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Using Corresponding Parts of Congruent Triangles



Vocabulary

Review

Underline the correct word(s) to complete each sentence.

- The *Reflexive* Property of Congruence states that any geometric figure is congruent / similar to itself.
- The *Reflexive* Property of Equality states that any quantity is equal to / greater than / less than itself.
- Circle the expressions that illustrate the *Reflexive* Property of Equality.

$$a = a$$

$$\text{If } AB = 2, \text{ then } 2 = AB.$$

$$3(x + y) = 3x + 3y$$

$$5 + c = 5 + c$$

- Circle the expressions that illustrate the *Reflexive* Property of Congruence.

$$\text{If } \angle A \cong \angle B, \text{ then } \angle B \cong \angle A.$$

$$\text{If } \overline{CD} \cong \overline{LM} \text{ and } \overline{LM} \cong \overline{XY}, \text{ then } \overline{CD} \cong \overline{XY}.$$

$$\angle ABC \cong \angle ABC$$

$$\overline{CD} \cong \overline{CD}$$

Vocabulary Builder

proof (noun) proof

Related Word: prove (verb)

Definition: A **proof** is convincing evidence that a statement or theory is true.

Math Usage: A **proof** is a convincing argument that uses deductive reasoning.

Use Your Vocabulary

Complete each statement with *proof* or *prove*.

5. In geometry, a ? uses definitions, postulates, and theorems to prove theorems.

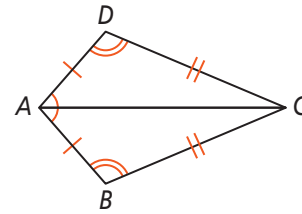
6. No one can ? how our universe started.

7. He can ? when he bought the computer because he has a receipt.

8. Complete the steps in the *proof*.

Given: $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AD}$, $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{DC}$,
 $\angle D \cong \angle B$, $\angle DAC \cong \angle BAC$

Prove: $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle ADC$



Statements

- 1) $\overline{AB} \cong$ $\overline{BC} \cong$
- 2) $\overline{AC} \cong$
- 3) $\angle D \cong$ $\angle DAC \cong$
- 4) $\angle DCA \cong$
- 5) $\triangle ABC \cong$

Reasons

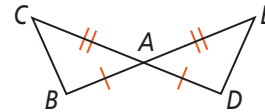
- 1) Given
- 2) Reflexive Property of \cong
- 3) Given
- 4) Third Angles Theorem
- 5) Definition of \cong triangles



Problem 1 Proving Parts of Triangles Congruent

Got It? Given: $\overline{BA} \cong \overline{DA}$, $\overline{CA} \cong \overline{EA}$

Prove: $\angle C \cong \angle E$



9. Name four ways you can use congruent parts of two triangles to prove that the triangles are congruent.

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10. To prove triangles are congruent when you know two pairs of congruent corresponding sides, you can use or .

Underline the correct word to complete the sentence.

11. The *Given* states and the diagram shows that there are pairs of congruent sides.

12. Give a reason for each statement of the proof.

Statements

- 1) $\overline{BA} \cong \overline{DA}$
- 2) $\overline{CA} \cong \overline{EA}$
- 3) $\angle CAB \cong \angle EAD$
- 4) $\triangle CAB \cong \triangle EAD$
- 5) $\angle C \cong \angle E$

Reasons

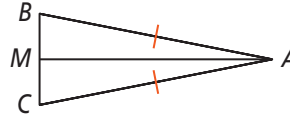
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- 2)
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- 5)



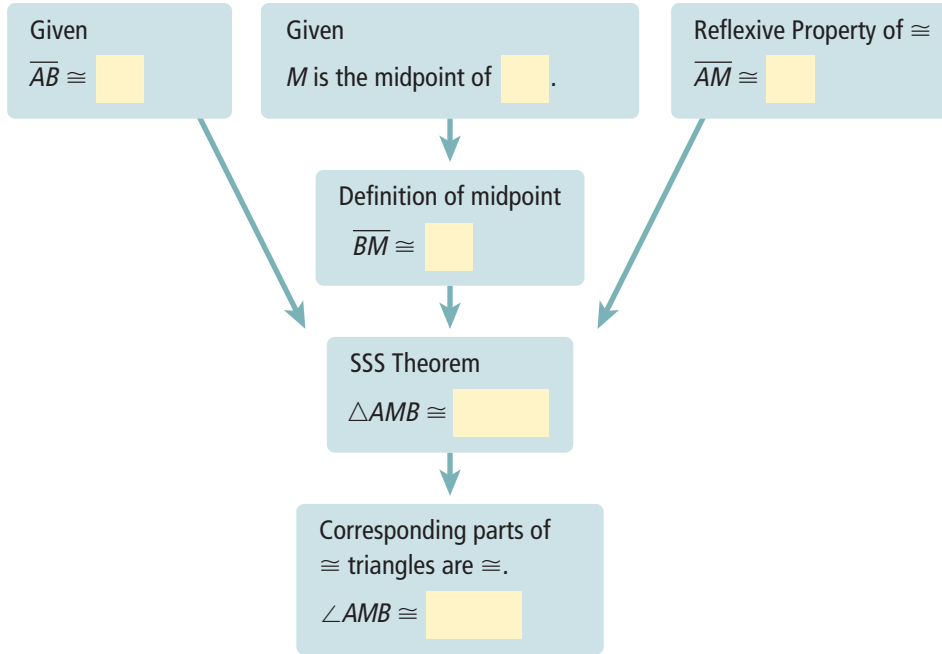
Problem 2 Proving Triangle Parts Congruent to Measure Distance

Got It? Given: $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$, M is the midpoint of \overline{BC}

Prove: $\angle AMB \cong \angle AMC$

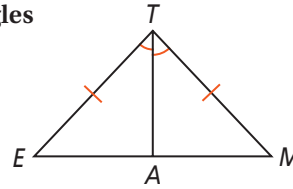


13. Use the flow chart to complete the proof.



Lesson Check • Do you know HOW?

Name the postulate or theorem that you can use to show the triangles are congruent. Then explain why $\overline{EA} \cong \overline{MA}$.



14. Circle the angles that are marked congruent.

- $\angle E$ $\angle ETA$ $\angle M$ $\angle EAT$ $\angle MTA$

15. Circle the sides that are marked congruent.

- \overline{ET} \overline{MT} \overline{EA} \overline{MA} \overline{AT}

16. Circle the sides that are congruent by the Reflexive Property of Congruence.

- \overline{ET} and \overline{MT} \overline{EA} and \overline{MA} \overline{AT} and \overline{AT}

17. Underline the correct postulate or theorem to complete the sentence.

$\triangle EAT \cong \triangle MAT$ by SAS / AAS / ASA / SSS.

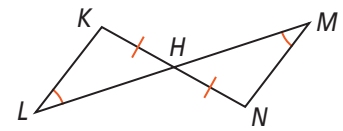
18. Now explain why $\overline{EA} \cong \overline{MA}$.



Lesson Check • Do you UNDERSTAND?

Error Analysis Find and correct the error(s) in the proof.

Given: $\overline{KH} \cong \overline{NH}$, $\angle L \cong \angle M$ **Prove:** H is the midpoint of \overline{LM} .



Proof: $\overline{KH} \cong \overline{NH}$ because it is given. $\angle L \cong \angle M$ because it is given.
 $\angle KHL \cong \angle NHM$ because vertical angles are congruent. So, $\triangle KHL \cong \triangle MHN$
by ASA Postulate. Since corresponding parts of congruent triangles are congruent,
 $\overline{LH} \cong \overline{MH}$. By the definition of midpoint, H is the midpoint of \overline{LM} .

Place a \checkmark in the box if the statement is correct. Place an \times if it is incorrect.

19. $\angle KHL \cong \angle NHM$ because vertical angles are congruent.

20. $\triangle KHL \cong \triangle MHN$ by ASA Postulate.

Underline the correct word to complete each sentence.

21. When you name congruent triangles, you must name corresponding vertices in
a different / the same order.

22. To use the ASA Postulate, you need two pairs of congruent angles and a pair of
included / nonincluded congruent sides.

23. To use the AAS Theorem, you need two pairs of congruent angles and a pair of
included / nonincluded congruent sides.

24. Identify the error(s) in the proof.

25. Correct the error(s) in the proof.



Math Success

Check off the vocabulary words that you understand.

congruent

corresponding

proof

Rate how well you can use congruent triangles.

