Geometry Unit 10

11-3: Area of Trapezoids

Warm-Up

• On the whiteboards:

Give the Equations for the area of the following figures:

1.) Rectangle: A = bh

2.) Square:
$$A = s^2$$

3.) Parallelogram:
$$A = bh$$

4.) Triangle: $A = \frac{1}{2}bh$
5.) Rhombus: $A = \frac{1}{2}d_1d_2$

Area of a Trapezoid

• <u>Content Objective</u>: Students will be able to find the area of various trapezoids.

• Language Objective: Students will be able to identify the parts of Trapezoids, using them in an equation to find the area of the Trapezoids.

- Start with this example: Find the Area of this shape.
- Recall how we took the area of a parallelogram, as well as how we took the area of a triangle.



1.) Draw a flipped version of the trapezoid next to your current trapezoid.

- 2.) Add the trapezoids together.
- In the space provided, illustrate this addition by drawing the two shapes attached to each other.



• The final result should look like this:





3.)The combined figure looks like a Parallelogram



• Find its Area:

• $A = 6 \times (10 + 8) = 6 \times 18 = 108$



This is only half the area you just took.



• To find this area: $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 108 = 54$

5.) Return to the original figure and examine its parts, comparing them to the constructed parallelogram.



Area of a Trapezoid

Theorem 11-5: The area of a trapezoid equals half the product of the height and the sum of the bases.

Equation: $A = \frac{1}{2}h(b_1 + b_2)$





Practice Problems

• Find the area of each trapezoid.

 $\sqrt{21}$



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Solution:

Area of a Trapezoid $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 12 (14 + 9)$ $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 12 (23)$ $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 276$ $A = \mathbf{138}$













• Find the area of each trapezoid in your groups.



Solution:

Area of a Trapezoid $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 9(15 + 6)$ $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 9(21)$ $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 189$ A = 94.5

8.)

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7 4.2 4.2 35° Area of a Trapezoid $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 4.2(13 + 7)$ $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 4.2(20)$ $A = \frac{1}{2} \times 84$

A = 42

