

Geometry Unit 3: Proofs

If-Then Statements;
Converses

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Warmup

- How you feel when you hear about proofs...

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=H07zYvkNYL8>

If-Then Statements; Converses

- **Content Objective**: Students will be able to identify the hypothesis and conclusion of conditional statements.
- **Language Objective**: Students will be able to identify and state counterexamples for conditional statements, if they exists.

Conditional Statements

- **If-then statements**, or **conditional statements**, are statements that begin with a hypothesis (the “If”) and leads to a conclusion (the “Then”).
- The basic form of an if-then statement is:
If p , then q
- Where p is the hypothesis, and q is the conclusion.
- Example (More real world): If it rains, then my car will be covered in dirt.
- Example (In Geometry): If B is between A and C, then $AB + BC = AC$.

Conditional Statements

- Conditional Statements are not always written with the “If” first. Here are some examples (They all mean the same thing).

General Form

p implies q .

p only if q .

q if p .

Example

$x^2 = 25$ implies $x < 10$

$x^2 = 25$ only if $x < 10$

$x < 10$ if $x^2 = 25$

Converses

- The **Converse** of a conditional statement is formed by switching the hypothesis and conclusion.
- Statement: If p , then q . Converse: If q , then p .
- A statement and its converse say different things. In some cases, a statement can be true, but its converse can come out to be false.

Statement: If $4x = 20$, then $x = 5$.

True Converse: If $x = 5$, then $4x = 20$.

Counterexample

- An If-then statement is false if an example can be found where the hypothesis is true, but the conclusion is false. We call this a **Counterexample**.

- It only takes one counterexample to disprove a statement.

Statement: If $x^2 = 25$, then $x = 5$

Counterexample: x could also equal -5 .

- Thus the statement is disproven.