

**Objective # 8      Congruent Triangles**

**Material:**      page 212 to 220

**Homework # 1:**      Crossword Puzzle on Vocabulary for Triangle Proofs

**Homework # 2:**      worksheet # 2

NOTE:      This objective is ongoing and material will be added as the semester moves along!

**Congruent Triangles  
Worksheet # 2**

1.      What are congruent triangles?
2.      Visit the site:      <http://ia.usu.edu/viewproject.php?project=ia:3006>

NOTE:      you may have to download a java plugin for your Internet browser for this to work

Go to the activity on congruent triangles. In this activity you are will be able to construct two triangles from various combinations of sides and angles. You can choose to work with any one of four different cases SSS, SAS, ASA, SSA. Note: Which of these can not be used to prove two triangles congruent.

3.      Describe the three ways used in the above activity to prove two triangles congruent.
4.      There is a special case for proving two right angle triangles congruent. Describe this case.
5.      Draw four sets of congruent triangles that demonstrate the four ways to prove the two triangles congruent.

This worksheet must be completed and passed in by next double math class.

# Congruent Triangles Worksheet # 3

1. What does **CPCTC** stand for when working with congruent triangles?
2. What symbol is used when naming the congruent triangles or naming the parts that are congruent?
3. In each of the following diagrams:
  - a) identify the method that would prove the two triangles congruent. (i.e. **SAS**, **SSS**, **ASA** or **HI**)
  - b) Name the triangles that are congruent. (NOTE: The order in which you write the letters for the triangles must be in the order of the congruent parts)
  - c) Name the corresponding parts that are congruent.

Fig 1:

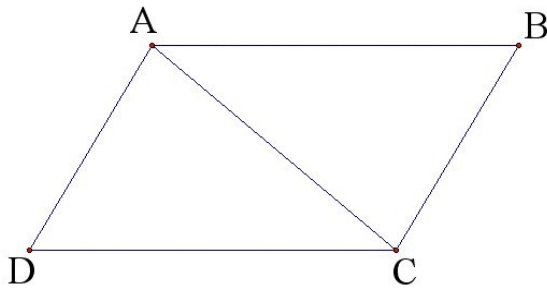


Fig 2:

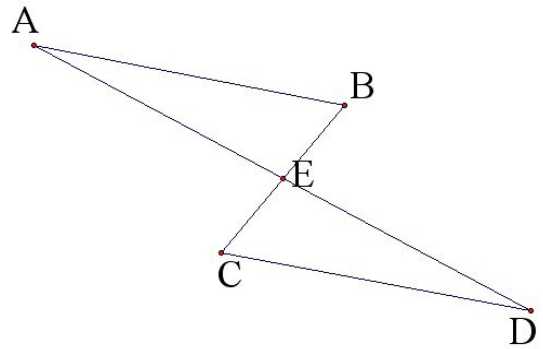


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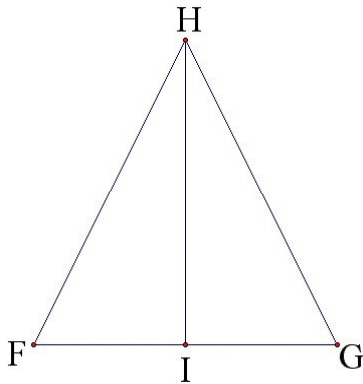
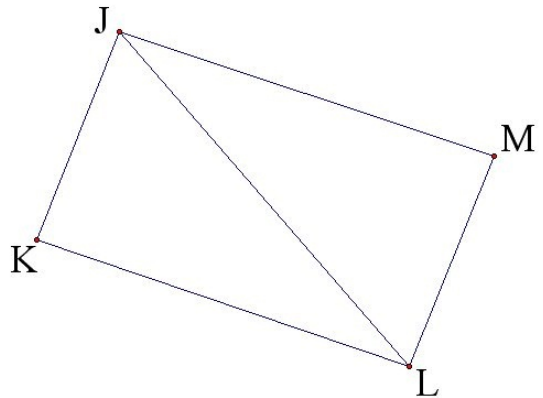


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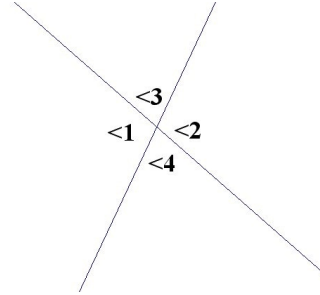
# Congruent Triangles Worksheet # 4

**Properties used to help prove triangles congruent:**

**Vertical angles are congruent:**

*Two angles opposite each other in two intersecting lines .. not necessarily vertical!*

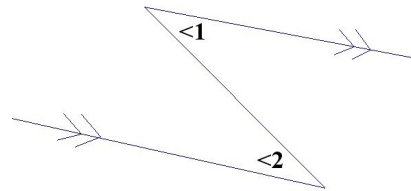
In the diagram:  $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$   
 $\angle 3 \cong \angle 4$



**Z-pattern angles are congruent:**

*Two angles formed when parallel lines are cut by a transversal to form a z-pattern.*

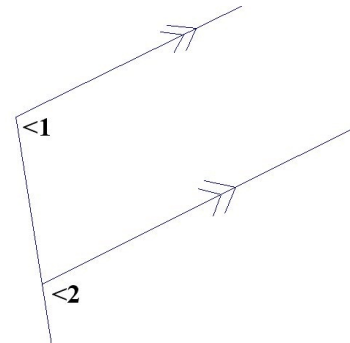
In the diagram:  $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$



**F-pattern angles are congruent:**

*Two angles formed when parallel lines are cut by a transversal to form an f-pattern.*

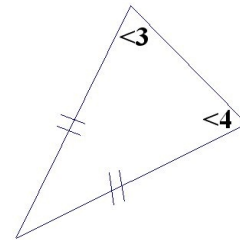
In then diagram:  $\angle 1 \cong \angle 2$



**Base angles in an isosceles triangle are congruent:**

*Two angles opposite the equal sides in an isosceles triangle*

In the diagram:  $\angle 3 \cong \angle 4$



**A-B-C-D-X-Y** means that these points are collinear (all lie on the same line)

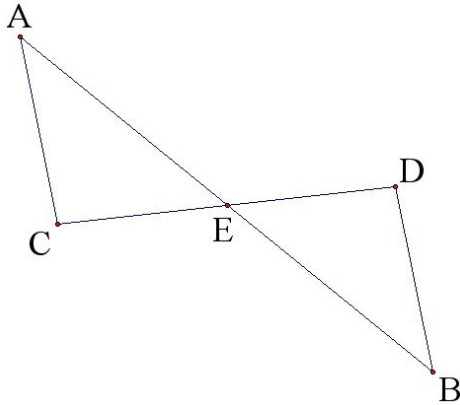
**Supplementary angles:** two angles whose measures add up to  $180^\circ$ .



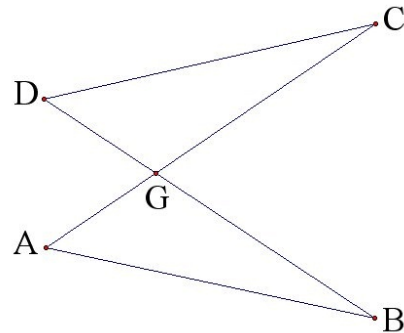


**Exercise:** Write Proofs for each of the following and assume all lines that look straight are straight!

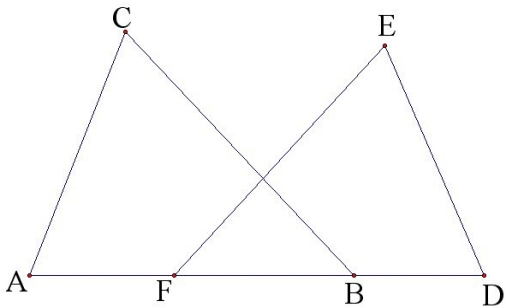
1. Given:  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{CD}$  bisect each other at E  
 Prove:  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DB}$



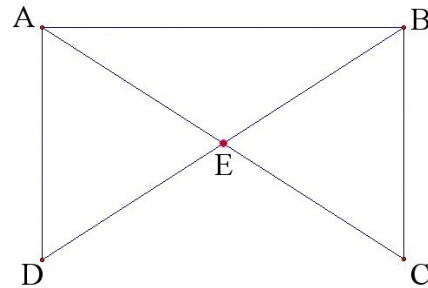
2. Given:  $\overline{GC} \cong \overline{GB}$ ;  $\angle C \cong \angle B$   
 Prove:  $\overline{AG} \cong \overline{DG}$



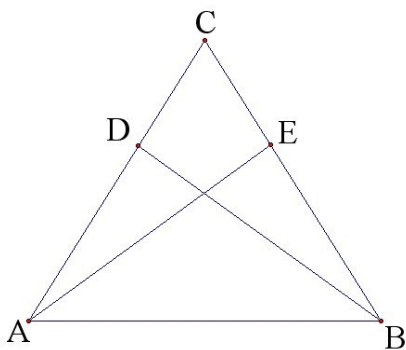
3. Given:  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DE}$ ;  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{DF}$ ;  
 $\angle CAB \cong \angle EDF$   
 Prove:  $\overline{CB} \cong \overline{EF}$



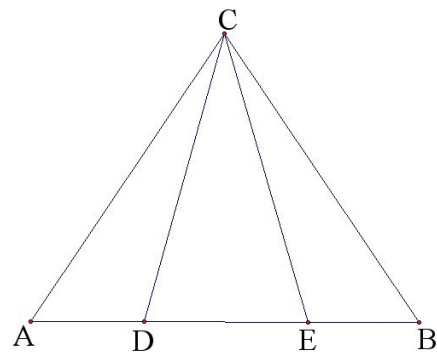
4. Given:  $\overline{DA} \perp \overline{AB}$ ;  $\overline{CB} \perp \overline{AB}$   
 $\angle DBA \cong \angle CAB$   
 Prove:  $\overline{BD} \cong \overline{AC}$



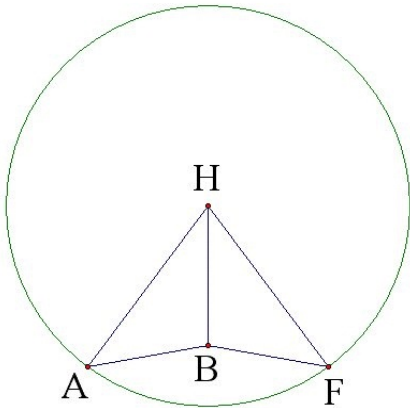
5. Given:  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BC}$ ;  $\angle CAE \cong \angle CBD$   
 Prove:  $\overline{CD} \cong \overline{CE}$



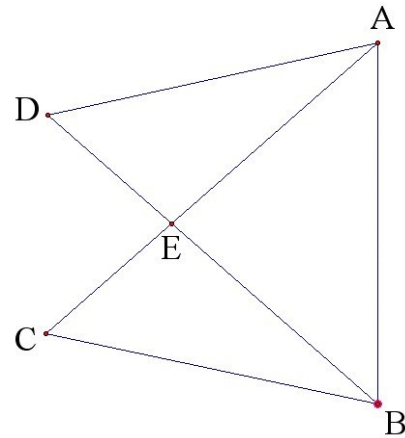
6. Given:  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BC}$ ;  $\overline{DC} \cong \overline{EC}$   
 $\overline{AD} \cong \overline{BE}$   
 Prove:  $\angle ACE \cong \angle BCD$



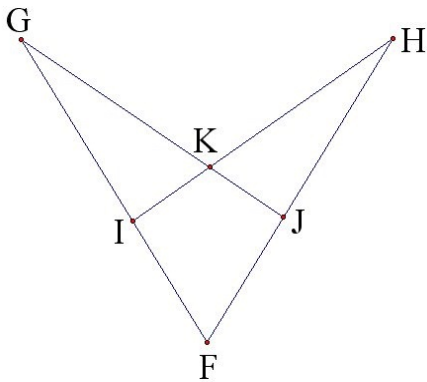
7. Given: circle with center at **H**;  
 $\angle AHB \cong \angle FHB$   
 Prove:  $\angle A \cong \angle F$



8. Given:  $\overline{DE} \cong \overline{CE}$ ;  $\overline{EA} \cong \overline{EB}$   
 Prove:  $\triangle DAB \cong \triangle CBA$



9. Given:  $\overline{GI} \cong \overline{HJ}$ ;  $\overline{FI} \cong \overline{FJ}$   
 Prove:  $\overline{GJ} \cong \overline{HI}$



10. Given: **D-B-E**;  $\overline{DE} \parallel \overline{AC}$   
 Prove: The sum of the 3 angles in  $\triangle ABC$  is  $180^\circ$

