

Geometry Unit 7

Test study Guide/Breakdown

Word Problems with Ratios – 1 Problem

- Example:

The measures of the angles of a triangle are in the ratio 3:4:5. Find the measure of all the angles.

- Solution:

Make an equation using the ratios and how they relate to the term described

$$3x + 4x + 5x = 180$$

Next solve the equation for x:

$$12x = 180$$

$$x = 15$$

Then multiply the value of x into the three numbers in the ratio to find the angles

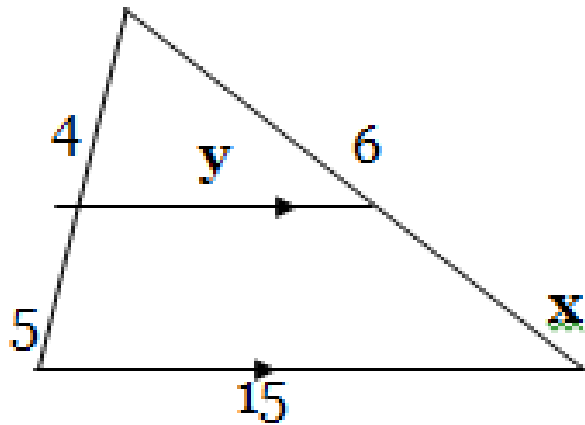
$$3(15) = 45$$

$$4(15) = 60$$

$$5(15) = 75$$

Identify the Correct Proportions – 1 Question

- Example: Identify (circle) all proportions that can be used to solve for the given variable.



a.) $\frac{4}{5} = \frac{6}{x}$

b.) $\frac{4}{6} = \frac{5}{x}$

c.) $\frac{4}{x} = \frac{5}{6}$

d.) $\frac{9}{5} = \frac{x+6}{x}$

e.) $\frac{4}{9} = \frac{x+6}{6}$

f.) $\frac{9}{4} = \frac{x+6}{6}$

Solving for missing sides and angles in similar polygons.

- $ABCD \sim A'B'C'D'$. Determine the following values based on the given diagrams.

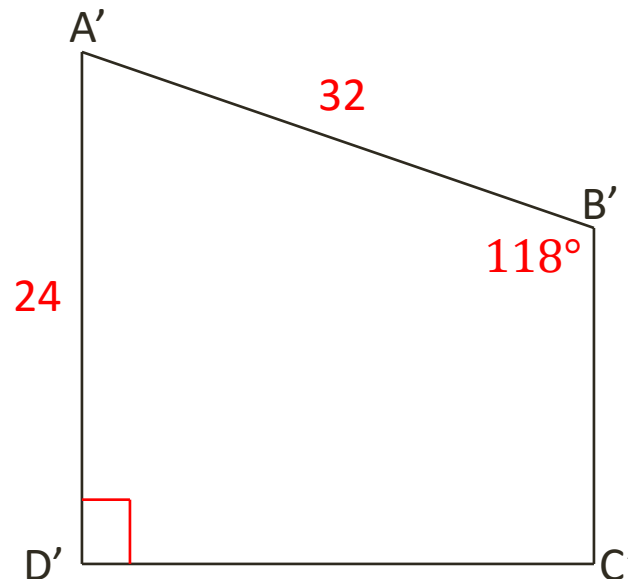
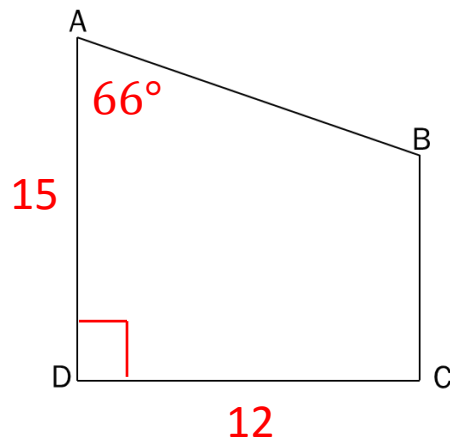
A.) scale factor of $ABCD$ to $A'B'C'D'$

B.) $m \angle B$

C.) $m \angle C$

D.) $D'C'$

E.) AB



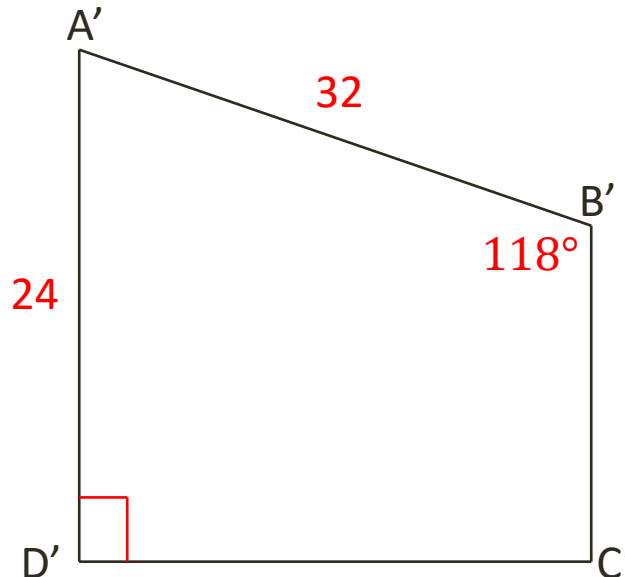
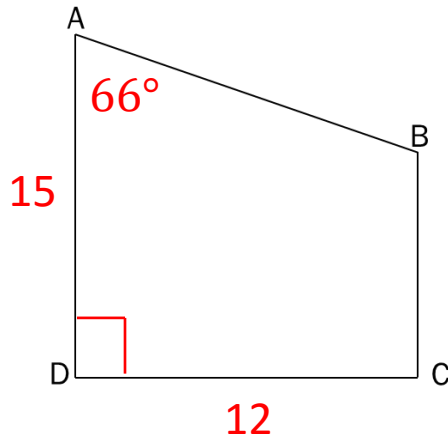
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Solutions:

A.) scale factor of ABCD to A'B'C'D'

Use the corresponding sides that both have measures given:

$$\frac{AD}{A'D'} = \frac{15}{24} = \frac{5}{8}$$



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Solution:

B.) $m \angle B$

Corresponding Angles are Congruent

Since $m \angle B' = 118$, then $m \angle B = 118$.

C.) $m \angle C$

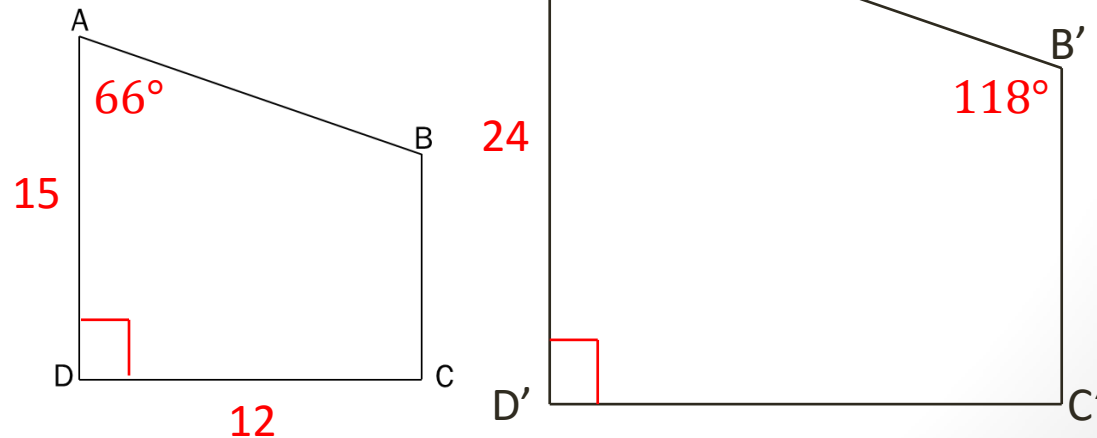
Now that we have 3 of the 4 angles in Quad ABCD, we can find $m \angle C$

$$m \angle A + m \angle D + m \angle B + m \angle C = 360$$

$$66 + 90 + 118 + m \angle C = 360$$

$$274 + m \angle C = 360$$

$$m \angle C = 86$$



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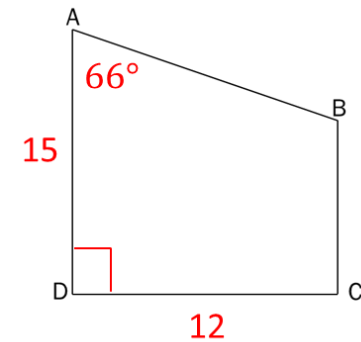
D.) $D'C'$

Make a proportion with this side and its corresponding side, set equal to the scale factor:

$$\frac{DC}{D'C'} = \frac{12}{x} = \frac{5}{8}$$

$$96 = 5x$$

$$x = \frac{96}{5} \text{ or } 19\frac{1}{5}$$



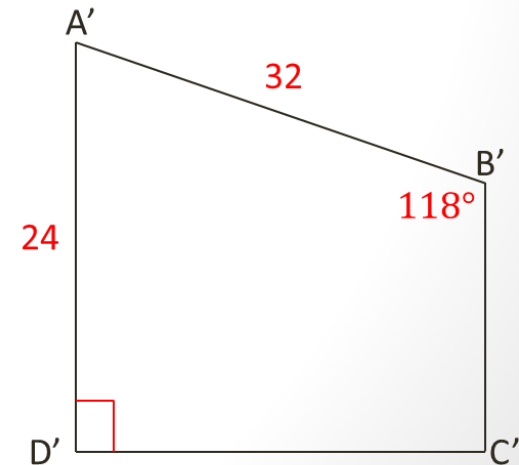
E.) AB

Do the same that you did for part D.):

$$\frac{AB}{A'B'} = \frac{x}{32} = \frac{5}{8}$$

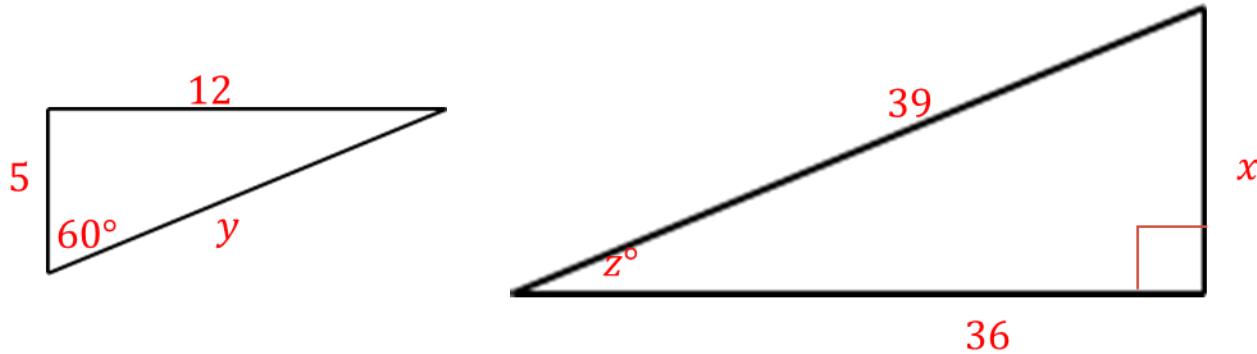
$$8x = 160$$

$$x = 20$$



Solving for missing sides and angles in similar polygons

- Given similar polygons, find the values of x , y and z .

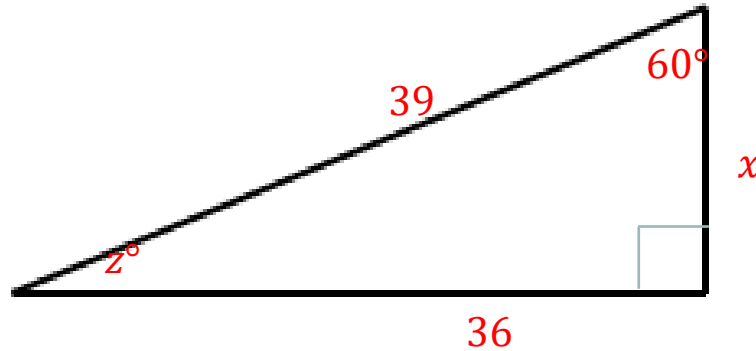
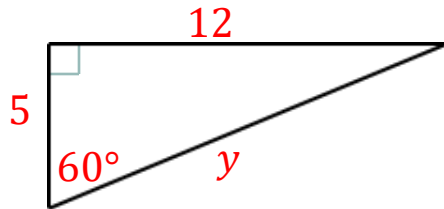


To Find x and y , we first need the scale factor between the two triangles. Using the pair of known corresponding sides, we get

$$\text{Scale Factor: } \frac{12}{36} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Similar Polygon examples

Two similar polygons are shown. Find the values of x , y , and z .



Using this scale factor, we can make proportions to solve for x and y .

For x :

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{5}{x}$$

$$x = 15$$

For y :

$$\frac{1}{3} = \frac{y}{39}$$

$$3y = 39$$

$$y = 13$$

To Find z , first match the corresponding angles.

For z :

$$z + 60 + 90 = 180$$

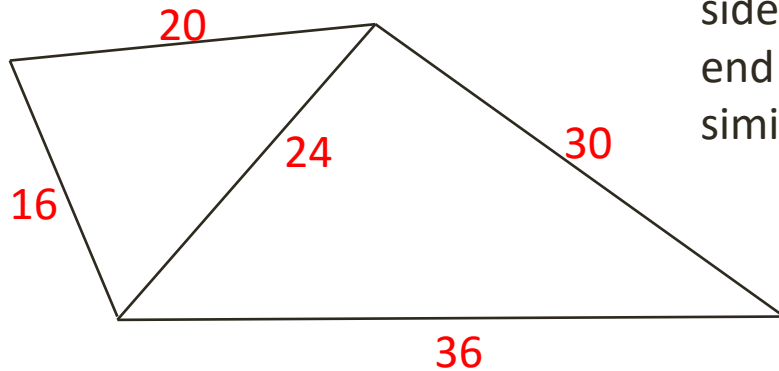
$$z + 150 = 180$$

$$z = 30$$

Practice using the Postulates and Theorems – 2

Questions

- Can the two triangles given be proven similar? If so, state the similarity and tell which similarity postulate or theorem you would use. Be sure you can explain when it does work, as well as when it doesn't.



Use proportions with the sets of corresponding sides. The goal is to simplify them so that they end up equal. If they do, then the triangles are similar.

$$\frac{16}{24} = \frac{20}{30} = \frac{24}{36}$$

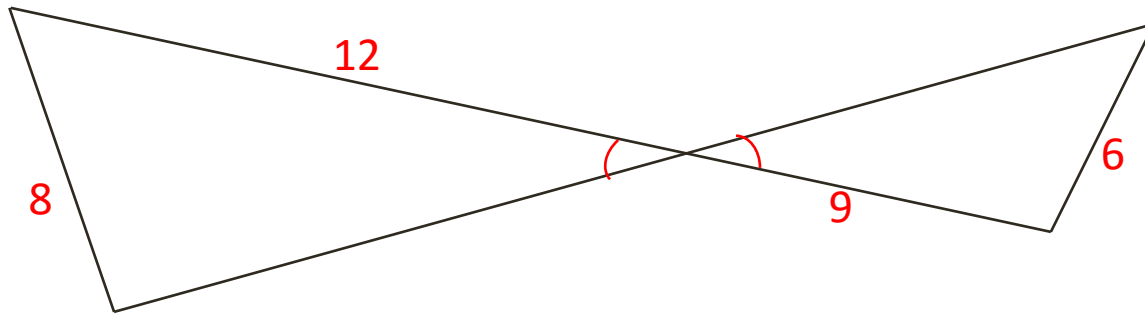
$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

These triangles are congruent by the **SSS Similarity Theorem** because

The sides of the triangles are in proportion.

Practice using the Postulates and Theorems – 2 More Questions

- Can the two triangles given be proven similar? If so, state the similarity and tell which similarity postulate or theorem you would use. Be sure you can explain when it does work, as well as when it doesn't.



$$\frac{6}{8} = \frac{9}{12}$$

$$\frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$$

But be sure they work for SSS, SAS, or AA. The sides are proportional, but they do not fall between the congruent angles

The triangles are NOT similar because

The proportional sides are not between the congruent angles.

Proportional Lengths – 2 Questions

Make a proportion and solve for the value of x

Solution:

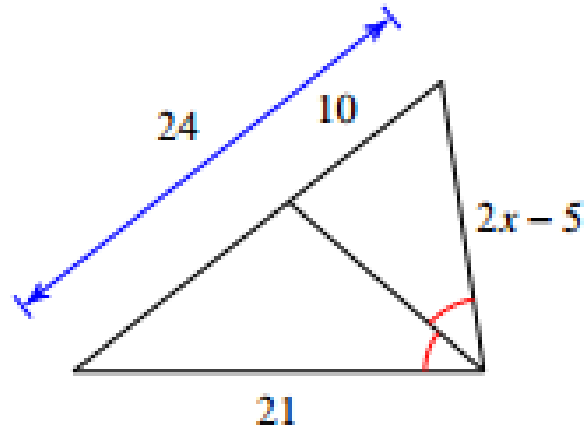
$$\frac{2x - 5}{21} = \frac{10}{14}$$

$$\frac{2x - 5}{21} = \frac{5}{7}$$

$$14x - 35 = 105$$

$$14x = 140$$

$$x = 10$$



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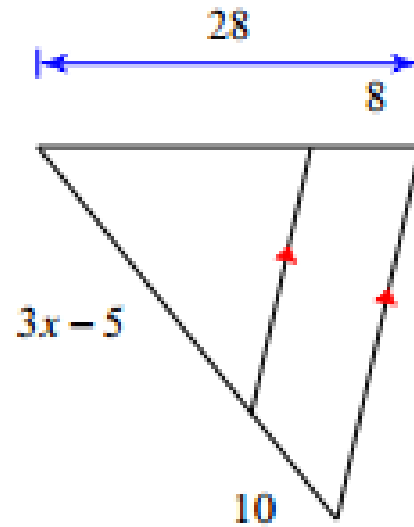
$$\frac{3x - 5}{10} = \frac{20}{8}$$

$$\frac{3x - 5}{10} = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$6x - 10 = 50$$

$$6x = 60$$

$$x = 10$$



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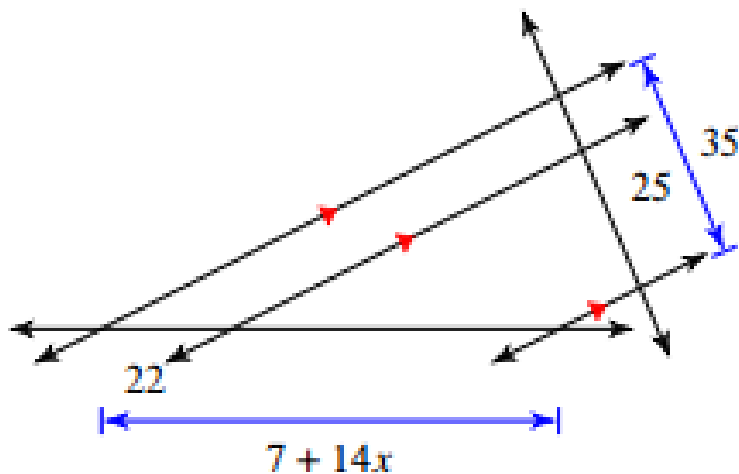
$$\frac{7 + 14x}{22} = \frac{35}{10}$$

$$\frac{7 + 14x}{22} = \frac{7}{2}$$

$$14 + 28x = 154$$

$$28x = 140$$

$$x = 5$$



Real World Example – 2 Questions

- You will be given problems where you must enlarge an object using ratios. You will have to select the right size from a list of options given to you.
- The key to choosing the right answer is by using proportions!
- Make sure you can explain your choice as well.