

What is Similarity?

Learning Goals

Minds on Math

What do you notice about the triangles you've been given?

-think about any characteristics, properties, and/or relationships)

-there are some tools available if you're needing them (desk in centre of classroom)

-post all of your group's ideas on your assigned WB



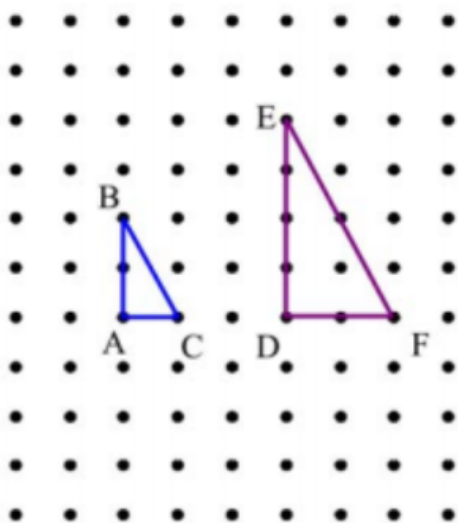
Minds on Math-Summary of Ideas

What do you notice about the triangles?

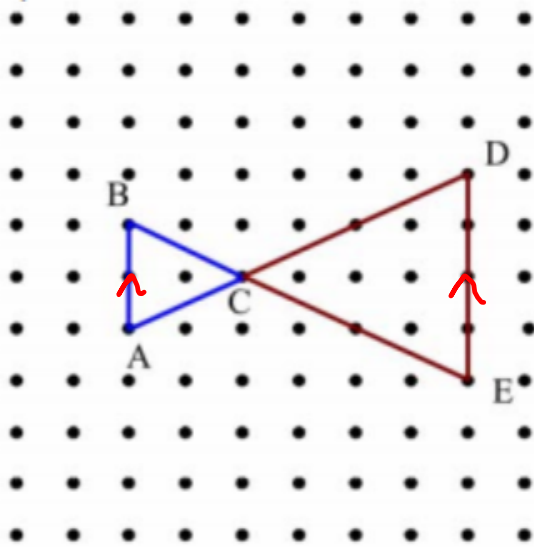
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Similar or not?



Similar or not?



What is Similarity?

For each of the triangles you've been given, measure each of the sides and angles. Record them using the table provided.

Triangle	Hypotenuse	Shortest side	Middle side	Angles
$\triangle ABC$	5	3	4	37° 53° 90°
$\triangle DEF$	20	12	16	37° 53° 90°
$\triangle GHK$	10	6	8	37° 53° 90°

What is Similarity?

>> Complete the following calculations.

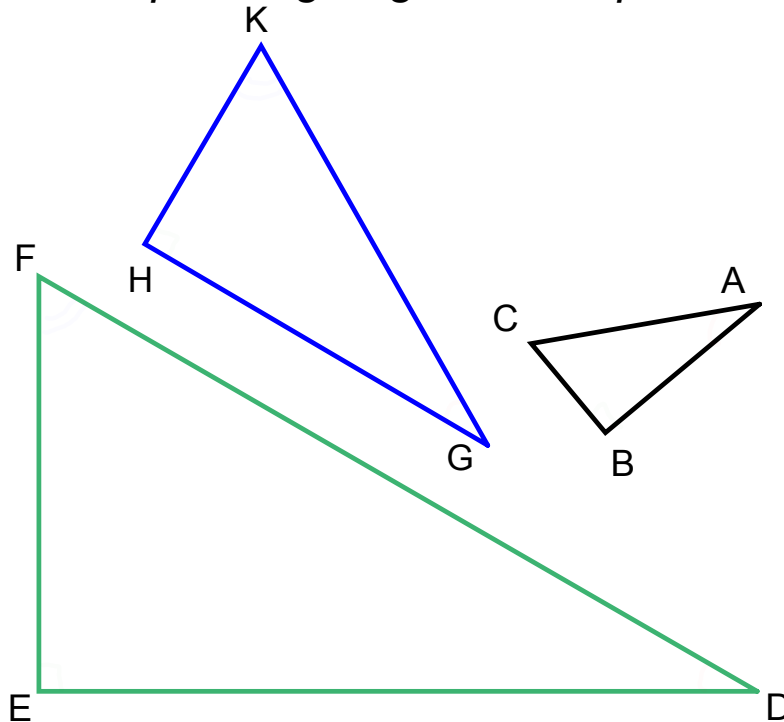
$$\frac{\text{Length of hypotenuse of } \triangle DEF}{\text{Length of hypotenuse of } \triangle ABC} = \frac{20}{5} = \frac{4}{1} \quad \frac{\text{Length of hypotenuse of } \triangle DEF}{\text{Length of hypotenuse of } \triangle GHK} = \frac{20}{10} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$\frac{\text{Length of shortest side of } \triangle DEF}{\text{Length of shortest side of } \triangle ABC} = \frac{12}{3} = \frac{4}{1} \quad \frac{\text{Length of shortest side of } \triangle DEF}{\text{Length of shortest side of } \triangle GHK} = \frac{12}{6} = \frac{2}{1}$$

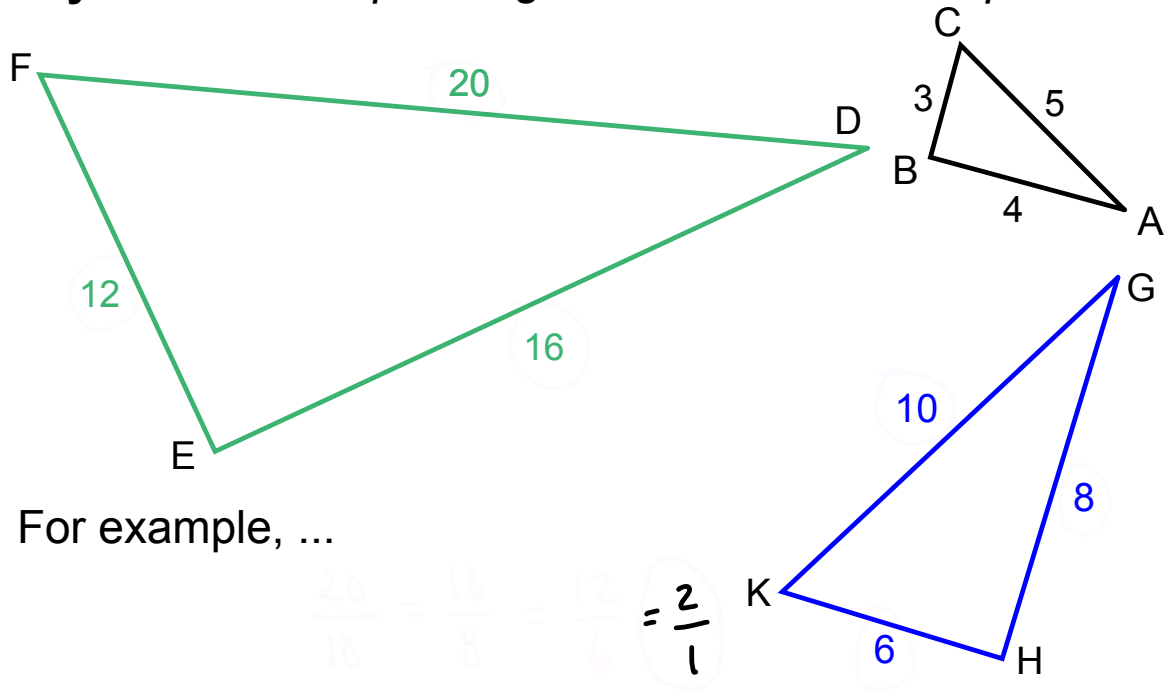
$$\frac{\text{Length of middle side of } \triangle DEF}{\text{Length of middle side of } \triangle ABC} = \frac{16}{4} = \frac{4}{1} \quad \frac{\text{Length of middle side of } \triangle DEF}{\text{Length of middle side of } \triangle GHK} = \frac{16}{8} = \frac{2}{1}$$

>> What do you notice about the ratios you have calculated in each column? State each ratio. **This ratio is called a scale factor.**

Key Idea: Corresponding angles are equal

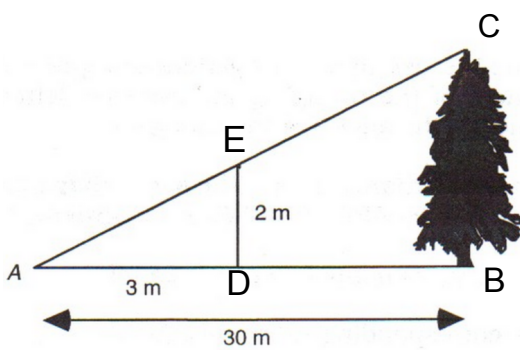


Key Idea: Corresponding ratios of sides are equal



Solving for missing side lengths using proportional reasoning

E.g., Calculate the height of the tree.



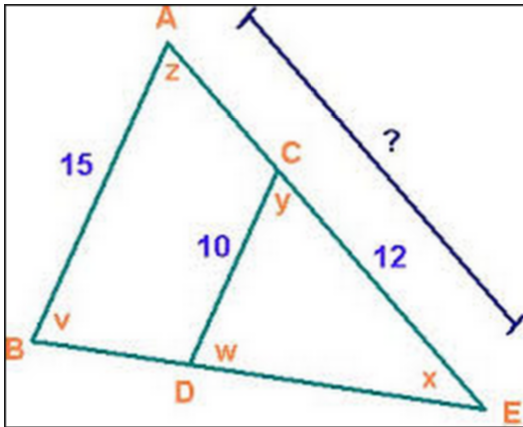
1-Which sides correspond?

2-Set up a proportion.

3-Solve.

Solving for missing side lengths using proportional reasoning

E.g., 2. Solve for ?



1-List ratios of *corresponding* sides

2-Set up a proportion

3-Solve

What did you learn today?

Personal:


Reflect upon the learning goals set for today's lesson.

-*What were today's goals?*

-*What do you understand? What do you know how to do?*

Practice

Complete the worksheets provided
(photocopy)

 Similar Triangles_Practice.pdf

Attachments

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