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Unit 1: Corresponding Parts in a Congruence
Section 1: Congruent Figures

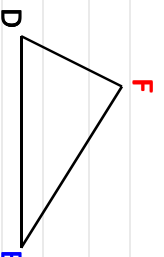
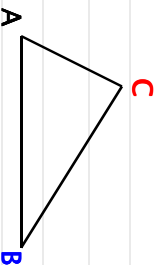
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Whenever two figures have the same size and shape, they are called **congruent**.

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Triangles ABC and DEF are congruent. You can match up vertices like

A★D

B★E

C★F

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This means that:

Corresponding Angles

Corresponding Sides

$\angle A \star$ -----

segment AB \star -----

$\angle B \star$ -----

segment BC \star -----

$\angle C \star$ -----

segment AC \star -----

Corresponding parts of a congruent triangles are congruent. (CPCTC)

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Example 1 Two triangles are congruent.



a. $\triangle ABO \cong$ -----

b. $\angle B \cong$ -----

c. $\angle A \cong$ -----

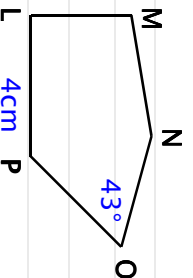
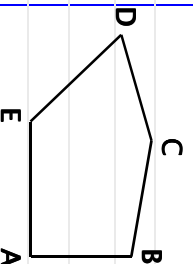
d. segment AO \cong -----

e. segment AB \cong -----

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Example 2 Two triangles are congruent.



a. B corresponds to -----

b. $m\angle D \cong$ -----

c. $\angle D \cong$ -----

d. segment AE \cong -----

e. AE = -----

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Postulate 12 (SSS Postulate)

If three sides of one triangle are congruent to three sides of another triangle, then the triangles are congruent.

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Postulate 13 (SAS Postulate)

If two sides and an included angle of one triangle are congruent to two sides and an included angle of another triangle, then the triangles are congruent.

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Postulate 14 (ASA Postulate)

If two angles and an included side of one triangle are congruent to two angles and an included side of another triangle, then the triangles are congruent.

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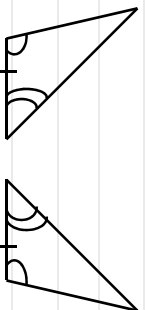
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Example 1 Which of the three postulates do you use?

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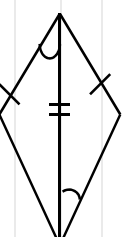
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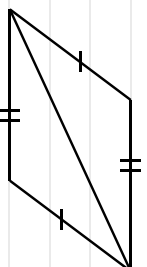
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d.

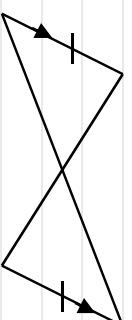


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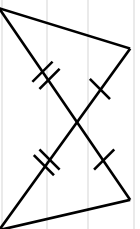


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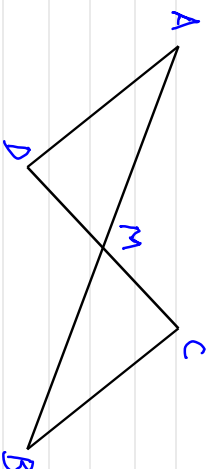
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Example 1

Given: segment AB and segment CD
bisect each other at M

Prove: segment AD \parallel segment BC



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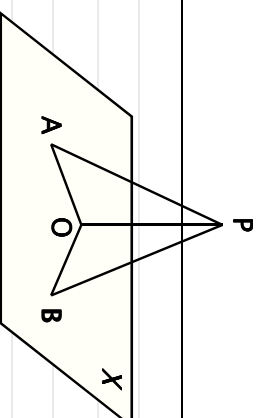
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Example 2

Given: segment PO \perp plane X;
segment PO bisects $\angle APB$

Prove: segment AD \parallel segment BC



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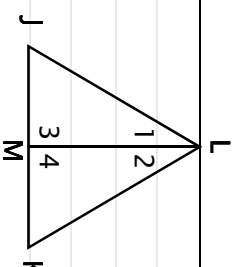
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Example 3

Given: $m\angle 1 = m\angle 2$; $m\angle 3 = m\angle 4$

Prove: M is the midpoint of segment JK



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Theorem 4-1 (The Isosceles Triangle Thm)

If two sides of a triangle are congruent, then the angles opposite those sides are congruent.

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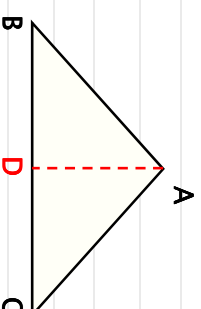
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Proof

Given: segment $AB \cong$ segment AC

Prove: $\angle B \cong \angle C$



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Theorem 4-1 (The Isosceles Triangle Thm)

If two sides of a triangle are congruent, then the angles opposite those sides are congruent.

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Corollary 1

An equilateral triangle is also equiangular.

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Corollary 2

An equilateral triangle has three 60° angles.

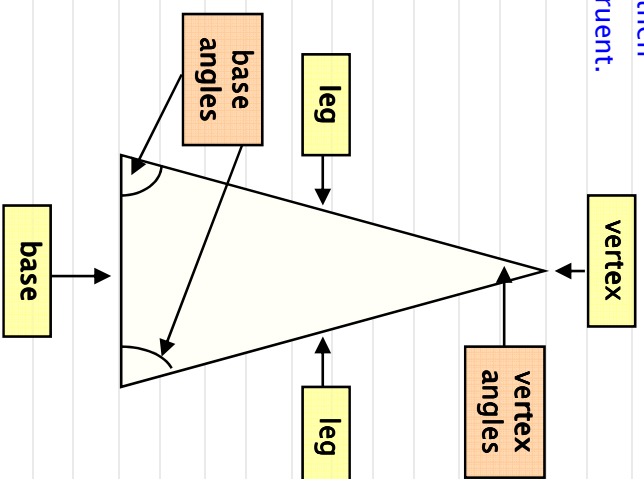
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Corollary 3

The bisector of the vertex angle of an isosceles triangle is perpendicular to the base at its midpoint.

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Theorem 4-2 (The Converse of Isosceles Triangle Thm)

If two angles of a triangle are congruent, then the sides opposite those angles are congruent.

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Corollary 4

An equiangular triangle is also equilateral.

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Corollary 4

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How would you prove this?

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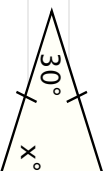
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Guided Practice

Find the value of x .

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$2x - 4$

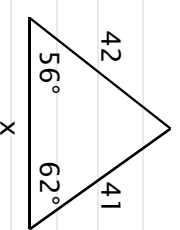
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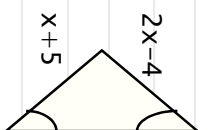
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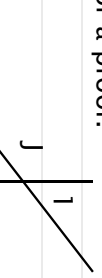
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(4) Place the statements in an appropriate order for a proof.

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Given: $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$



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Prove: segment $OK \cong$ segment OJ

(a) $\angle 3 \cong \angle 4$

(b) $\angle 2 \cong \angle 4$; $\angle 3 \cong \angle 1$

(c) segment $OK \cong$ segment OJ

(d) $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$

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Guided Practice

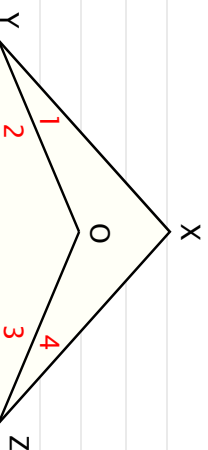
(5) Do the proof of the following

Given: segment $XZ \cong$ segment XY ;

ray YO bisects $\angle XYZ$;

ray ZO bisects $\angle XZY$

Prove: segment $YO \cong$ segment ZO



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Theorem 4-3 (AAS Thm)

If two sides and a non-included angle of one triangle are congruent to the corresponding parts of another triangle, then the triangles are congruent.

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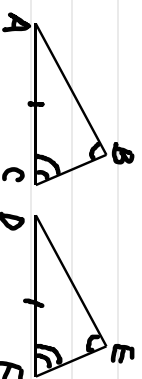
Given: $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$; $\angle B \cong \angle E$;

$\angle C \cong \angle F$; segment $AC \cong$ segment DF

Prove: $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF$

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Theorem 4-4 (HL Thm)

If the hypotenuse and a leg of one right triangle are congruent to the corresponding parts of another right triangle, then the triangles are congruent.

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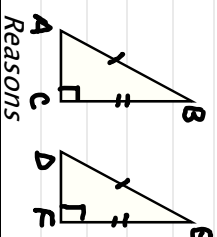
Given: $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$; $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{DE}$; $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{EF}$

$\angle C$ and $\angle F$ are right \angle s

Prove: $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF$

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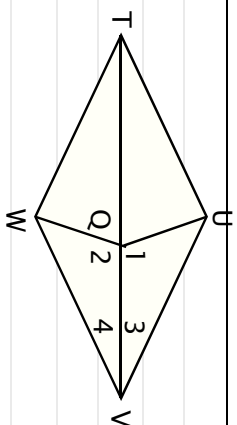
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Example

Given: $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$; $\angle 3 \cong \angle 4$

Prove: segment TU \cong segment TW



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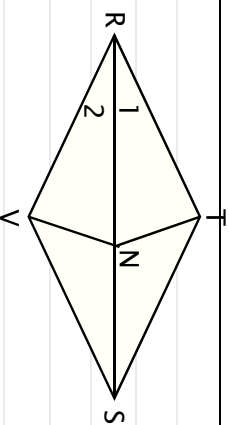
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Example

Given: segment RT \cong segment RV

segment NT \cong segment NV

Prove: segment TS \cong segment VS



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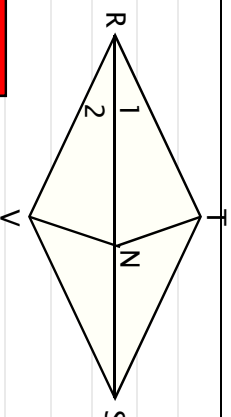
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Example

Given: segment $RT \cong$ segment RV
segment $NT \cong$ segment NV

Prove: segment $TS \cong$ segment VS



Prove by Paragraph Proof

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Given that segment $RT \cong$ segment RV , segment $NT \cong$ segment NV , and segment $RN \cong$ segment RN by reflexive property, $\triangle RNT \cong \triangle RNV$ by SSS.

4.6 We note that segment $RS \cong$ segment RS by reflexive property and $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$ by CPCTC, so $\triangle RTS \cong \triangle RVS$ by SAS.

4.7 Therefore, segment $TS \cong$ segment VS by CPCTC.

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A **median** of a triangle is a segment from a vertex of a triangle to the midpoint of the opposite side.

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An **altitude** of a triangle is a perpendicular segment from a vertex of a

triangle to the line containing the opposite side.

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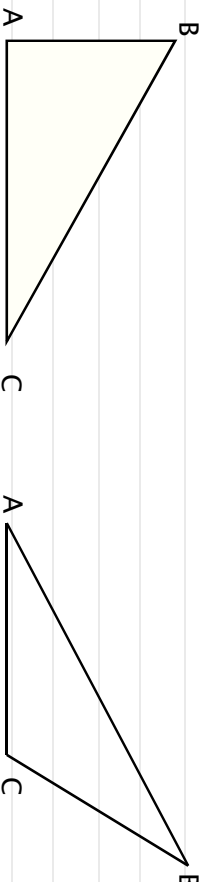
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Draw three altitude on the following right triangle and obtuse triangle.

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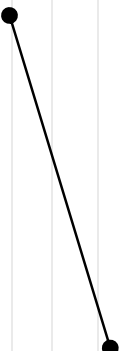
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A perpendicular bisector of a segment is a line (or ray or segment) that is perpendicular to the segment at its midpoint.

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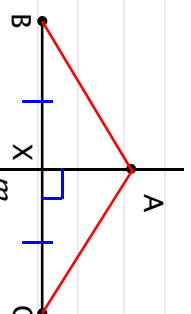
Theorem 4-5

If a point lies on the perpendicular bisector of a segment, then the point is equidistant from the endpoints of the segment.

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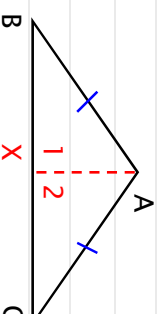
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Theorem 4-6

If a point is equidistant from the endpoints of a segment, then the point lies on the perpendicular bisector of the segment.

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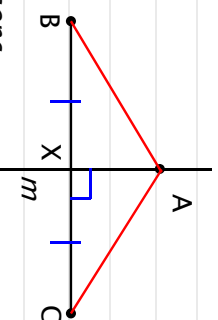
Theorem 4-5

If a point lies on the perpendicular bisector of a segment, then the point is equidistant from the endpoints of the segment.

4.1
 4.2 Given: line m is the \perp bisector of segment BC ;

A is on m

4.3 Prove: $AB \cong AC$



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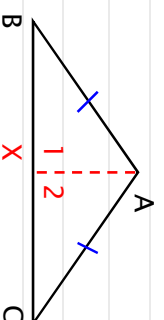
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Theorem 4-6

If a point is equidistant from the endpoints of a segment, then the point lies on the perpendicular bisector of the segment.

4.1
 4.2 Given: $AB = AC$

4.3 Prove: A is on the \perp bisector of segment BC



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The **distance from a point to a line** (or plane) is defined to be the length of the perpendicular segment from the point to the line (or plane).

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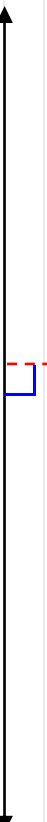
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The length of segment RS, denoted RS, is the distance between the point P and the line t .

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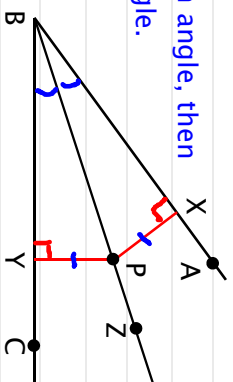
Theorem 4-7

If a point lies on the perpendicular bisector of an angle, then the point is equidistant from the sides of the angle.

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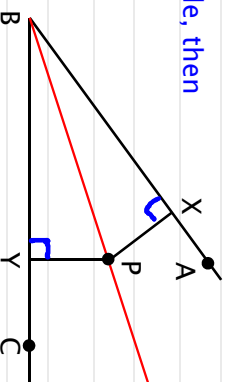
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Theorem 4-8

If a point is equidistant from the sides of an angle, then the point lies on the bisector of the angle.

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Theorem 4-7

If a point lies on the perpendicular bisector of an angle, then the point is equidistant from the sides of the angle.

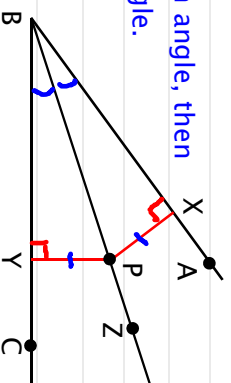
4.1
4.2 Given: ray BZ bisects $\angle ABC$; P lies on ray BZ;

4.3 segment PX \perp ray BA;
segment PY \perp ray BC

4.4 Prove: PX=PY

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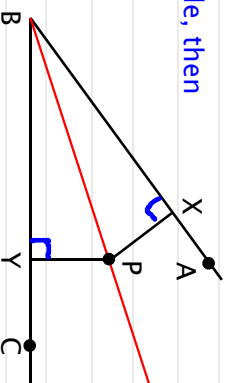
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Theorem 4-8

If a point is equidistant from the sides of an angle, then the point lies on the bisector of the angle.

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4.2 Given: segment PX \perp ray BA;
segment PY \perp ray BC; PX=PY

4.3 Prove: ray BP bisects $\angle ABC$



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Chalkboard Examples

Fill in the blank with always, sometimes, or never.

- 4.1 An altitude is _____ perpendicular to the opposite side.
4.2 A median is _____ perpendicular to the opposite side.
4.3 An altitude is _____ an angle bisector.
4.4 An angle bisector is _____ perpendicular to the opposite side.
4.4 A perpendicular bisector of a segment is _____ equidistant from the endpoints of the segment.
4.5

4.6 6. Suppose ray OG bisects angle TOY. What can you deduce if you also know that:

4.7 a. Point J lies on ray OG?

- b. A point K is such that the distance from K to ray OT is 13 cm and the distance from K to ray OY is 13 cm?

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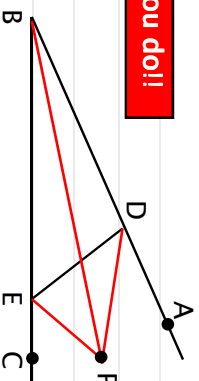
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Examples

Given: ray DP bisects $\angle ADE$;
ray EP bisects $\angle DEC$;
Prove: ray BP bisects $\angle ABC$



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