

4.6 Use Congruent Triangles

Before

You used corresponding parts to prove triangles congruent.

Now

You will use congruent triangles to prove corresponding parts congruent.

EQ: How can you use \cong Δ 's to prove sides or \angle s are \cong ?

Corresponding Parts of Congruent Triangles are Congruent
(related to the definition of congruent figures)

(CPCTC)

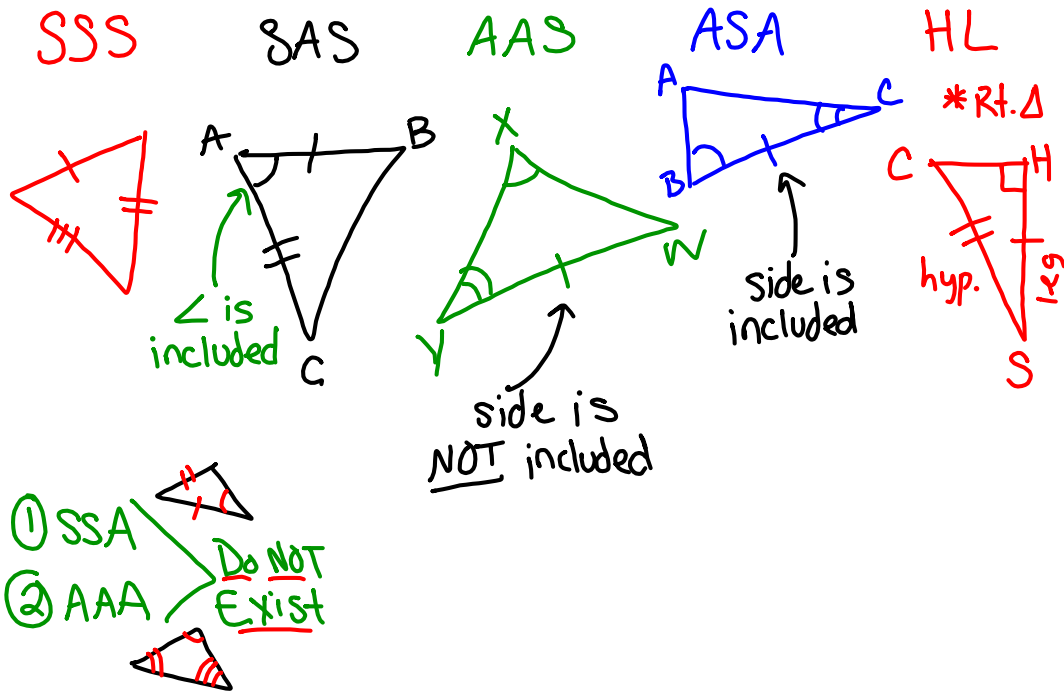
If there are two or more congruent triangles, then

corresponding parts (sides, angles) are congruent.

To show that corresponding parts of congruent triangles are congruent...

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A1. Give the appreciation name for each of the five triangle congruence shortcuts. Include a sketch of the congruence situation.

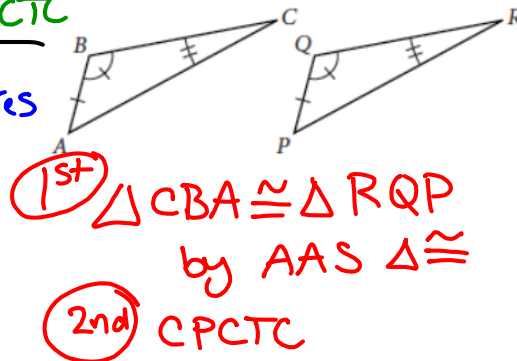


A2. Use the figures at the right to explain why each congruence is true.

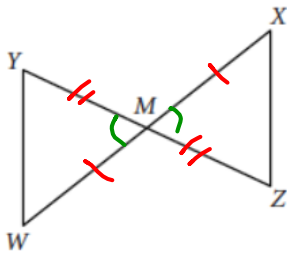
a. $\angle A \cong \angle P$ AAS, then CPCTC

b. $\overline{BA} \cong \overline{QP}$ Given in figures

c. $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle PQR$
AAS $\triangle \cong$



A3. M is the midpoint \overline{WX} and \overline{YZ} . Is $\overline{WY} \cong \overline{XZ}$? Why?



$\overline{WM} \cong \overline{XM}$
 $\overline{YM} \cong \overline{ZM}$ } Def. of mdpt.

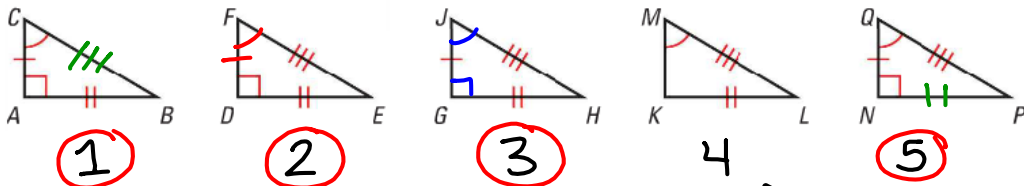
$\angle YMW \cong \angle ZMX$ VA

$\triangle WMY \cong \triangle XMZ$ SAS

$\overline{WY} \cong \overline{XZ}$ CPCTC

* Your reasons may vary

A4. Circle the triangles below that are congruent.



$\triangle 1 \cong \triangle 5$ ASA

→ Now mark CPCTC

$\triangle 1 \cong \triangle 3$ SSS

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$\therefore \triangle 5 \cong \triangle 3$

$\triangle 2 \cong \triangle 1, 3, 5$ HL Thm.

→ mark CPCTC

NOT \cong
 because
 SSA Does
 NOT
 Exist

A5. Make a plan to prove the statement... $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DB}$

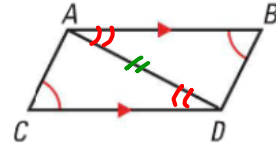
since $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{CD}$

$\angle BAD \cong \angle CDA$ by AIA

$\overline{AD} \cong \overline{DA}$ Reflexive

$\triangle ADC \cong \triangle DAB$ by AAS $\triangle \cong$

$\therefore \overline{AC} \cong \overline{DB}$ CPCTC

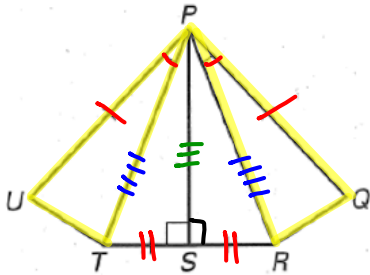


A6. What does "CPCTC" stand for?

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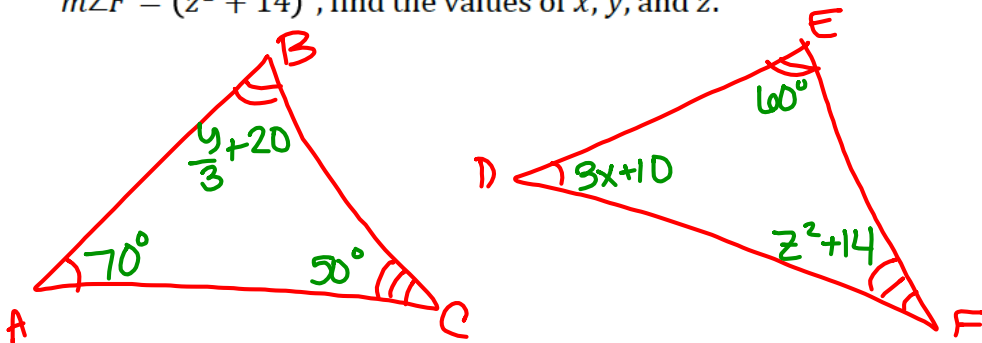
A7. GIVEN: $\overline{RS} \cong \overline{ST}$,
 $\overline{PU} \cong \overline{PQ}$,
 $\angle UPT \cong \angle QPR$

PROVE: $\triangle PTU \cong \triangle PRQ$



- | Statement | Reason |
|--|-------------------|
| 1) $\overline{RS} \cong \overline{ST}$ | 1) Given |
| 2) $\overline{PU} \cong \overline{PQ}$ | 2) Given |
| 3) $\angle UPT \cong \angle QPR$ | 3) Given |
| 4) $\angle PSR$ is a rt \angle | 4) Def of \perp |
| 5) $\overline{PS} \cong \overline{PS}$ | 5) Reflexive |
| 6) $\triangle PST \cong \triangle PSR$ | 6) SAS |
| 7) $\overline{PT} \cong \overline{PR}$ | 7) CPCTC |
| 8) $\triangle UPT \cong \triangle QPR$ | 8) SAS |

A8. Given that $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle DEF$, $m\angle A = 70^\circ$, $m\angle B = \left(\frac{y}{3} + 20\right)^\circ$,
 $m\angle C = 50^\circ$, $m\angle D = (3x + 10)^\circ$, $m\angle E = 60^\circ$, and
 $m\angle F = (z^2 + 14)^\circ$, find the values of x , y , and z .



$$\begin{aligned} 3x + 10 &= 70 \\ -10 & \\ \hline 3x &= 60 \\ \boxed{x = 20} & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{y}{3} + 20 &= 60 \\ -20 & \\ \hline \frac{y}{3} &= 40 \\ 3 \left(\frac{y}{3}\right) &= (40)3 \\ \boxed{y = 120} & \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} z^2 + 14 &= 50 \\ -14 & \\ \hline z^2 &= 36 \\ \sqrt{z^2} &= \sqrt{36} \\ \boxed{z = 6} & \end{aligned}$$

4.6 Summary:

Given \cong Δ s then the corresponding parts are \cong .

*** CPCTC ***

Ex: Given	then,	
$\triangle ABC \cong \triangle J L H$	$\angle A \cong \angle J$	$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{JL}$
	$\angle B \cong \angle L$	$\overline{BC} \cong \overline{LH}$
	$\angle C \cong \angle H$	$\overline{AC} \cong \overline{JH}$