

# Angles

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**Line:** all the points in a never-ending straight path. (when naming a line, use 2 points, with a line and arrows on BOTH ends above the line.) Ex:  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$

**Segment:** two points and all the points in a straight path between them. (when naming a segment, use 2 endpoints with a segment above the line.) Ex:  $\overline{AB}$

**Ray:** an endpoint and all the points in a straight path in one direction. (when naming a ray, start with the endpoint and pick a point in the direction that the ray is going, and put a ray, pointing to the right, above the points) Ex:  $\overrightarrow{AB}$

**Angle:** two rays/ sides that share a common endpoint. (measure in units called degrees.)

**Vertex:** the common endpoint of an angle. The point where two sides meet. (*also, a corner point of a geometric figure*)

**Acute Angle:** an angle that measures less than  $90^\circ$

**Right Angle:** an angle that measures exactly  $90^\circ$

**Obtuse Angle:** an angle that measures more than  $90^\circ$ , **AND** less than  $180^\circ$

**Straight Angle:** an angle that measures exactly  $180^\circ$

**Adjacent Angles:** two angles that share a common vertex, and one side, but have no common interior points. (two angles that are next to each other)

**Vertical Angles:** when 2 lines intersect, they form 4 angles (2 pairs of vertical angles). The angles across from each other are called, 'vertical angles.' Vertical angles share a common vertex, but no sides. However, they are congruent to one another.

**Complementary Angles:** the **sum** of two or more angle measures equals exactly  $90^\circ$

**Complement of an Angle:** the second angle that makes two angles **add** to  $90^\circ$

**Supplementary Angles:** the **sum** of two or more angle measures equals exactly  $180^\circ$

**Supplement of an Angle:** the second angle that makes two angles **add** to  $180^\circ$

# Triangles

**Congruent:** having the same size, angle measure, or shape.

Congruent sides or segments have the same length

Congruent angles have the exact same angle measure

**Polygon:** a closed plane figure formed by three or more segments that do not cross.

**Parallel Lines:** two or more lines in a plane that do not and will not intersect.

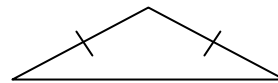
**Perpendicular Lines:** two lines or sides that meet/intersect to form a right angle.

**Triangle:** a three sided polygon. (the sum of the 3 angle measures equals  $180^\circ$ )

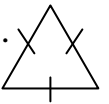
**Scalene Triangle:** has no congruent sides.



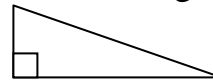
**Isosceles Triangle:** has 2 congruent sides.



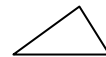
**Equilateral Triangle:** has 3 congruent sides. Also has 3 congruent angle measures.



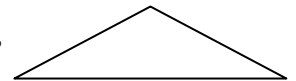
**Right Triangle:** a triangle with one right angle



**Acute Triangle:** a triangle formed with 3 acute angles



**Obtuse Triangle:** a triangle formed with 1 obtuse angle and 2 acute angles



**\*\*ALL triangles have 3 angles that add to exactly  $180^\circ$ \*\***

**\*\*ALL triangles can be classified by two names. One by its sides, and one by its angles.\*\***

Examples:

Acute Equilateral

Obtuse Isosceles

Right Isosceles

Acute Isosceles

Obtuse Scalene

Right Scalene

Acute Scalene

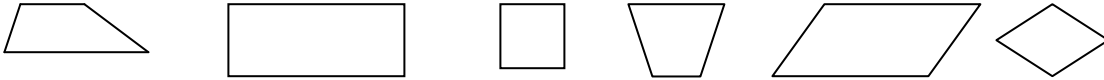
## Polygons and Quadrilaterals

**Polygon:** a closed plane figure formed by three or more segments that do not cross.

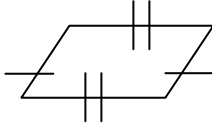
**Congruent Polygons:** polygons with the same size and shape

**Corresponding parts:** parts of two polygons that are matching and congruent.

**Quadrilateral:** a four sided polygon with four angles.



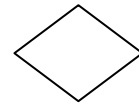
**Parallelogram:** a quadrilateral with both pairs of opposite sides parallel and congruent.



**Trapezoid:** a quadrilateral with exactly one pair of parallel sides.



**Rhombus:** A parallelogram with 4 congruent sides.



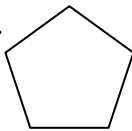
**Square:** a parallelogram with 4 right angles and 4 congruent sides.



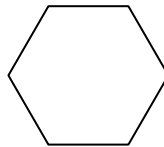
**Rectangle:** a parallelogram with 4 right angles.



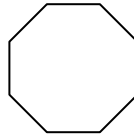
**Pentagon:** a five sided polygon.



**Hexagon:** a six sided polygon.



**Octagon:** an eight sided polygon.



**Decagon:** a ten sided polygon.

**Regular Polygon:** a polygon with all sides congruent and all angles congruent.

Examples: square  
equilateral triangle  
etc...

## Circles

**Circle:** a set of points in a plane that are all the same distance from a given point (center)

**Radius:** a segment from the center of a circle to a point on the circle.

**Diameter:** a segment that passes through the center of a circle and has both endpoints on the circle

**Chord:** a segment with both endpoints on the circle, but does not have to pass through the center.

**Central Angle:** an angle with its vertex at the center of a circle.

**Arc:** part of a circle (use 2 letters to name an arc)

**Semi-circle:** half of a circle (use 3 letters to name, the middle letter shows the direction of the semi-circle)

**Compass:** a geometric tool used to draw circles and arcs.

**Inscribed polygon:** a polygon whose sides are chords of a circle

## Miscellaneous Vocabulary

**Heptagon:** a 7 sided polygon

**Nonagon:** a 9 sided polygon

**Tessellation:** a repetitive pattern formed by polygons that fit together without overlap or holes.

**Similar Figures:** figures that have the same shape **but not** the same size

**Corresponding Sides:** sides of similar figures that “match”

**Corresponding Angles:** angles of similar figures that “match”

**“Match”:** sides or angles that would be in the same position if the shapes were congruent.

**Midpoint:** the middle point on a line that splits the line segment into two equal parts.

**Bisector:** a line/ segment that splits an angle into two smaller, yet equal angles.