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Geometry Journal: Similarity

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| 1. Definition of Similar Polygons: <br> A] corr $\angle$ 's $\cong$ <br> B] Corr. sides proportional | Given: pentagon $A B C D E$ ~ pentagon FGHIJ <br> Find $m \angle F, m \angle J, m \angle B, x$ and $y$. | $\begin{aligned} & m \angle F\left.=60^{\circ} \text { (corr. to } \angle A\right) \\ & m \angle J\left.=140^{\circ} \text { (corr. } \angle \mathrm{E}\right) \\ & \mathrm{m} \angle B=540-(140+60+100+80) \\ &=160^{\circ} \\ & x=\frac{14}{50}=\frac{x}{70} \quad 980=50 \times 19.6=x \\ & y=\frac{14}{50}=\frac{60}{y} \quad 3000=50 y \underline{214.3}=y \end{aligned}$ |
| 2. Scale Factor: <br> ratio of corr. sides of similar polygons [must be simplified] | Given: pentagon ABCDE ~ pentagon FGHIJ | $\frac{14}{50}=\frac{7}{25}$ <br> Scale factor |
| 3. For ~ Polygons: <br> ratio of perimeters = scale factor <br> [If one figure is 3 times larger than the other, the perimeters are also 3:1] | Given : above ~ pentagons <br> If pentagon $A B C D E$ has perimeter $=280 \mathrm{~cm}$, what is the perimeter of pentagon FGHIJ? | $\frac{\text { perimeter of small }}{\text { perimeter of } l \arg e}=\frac{7}{25}$ $\frac{280}{x}=\frac{7}{25} \quad x=1000 \mathrm{~cm}$ |
| 4. For ~ Polygons: <br> ratio of areas <br> $=(\text { scale factor })^{2}$ <br> (If the length of a rectangle is increased by a factor of 3 the area is increased by a factor of 9) | Given : 2 similar rectangles <br> The area of the smaller is 120 $\mathrm{cm}^{2}$, their widths have a ratio of $1: 5$, what is the area of the larger rectangle. | $\begin{gathered} \text { scale factor }=\frac{1}{5} \\ \frac{\text { area small }}{\text { area } \operatorname{large} e}=\left(\frac{1}{5}\right)^{2} \\ \frac{120}{x}=\frac{1}{25} \end{gathered}$ <br> area of large rectangle $=3000 \mathrm{~cm}^{2}$ |

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| 5. For ~ Polygons: <br> ratio of volumes <br> $=(\text { scale factor })^{3}$ <br> (If the radius of a cone is increased by a factor of 3, the volume is increased by a factor of $27\left(3^{3}\right)$ ) | Given: 2 similar pyramids <br> Their heights have a ratio of $3: 2$. The volume of the smaller pyramid is $450 \mathrm{~cm}^{3}$. Find the volume of the larger pyramid | Scale factor : $\frac{3}{2}$ so volume ratio : $\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{3}=\frac{27}{8}$ $\begin{aligned} & \frac{27}{8}=\frac{x}{450} \quad 12150=8 x \\ & x=1518.75 \mathrm{~cm}^{3} \end{aligned}$ |
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| 6. To prove $2 \Delta$ 's ~: <br> AA~ (angle, angle, similarity) <br> Find 2 pairs of $\cong \angle s$ | Given: $B D / / A E$ <br> Prove: $\triangle C B D \sim \triangle C A E$ | A $\angle C \cong \angle C \quad$ reflexive <br> A $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2 \quad / /$ lines corr $\angle s \cong$ <br> $\triangle C B D \sim \triangle C A E \quad A A \sim$ |
| 7. To prove $2 \Delta$ 's ~: <br> SSS~ <br> (side, side, side similarity) <br> Find 3 pairs corresponding sides proportional-3 ratios must be the same. | Are the $\Delta s \sim$ ? | Check ratios: $\begin{aligned} & \frac{6}{20}=\frac{9}{30}=\frac{12.6}{42} \\ & 0.3=0.3=0.3 \end{aligned}$ <br> $\triangle A B C \sim \triangle E F D$ by $S S S \sim$ |
| 8. To prove $2 \Delta$ 's ~: <br> SAS~ <br> (side, angle, side similarity) <br> Find 2 pairs of proportional corr. sides with one pair of $\cong$ included angles. <br> ( 2 ratios and $\cong \angle$ between) | Are $\triangle A B C$ and $\triangle D E F \sim ?$ | For SAS: check ratios of sides $\begin{array}{cc} S & S \\ \frac{9}{12}=\frac{15}{20} & \angle E \cong \angle C \\ .75=.75 & \begin{array}{c} \text { given } \\ \text { not inc. side } \end{array} \end{array}$ <br> SO $\Delta s$ are not ~. |

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9. Triangle Proportionality

If a segment is drawn // to the third side, then it cuts proportional segments.

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4 x=72
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x=18
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10. The mid-segment of a $\Delta$, endpoints are midpoints of 2 sides of a $\Delta$, it is:

1] // to the third side

2] $1 / 2$ length of the third side


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\begin{aligned}
& \frac{A B}{B C}=\frac{D E}{D C} \\
& \frac{4}{7}=\frac{9}{x}
\end{aligned}
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$\overline{A B} / / \overline{C D}$
$\overline{A B}=7 \mathrm{~cm}$
$\overline{A B}$ is the mid-segment of $\triangle C E D$

