviving examples include the Rhind Papyrus and the Moscow Papyrus, from which we have attained most of our knowledge about Egyptian mathematics. **Source:** www.aldokkan.com

#### **Maintain Your Skills**



Write *yes* or *no*. Explain. (Lesson 5-4)

**6.** 7, 24, 25

**8.** 20, 3, 18

**9.** 5, 10, 6

**10.** If the measures of two sides of a triangle are 57 and 32, what is the range of possible measures of the third side? *(Lesson 5-4)* 

7. 25, 35, 60



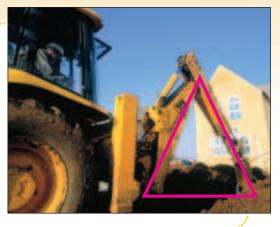
# **Inequalities Involving Two Triangles**

#### What You'll Learn

- Apply the SAS Inequality.
- Apply the SSS Inequality.

#### How does a backhoe work?

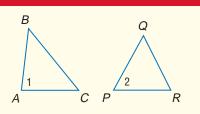
Many objects, like a backhoe, have two fixed arms connected by a joint or hinge. This allows the angle between the arms to increase and decrease. As the angle changes, the distance between the endpoints of the arms changes as well.



**SAS INEQUALITY** The relationship of the arms and the angle between them illustrates the following theorem.

#### Theorem 5.13

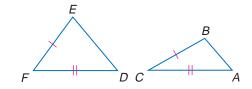
SAS Inequality/Hinge Theorem If two sides of a triangle are congruent to two sides of another triangle and the included angle in one triangle has a greater measure than the included angle in the other, then the third side of the first triangle is longer than the third side of the second triangle.



**Example:** Given  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{PQ}$ ,  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{PR}$ , if  $m \angle 1 > m \angle 2$ , then BC > QR.

#### **Proof** SAS Inequality Theorem

**Given:**  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DF}, \overline{BC} \cong \overline{EF}$  $m \angle F > m \angle C$ 

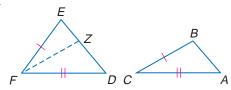


**Prove:** DE > AB

#### **Proof:**

We are given that  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DF}$  and  $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{EF}$ . We also know that  $m \angle F > m \angle C$ . Draw auxiliary ray *FZ* such that  $m \angle DFZ = m \angle C$  and that  $\overline{ZF} \cong \overline{BC}$ . This leads to two cases.

**Case 1:** If *Z* lies on *DE*, then  $\triangle FZD \cong \triangle CBA$ by SAS. Thus, ZD = BA by CPCTC and the definition of congruent segments. By the Segment Addition Postulate, DE = EZ + ZD. Also, DE > ZD by the definition of inequality. Therefore, DE > AB by the Substitution Property.



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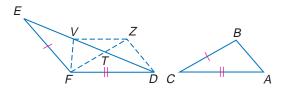
#### Study Tip

SAS Inequality The SAS Inequality Theorem is also called the Hinge Theorem.

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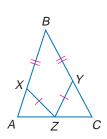
**Case 2:** If *Z* does not lie on  $\overline{DE}$ , then let the intersection of  $\overline{FZ}$  and  $\overline{ED}$  be point *T*. Now draw another auxiliary segment  $\overline{FV}$  such that *V* is on  $\overline{DE}$  and  $\angle EFV \cong \angle VFZ$ .



Since  $\overline{FZ} \cong \overline{BC}$  and  $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{EF}$ , we have  $\overline{FZ} \cong \overline{EF}$  by the Transitive Property. Also  $\overline{VF}$  is congruent to itself by the Reflexive Property. Thus,  $\triangle EFV \cong \triangle ZFV$  by SAS. By CPCTC,  $\overline{EV} \cong \overline{ZV}$  or EV = ZV. Also,  $\triangle FZD \cong \triangle CBA$  by SAS. So,  $\overline{ZD} \cong \overline{BA}$  by CPCTC or ZD = BA. In  $\triangle VZD$ , VD + ZV > ZD by the Triangle Inequality Theorem. By substitution, VD + EV > ZD. Since ED = VD + EV by the Segment Addition Postulate, ED > ZD. Using substitution, ED > BA or DE > AB.

#### Example 🕕 Use SAS Inequality in a Proof

Write a	Write a two-column proof.		
Given:	$\overline{YZ} \cong \overline{XZ}$		
	<i>Z</i> is the midpoint of $\overline{AC}$ .		
	$\underline{m} \angle CZY > m \angle AZX$		
	$BY \cong BX$		
Prove:	BC > AB		



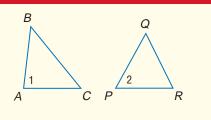
#### **Proof:**

Statements	Reasons
<b>1.</b> $\overline{YZ} \cong \overline{XZ}$	1. Given
Z is the midpoint of $\overline{AC}$ .	
$\underline{m} \angle CZY > m \angle AZX$	
$BY \cong BX$	
<b>2.</b> $CZ = AZ$	<b>2.</b> Definition of midpoint
<b>3.</b> $CY > AX$	<b>3.</b> SAS Inequality
4. BY = BX	4. Definition of congruent segments
5. CY + BY > AX + BX	5. Addition Property
6. BC = CY + BY	6. Segment Addition Postulate
AB = AX + BX	
<b>7.</b> BC > AB	7. Substitution Property

**SSS INEQUALITY** The converse of the SAS Inequality Theorem is the SSS Inequality Theorem.

#### Theorem 5.14

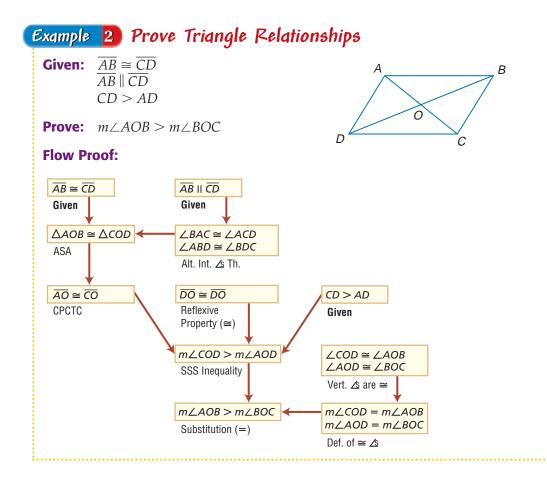
**SSS Inequality** If two sides of a triangle are congruent to two sides of another triangle and the third side in one triangle is longer than the third side in the other, then the angle between the pair of congruent sides in the first triangle is greater than the corresponding angle in the second triangle.



**Example:** Given  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{PQ}$ ,  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{PR}$ , if BC > QR, then  $m \angle 1 > m \angle 2$ .

You will prove Theorem 5.14 in Exercise 24.

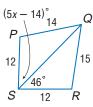




You can use algebra to relate the measures of the angles and sides of two triangles.

#### Example 3 Relationships Between Two Triangles

Write an inequality using the information in the figure.(5x - 1)a. Compare  $m \angle QSR$  and  $m \angle QSP$ .PIn  $\triangle PQS$  and  $\triangle RQS$ ,  $\overline{PS} \cong \overline{RS}$ ,  $\overline{QS} \cong \overline{QS}$ , and QR > QP.12The SAS Inequality allows us to conclude that12 $m \angle QSR > m \angle QSP$ .S



#### b. Find the range of values containing *x*.

By the SSS Inequality,  $m \angle QSR > m \angle QSP$ , or  $m \angle QSP < m \angle QSR$ .

 $m \angle QSP < m \angle QSR$  SSS Inequality

5x - 14 < 46Substitution5x < 60Add 14 to each side.

x < 12 Divide each side by 5.

Also, recall that the measure of any angle is always greater than 0.

5x - 14 > 0 5x > 14 Add 14 to each side.  $x > \frac{14}{5} \text{ or } 2.8$  Divide each side by 5.

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The two inequalities can be written as the compound inequality 2.8 < x < 12.

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Health •·····

Physical therapists help their patients regain range of motion after an illness or injury. They also teach patients exercises to help prevent injury. **Source:** www.apta.org Inequalities involving triangles can be used to describe real-world situations.

#### Example 👍 Use Triangle Inequalities

**HEALTH** Range of motion describes the amount that a limb can be moved from a straight position. To determine the range of motion of a person's forearm, determine the distance from his or her wrist to the shoulder when the elbow is bent as far as possible. Suppose Jessica can bend her left arm so her wrist is 5 inches from her shoulder and her right arm so her right wrist is 3 inches from her shoulder. Which of Jessica's arms has the greater range of motion? Explain.



The distance between the wrist and shoulder is smaller on her right arm. Assuming that both her arms have the same measurements, the SSS inequality tells us that the angle formed at the elbow is smaller on the right arm. This means that the right arm has a greater range of motion.

#### **Check for Understanding**

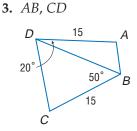
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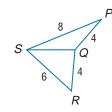
**1. OPEN ENDED Describe** a real-world object that illustrates either SAS or SSS inequality.

**2. Compare and contrast** the SSS Inequality Theorem to the SSS Postulate for triangle congruence.

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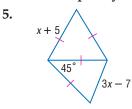
**Guided Practice** Write an inequality relating the given pair of angles or segment measures.

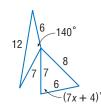




**4.**  $m \angle PQS, m \angle RQS$ 

Write an inequality to describe the possible values of *x*.

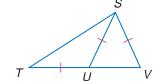




**PROOF** Write a two-column proof.

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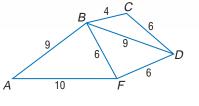
Application9. TOOLSA lever is used to multiply the<br/>force applied to an object. One example of<br/>a lever is a pair of pliers. Use the SAS or<br/>SSS Inequality to explain how to use a pair<br/>of pliers.



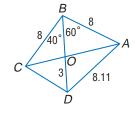
### **Practice and Apply**

Homework Help		
For Exercises	See Examples	
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10-19	3	
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Extra Practice See page 764.		

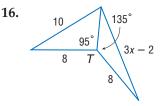
Write an inequality relating the given pair of angles or segment measures.
10. AB, FD
11. m∠BDC, m∠FDB
12. m∠FBA, m∠DBF

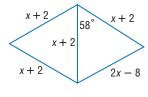


Write an inequality relating the given pair of angles or segment measures.
13. AD, DC
14. OC, OA
15. m∠AOD, m∠AOB



Write an inequality to describe the possible values of *x*.

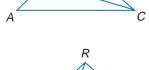




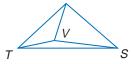
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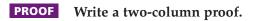
- **18.** In the figure,  $\overline{AM} \cong \overline{MB}$ , AC > BC,  $m \angle 1 = 5x + 20$  and  $m \angle 2 = 8x 100$ . Write an inequality to describe the possible values of *x*.
- **19.** In the figure,  $m \angle RVS = 15 + 5x$ ,  $m \angle SVT = 10x 20$ , RS < ST, and  $\angle RTV \cong \angle TRV$ . Write an inequality to describe the possible values of *x*.

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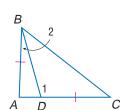


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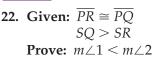


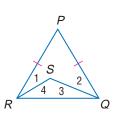


**20. Given:**  $\triangle ABC$  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ **Prove:** BC > AD

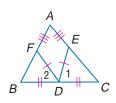


Lesson 5-5 Inequalities Involving Two Triangles 271 C Squared Studios/PhotoDisc **PROOF** Write a two-column proof.



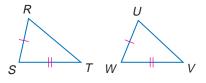


**23.** Given:  $\overline{ED} \cong \overline{DF}$  $m \angle 1 > m \angle 2$ *D* is the midpoint of *CB*.  $AE \cong AF$ **Prove:** AC > AB



24. **PROOF** Use an indirect proof to prove the SSS Inequality Theorem (Theorem 5.14).

**Given:**  $\overline{RS} \cong \overline{UW}$  $\overline{ST} \cong \overline{WV}$ RT > UV**Prove:**  $m \angle S > m \angle W$ 



**25. DOORS** Open a door slightly. With the door open, measure the angle made by the door and the door frame. Measure the distance from the end of the door to the door frame. Open the door wider, and measure again. How do the measures compare?



• 26. LANDSCAPING When landscapers plant new trees, they usually brace the tree using a stake tied to the trunk of the tree. Use the SAS or SSS Inequality to explain why this is an effective method for supporting a newly planted tree.



**27. CRITICAL THINKING** The SAS Inequality states that the base of an isosceles triangle gets longer as the measure of the vertex angle increases. Describe the effect of changing the measure of the vertex angle on the measure of the altitude.

#### **BIOLOGY** For Exercises 28–30, use the following information.

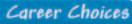
The velocity of a person walking or running can be estimated using the formula

 $v = \frac{0.78s^{1.67}}{1.67}$  $\frac{1}{h^{1.17}}$ , where v is the velocity of the person in meters per second, s is the

length of the stride in meters, and *h* is the height of the hip in meters.

- **28.** Find the velocities of two people that each have a hip height of 0.85 meters and whose strides are 1.0 meter and 1.2 meters.
- **29.** Copy and complete the table at the right for a person whose hip height is 1.1 meters.
- **30.** Discuss how the stride length is related to either the SAS Inequality of the SSS Inequality.

Stride (m)	Velocity (m/s)
0.25	
0.50	
0.75	
1.00	
1.25	
1.50	





#### .andscape Architect

Landscape architects design the settings of buildings and parklands by arranging both the location of the buildings and the placement of plant life so the site is functional, beautiful, and environmentally friendly.

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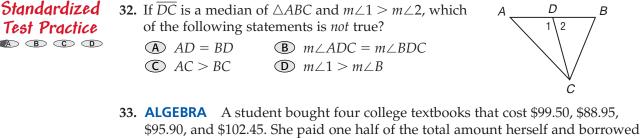
#### 31. WRITING IN MATH

Answer the question that was posed at the beginning of the lesson.

#### How does a backhoe work?

Include the following in your answer:

- a description of the angle between the arms as the backhoe operator digs, and
- an explanation of how the distance between the ends of the arms is related to the angle between them.



- the rest from her mother. She repaid her mother in 4 equal monthly payments. How much was each of the monthly payments?
  - A
     \$24.18
     B
     \$48.35
     C
     \$96.70
     D
     \$193.40

intain Your	Skills	M	al l'hat a se an	
Mixed Review	Determine whether the given measures can be the lengths of the sides of a triangle. Write <i>yes</i> or <i>no</i> . Explain. (Lesson 5-4)			
	<b>34.</b> 25, 1, 21 <b>35.</b> 1	6, 6, 19	<b>36.</b> 8, 7, 15	
	Write the assumption you would make to start an indirect proof of each statement. (Lesson 5-3)			
	<b>37.</b> $\overline{AD}$ is a median of $\triangle ABC$ .			
	<b>38.</b> If two altitudes of a triangle a	re congruent, then th	e triangle is isosceles.	
	Write a proof. (Lesson 4-5)			
	<b>39. Given:</b> $\overline{AD}$ bisects $\overline{BE}$ . $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{DE}$	40. Given:	$\overline{\underline{OM}} \text{ bisects } \angle LMN.$ $\overline{LM} \cong \overline{MN}$	
	<b>Prove:</b> $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEC$	Prove:	$\triangle MOL \cong \triangle MON$	
		М	N O L	
	Find the measures of the sides of $\triangle EFG$ with the given vertices and classify e triangle by its sides. (Lesson 4-1)			
	<b>41.</b> <i>E</i> (4, 6), <i>F</i> (4, 11), <i>G</i> (9, 6)	<b>42.</b> <i>E</i> (-7, 10	)), F(15, 0), G(-2, -1)	
	<b>43.</b> <i>E</i> (16, 14), <i>F</i> (7, 6), <i>G</i> (-5, -14)	<b>44.</b> E(9, 9).	F(12, 14), G(14, 6)	

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**45. ADVERTISING** An ad for Wildflowers Gift Boutique says *When it has to be special, it has to be Wildflowers.* Catalina needs a special gift. Does it follow that she should go to Wildflowers? Explain. (*Lesson 2-4*)



**Study Guide and Review** 

#### Vocabulary and Concept Check

altitude (p. 241)		
centroid (p. 240)		
circumcenter (p. 238)		
concurrent lines (p. 238)		

incenter (p. 240) indirect proof (p. 255) indirect reasoning (p. 255) median (p. 240) orthocenter (p. 241) perpendicular bisector (p. 238) point of concurrency (p. 238) proof by contradiction (p. 255)

For a complete list of postulates and theorems, see pages R1–R8.

#### **Exercises** Choose the correct term to complete each sentence.

- 1. All of the angle bisectors of a triangle meet at the (*incenter*, *circumcenter*).
- **2.** In  $\triangle RST$ , if point *P* is the midpoint of  $\overline{RS}$ , then  $\overline{PT}$  is a(n) (angle bisector, median).
- **3.** The theorem that the sum of the lengths of two sides of a triangle is greater than the length of the third side is the (*Triangle Inequality Theorem*, *SSS Inequality*).
- 4. The three medians of a triangle intersect at the (*centroid*, *orthocenter*).
- **5.** In  $\triangle JKL$ , if point *H* is equidistant from  $\overrightarrow{KJ}$  and  $\overrightarrow{KL}$ , then  $\overleftarrow{HK}$  is an (angle bisector, altitude).
- **6.** The circumcenter of a triangle is the point where all three (*perpendicular bisectors , medians*) of the sides of the triangle intersect.
- **7.** In  $\triangle ABC$ , if  $\overrightarrow{AK} \perp \overrightarrow{BC}, \overrightarrow{BK} \perp \overrightarrow{AC}$ , and  $\overrightarrow{CK} \perp \overrightarrow{AB}$ , then *K* is the (*orthocenter*, *incenter*) of  $\triangle ABC$ .

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#### Lesson-by-Lesson Review

### Bisectors, Medians, and Altitudes



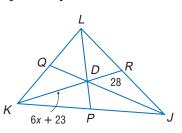
#### Concept Summary

• The perpendicular bisectors, angle bisectors, medians, and altitudes of a triangle are all special segments in triangles.

#### Example

#### Points *P*, *Q*, and *R* are the midpoints of $\overline{JK}$ , $\overline{KL}$ , and $\overline{JL}$ , respectively. Find *x*.

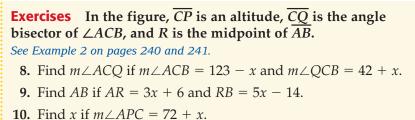
 $KD = \frac{2}{3}(KR)$ Centroid Theorem $6x + 23 = \frac{2}{3}(6x + 51)$ Substitution6x + 23 = 4x + 34Simplify.2x = 11Subtract 4x + 23 from each side. $x = \frac{11}{2}$ Divide each side by 2.



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PQR

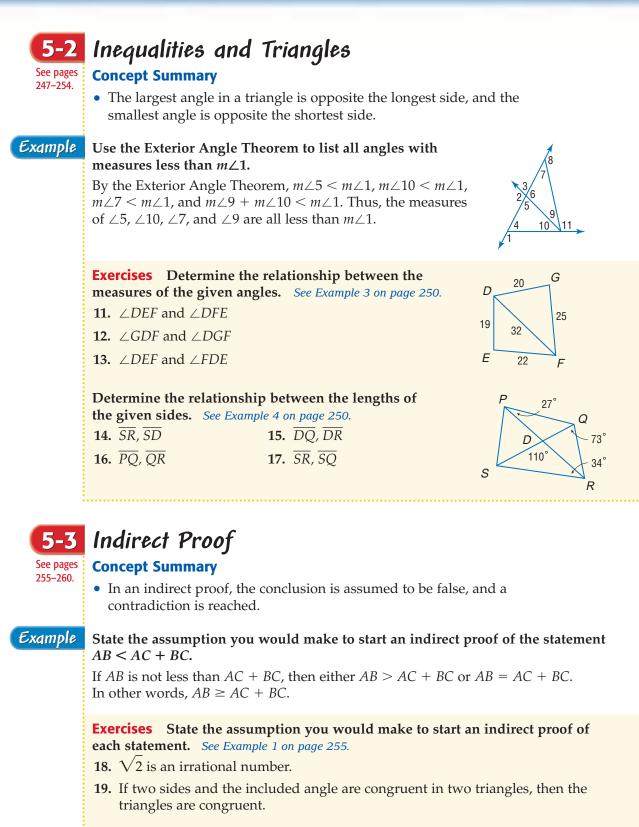
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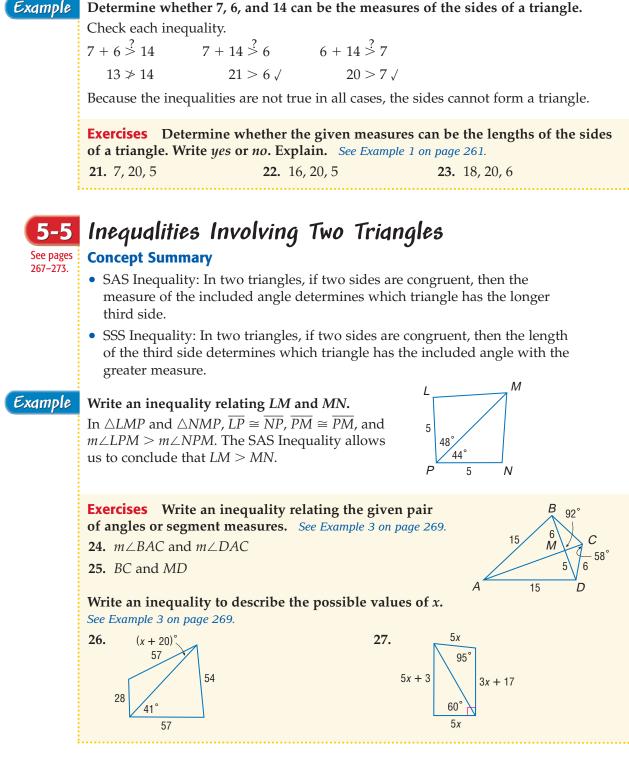
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#### **Chapter 5 Study Guide and Review**



**20. FOOTBALL** Miguel plays quarterback for his high school team. This year, he completed 101 passes in the five games in which he played. Prove that, in at least one game, Miguel completed more than 20 passes.

Extra Practice, see pages 763 and 764.
Mixed Problem Solving, see page 786.



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The Triangle Inequality

**Concept Summary** 

length of the third side.

See pages

261-266.

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• The sum of the lengths of any two sides of a triangle is greater than the



### **Practice Test**

#### Vocabulary and Concepts

#### Choose the letter that best matches each description.

- 1. point of concurrency of the angle bisectors of a triangle
- 2. point of concurrency of the altitudes of a triangle
- 3. point of concurrency of the perpendicular bisectors of a triangle

#### **Skills and Applications**

In  $\triangle GHJ$ , HP = 5x - 16, PJ = 3x + 8,  $m \angle GJN = 6y - 3$ ,  $m \angle NJH = 4y + 23$ , and  $m \angle HMG = 4z + 14$ .

- **4.** *GP* is a median of  $\triangle GHJ$ . Find *HJ*.
- **5.** Find  $m \angle G H$  if  $\overline{IN}$  is an angle bisector.
- **6.** If  $\overline{HM}$  is an altitude of  $\angle GHJ$ , find the value of z.

#### Refer to the figure at the right. Determine which angle has the greatest measure.

**8.** ∠6, ∠7, ∠8 **7.** ∠8, ∠5, ∠7

#### Write the assumption you would make to start an indirect proof of each statement.

- **10.** If *n* is a natural number, then  $2^n + 1$  is odd.
- **11.** Alternate interior angles are congruent.
- **12. BUSINESS** Over the course of three days, Marcus spent one and one-half hours on a teleconference for his marketing firm. Use indirect reasoning to show that, on at least one day, Marcus spent at least one half-hour on a teleconference.

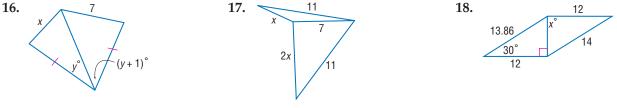
14. 14 and 11

#### Find the range for the measure of the third side of a triangle given the measures of two sides.

**13.** 1 and 14

#### Write an inequality for the possible values of *x*.

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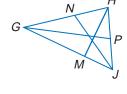
- 19. **GEOGRAPHY** The distance between Atlanta and Cleveland is about 554 miles. The distance between Cleveland and New York City is about 399 miles. Use the Triangle Inequality Theorem to find the possible values of the distance between New York and Atlanta.
- 20. STANDARDIZED TEST PRACTICE A given triangle has two sides with measures 8 and 11. Which of the following is *not* a possible measure for the third side? A) 3
- **B** 7 C 12 D 18

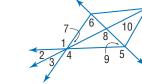
**9.** ∠1, ∠6, ∠9

$$7$$
 13.86  $x$  14 2x 11 12 12

15. 13 and 19

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**c.** orthocenter

a. circumcenter

d. centroid

**b.** incenter

# **5** Standardized Test Practice

#### Part 1 Multiple Choice

Record your answers on the answer sheet provided by your teacher or on a sheet of paper.

1. Tamara works at a rug and tile store after school. The ultra-plush carpet has 80 yarn fibers per square inch. How many fibers are in a square yard? (Prerequisite Skill)

<b>A</b> 2,880	<b>B</b> 8,640
<b>C</b> 34,560	<b>D</b> 103,680

- 2. What is the perimeter of the figure? (Lesson 1-4)
  - (A) 20 units
    (B) 46 units
    (C) 90 units
    (D) 132 units
- **3.** Which is a correct statement about the conditional and its converse below? (Lesson 2-2)

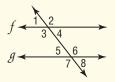
Statement: If the measure of an angle is 50°, then the angle is an acute angle.

Converse: If an angle is an acute angle, then the measure of the angle is 50°.

- (A) The statement and its converse are both true.
- **B** The statement is true, but its converse is false.
- C The statement and its converse are both false.
- **D** The statement is false, but its converse is true.
- **4.** Six people attend a meeting. When the meeting is over, each person exchanges business cards with each of the other people. Use noncollinear points to determine how many exchanges are made. (Lesson 2-3)

(A) 6 (B) 15 (C) 36 (D) 60

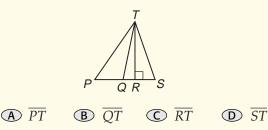
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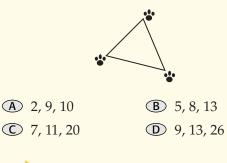
- **5.** What is the term used to describe  $\angle 4$  and  $\angle 5$ ? (Lesson 3-1)
  - (A) alternate exterior angles
  - **B** alternate interior angles
  - C consecutive interior angles
  - **D** corresponding angles
- **6.** Given that lines f and g are not parallel, what assumption can be made to prove that  $\angle 3$  is not congruent to  $\angle 7$ ? (Lesson 5-2)

(A) $f \parallel g$	$\textcircled{B} \angle 3 \cong \angle 7$
$\bigcirc$ $\angle 3 \cong \angle 2$	<b>D</b> $m \angle 3 \cong m \angle 7$

**7.**  $\overline{QT}$  is a median of  $\triangle PST$ , and  $\overline{RT}$  is an altitude of  $\triangle PST$ . Which of the following line segments is shortest? (Lesson 5-4)



**8.** A paleontologist found the tracks of an animal that is now extinct. Which of the following lengths could be the measures of the three sides of the triangle formed by the tracks? (Lesson 5-4)



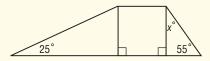
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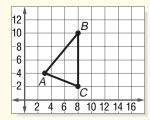
#### Part 2 Short Response/Grid In

Record your answers on the answer sheet provided by your teacher or on a sheet of paper.

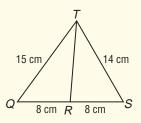
- **9.** The top of an access ramp to a building is 2 feet higher than the lower end of the ramp. If the lower end is 24 feet from the building, what is the slope of the ramp? (Lesson 3-3)
- **10.** The ramps at a local skate park vary in steepness. Find *x*. (Lesson 4-2)



# For Questions 11 and 12, refer to the graph below.



- **11.** During a soccer game, a player stands near the goal at point *A*. The goalposts are located at points *B* and *C*. The goalkeeper stands at point *P* on the goal line  $\overline{BC}$  so that  $\overline{AP}$  forms a median. What is the location of the goalkeeper? (Lesson 5-1)
- **12.** A defender positions herself on the goal line  $\overline{BC}$  at point *T* to assist the goalkeeper. If  $\overline{AT}$  forms an altitude of  $\triangle ABC$ , what is the location of defender *T*? (Lesson 5-1)
- **13.** What postulate or theorem could you use to prove that the measure of  $\angle QRT$  is greater than the measure of  $\angle SRT$ ? (Lesson 5-5)





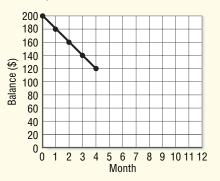
#### **Test-Taking Tip**

**Questions 7, 10, and 11** Review any terms that you have learned before you take a test. Remember that a median is a segment that connects a vertex of a triangle to the midpoint of the opposite side. An altitude is a perpendicular segment from a vertex to the opposite side.

#### Part 3 Open Ended

# Record your answers on a sheet of paper. Show your work.

14. Kendell is purchasing a new car stereo for \$200. He agreed to pay the same amount each month until the \$200 is paid. Kendell made the graph below to help him figure out when the amount will be paid. (Lesson 3-3)



- **a.** Use the slope of the line to write an argument that the line intersects the *x*-axis at (10, 0).
- **b.** What does the point (10, 0) represent?
- **15.** The vertices of △*ABC* are A(-3, 1), B(0, -2), and C(3, 4).
  - **a.** Graph  $\triangle ABC$ . (Prerequisite Skill)
  - b. Use the Distance Formula to find the length of each side to the nearest tenth. (Lesson 1-3)
  - **c.** What type of triangle is △*ABC*? How do you know? (Lesson 4-1)
  - **d.** Prove  $\angle A \cong \angle B$ . (Lesson 4-6)
  - **e.** Prove  $m \angle A > m \angle C$ . (Lesson 5-3)

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