

List three short cuts you can use to show that two triangles are similar and use *full sentences* to explain what they mean.

1.  $SSS \sim$  (**Side-Side-Side**) -- If you show that all three pairs of corresponding sides share a common ratio, then the triangles are similar *and* the corresponding angles are *congruent*.

2.  $SAS \sim$  (**Side-Angle-Side**) -- If you show that two pairs of corresponding sides share a common ratio *and* the angles between them are congruent, then the triangles are similar *and* the *other two pairs* of corresponding angles are congruent *and* the remaining pair of sides share the same common ratio.

3.  $AA \sim$  (**Angle-Angle**) -- If you show that two pairs of corresponding angles are congruent, the triangles are similar, which means the remaining pair of corresponding angles is congruent *and* all three pairs of corresponding sides share a common ratio.

$\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle XYZ$  are similar. List everything you know about the angles and sides of these two triangles. Be specific and clear.

$$\frac{AB}{XY} = \frac{BC}{YZ} = \frac{AC}{XZ};$$

$$\angle ABC \cong \angle XYZ;$$

$$\angle BCA \cong \angle YZX;$$

$$\angle BAC \cong \angle YXZ$$

List five short cuts you can use to show that two triangles are congruent and use *full sentences* to explain what they mean.

1.  $SSS \cong$  (**Side-Side-Side**) -- You can show that all three pairs of corresponding sides are congruent.

2.  $SAS \cong$  (**Side-Angle-Side**) -- You can show that two pairs of corresponding *and* the angles between them are congruent.

3.  $AAS \cong$  (**Angle-Angle-Side**) -- You can show that two pairs of corresponding angles are congruent *and* a pair of corresponding sides not between those angles is congruent.

4.  $ASA \cong$  (**Angle-Side-Angle**) -- You can show that two pairs of corresponding angles are congruent *and* the pair of corresponding sides between those angles is congruent.

5.  $HL \cong$  (**Hypotenuse-Leg**) -- You can show that the pair of hypotenuses and one pair of legs on a pair of right triangles are congruent.

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State two ways you can *know* that two lines are parallel:

1. If alternate interior angles formed by a transversal crossing two lines are congruent, then the lines are parallel.
2. If same-side interior angles formed by a transversal crossing two lines are supplementary, then the lines are parallel.

State two things you *know* about the angles formed by a transversal that crosses two lines that are parallel:

1. A transversal that crosses two parallel lines will create same-side interior angles that are supplementary.
2. A transversal that crosses two parallel lines will create alternate interior angles that are congruent.

What is the triangle inequality theorem?

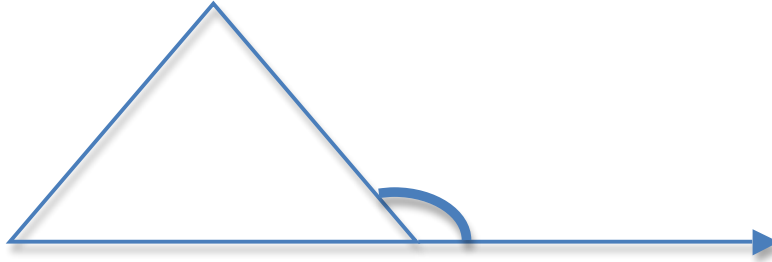
The sum of the lengths of any two sides of a triangle is always greater than the length of the remaining side.

What is the triangle angle sum theorem?

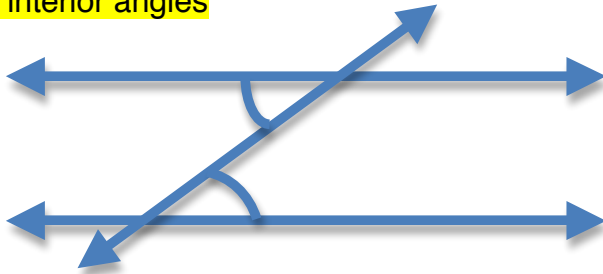
The sum of the measures of the angles of a triangle is always 180 degrees.

Draw a diagram showing an example of each of the following angle relationships:

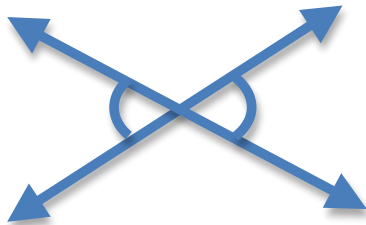
exterior angle (of a triangle)



alternate interior angles



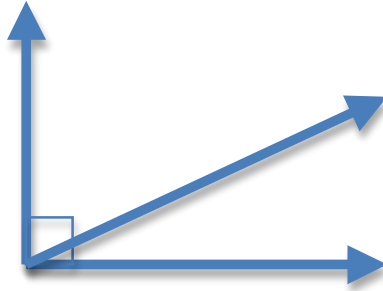
vertical angles



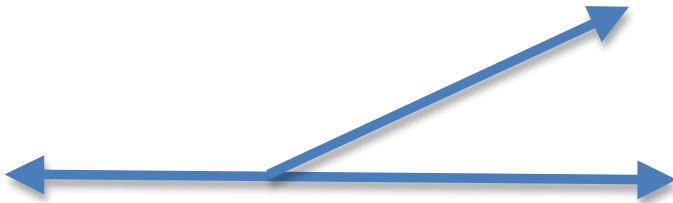
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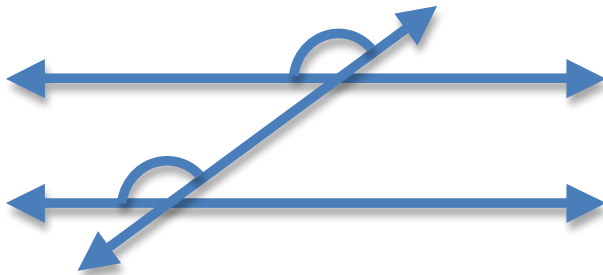
complementary angles



linear pair



corresponding angles



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**Use a full sentence to write a definition for each of the following terms:**

*Complementary Angles* are two angles whose measures add up to 90 degrees.

*Supplementary Angles* are two angles whose measures add up to 180 degrees.

A *Diagonal* is a line segment that connects two vertices of a polygon but is not a side.

A *Vertex* is the place where two or more line segments or rays meet to form a corner, such as in a polygon or an angle. (*Vertices* is the plural of *vertex*.)

A *Linear Pair* is a pair of adjacent angles that form a straight line.

*Vertical Angles* are the opposite (*i.e.*, the non-adjacent) angles that are formed by two intersecting lines.