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Exercise 7E

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Question 1: State the two properties which are necessary for given two triangles to be similar. Solution:

Two properties for similarity of two triangles are:

(i) Angle-Angle-Angle (AAA) property.

(ii) Angle-Side-Angle (ASA) property.

Question 2: State the basic proportionality theorem.

Solution:

In a triangle, if a line parallel to one side is drawn, it will divide the other two sides proportionally.

Question 3: State the converse of Thales' theorem.

Solution:

If a line divides any two sides of a triangle in the same ratio. Then, the line must be parallel to the third side.

Question 4: State the midpoint theorem.

Solution:

The line joining the midpoints of two sides of a triangle, is parallel to the third side.

Question 5: State the AAA-similarity criterion.

Solution:

In two triangles, if three angles of the one triangle are equal to the three angles of the other, the triangles are similar.

Question 6: State the AA-similarity criterion.

Solution:

In two triangles, if two angles of the one triangle are equal to the corresponding angles of the other triangle, then the triangles are similar.

Question 7: State the SSS-criterion for similarity of triangles.

Solution:

In two triangles, if three sides of the one are proportional to the corresponding sides of the other, the triangles are similar.

Question 8: State the SAS-similarity criterion.

Solution:

In two triangles, if two sides of the one are proportional to the corresponding sides of the other and their included angles are equal, the two triangles are similar.

Question 9: State Pythagoras' theorem.

Solution:

In a right angled triangle, the square on the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of squares on the other two sides.

Question 10: State the converse of Pythagoras theorem.

Solution:

In a triangle, if the square on the longest side is equal to the sum of the squares on the other two sides,

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then the angle opposite to the hypotenuse is a right angle.

Question 11: If D, E and F are respectively the midpoints of sides AB, BC and CA of \triangle ABC then what is the ratio of the areas of \triangle DEF and \triangle ABC? Solution:

The ratio of their areas will be 1 : 4.

Question 12: Two triangles ABC and PQR are such that AB = 3 cm, AC = 6 cm, $\angle A$ = 70°, PR = 9 cm, $\angle P$ = 70° and PQ = 4.5 cm. Show that $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$ and state the similarity criterion.

Solution:

In two triangles $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle PQR$, AB = 3 cm, AC = 6 cm, $\angle A = 70^{\circ}$ PR = 9 cm, $\angle P = 70^{\circ}$ and PQ= 4.5 cmNow, $\angle A = \angle P = 70^{\circ}$ (Same) AC/PR = 6/9 = 2/3 and AB/PQ = 3/4.5 = 2/3

=> AC/PR = AB/PQ

Both \triangle ABC and \triangle PQR are similar.

Question 13: If $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ such that 2AB = DE and BC = 6 cm, find EF.

Solution:

 $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$ (given) 2AB = DE, BC = 6 cm (given)

 $\angle E = \angle B$ and $\angle D = \angle A$ and $\angle F = \angle C$

2AB = DE

=> AB/DE = 1/2

Therefore,

AB/DE = BC/EF

1/2 = 6/EF

or EF = 12 cm



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Question 14: In the given figure, DE || BC such that AD = x cm, DB = (3x + 4) cm, AE = (x + 3) cm and EC = (3x + 19) cm. Find the value of x.



Solution:

From figure: DE || BC AD = x cm, DB = (3x + 4) cm

AE = (x + 3) cm and EC = (3x + 19) cm

In **ΔABC**

AD/DB = AE/EC

x/(3x+4) = (x+3)/(3x+19) 3x² + 19x - 3x² - 9x - 4x = 12 x = 2

Question 15: A ladder 10 m long reaches the window of a house 8 m above the ground. Find the distance of the foot of the ladder from the base of the wall.

Solution:

Let AB is the ladder and A is window. Then, AB = 10 m and AC = 8 m

Let BC = x

In right ΔABC, By Pythagoras Theorem:

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AB^2 = AC^2 + BC^2
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 $(10)^2 = 8^2 + x^2$ $100 = 64 + x^2$ $x^2 = 100 - 64 = 36$ or x = 6

Therefore, Distance between foot of ladder and base of the wall is 6 m.

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