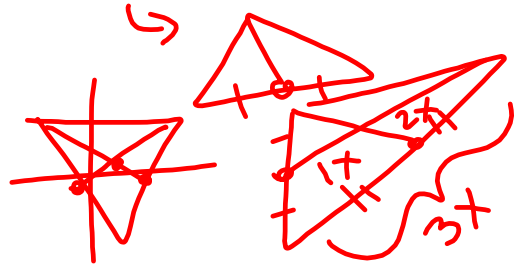


Lesson 5.6 - Midsegments of Triangles

AGENDA

- Homework Check & Review
- Lesson notes & guided practice

QUIZ 2 -  
ORTHOCENTER  
CENTROID



HOMWORK:

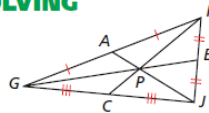
- p. 324-25: #11-16, 18-20, 24, 26
- Proofs E and F

Day 5 HW Answers: p. 318: #12-16, 21-26, 29-32, 37, 43

PRACTICE AND PROBLEM SOLVING

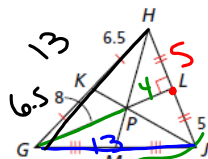
PA = 2.9, and HC = 10.8. Find each length.

- 12. PC 3.6
- 13. HP 7.2
- 14. JA 8.7
- 15. JP 5.8



Find each measure.

- 21. GL 12 ✓
- 22. PL 4 ✓
- 23. HL 5 ✓
- 24. GJ 13
- 25. perimeter of  $\triangle GHJ$  36 units
- 26. area of  $\triangle GHJ$  60 square units



Algebra Find the centroid of a triangle with the given vertices.

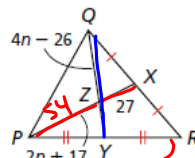
- 28. X(8, -1), Y(2, 7), Z(5, -3) (5, 1)

Details on slide 3

Find each length.

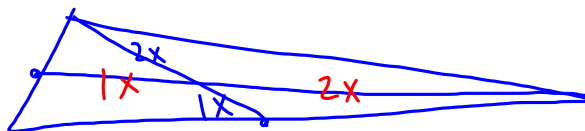
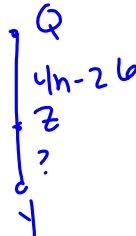
- 29. PZ 54 ✓
- 30. PX 81 ✓
- 31. QZ 48
- 32. YZ 24

QY = 72 by subbing in  $n = 37/2$  value from PZ



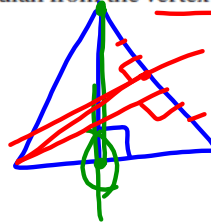
$54 = 2n + 17$

$12^2 + 5^2 = 13^2$



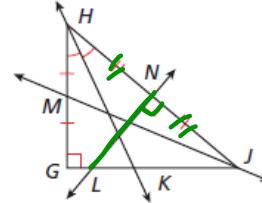
16. **Design** In the plan for a table, the triangular top has coordinates (0, 10), (4, 0), and (8, 14). The tabletop will rest on a single support placed beneath it. Where should the support be attached so that the table is balanced? (4, 8)

37. In an isosceles triangle, the altitude and median from the vertex angle are the same line as the bisector of the vertex angle. **A**



43. In the diagram, which of the following correctly describes  $\overline{LN}$ ?

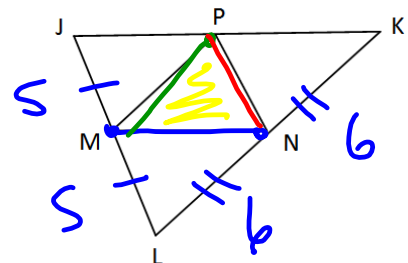
- (A) Altitude (B) Angle bisector (C) Median (D) Perpendicular bisector



$$\left( \frac{x_1 + x_2 + x_3}{3}, \frac{y_1 + y_2 + y_3}{3} \right) \text{ BIS OF } \overline{HJ}$$

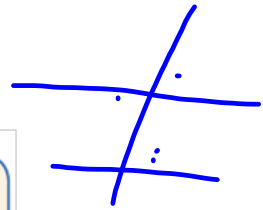
**Defn:** A **midsegment** is the segment that joins the midpoints of 2 sides of a triangle. Example:  $\overline{MN}$

A **midsegment triangle** is the triangle formed by all three midsegments. Example:  $\triangle MNP$



# Triangle Midsegment Theorem

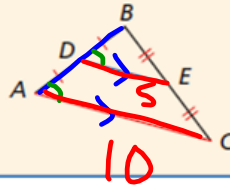
A midsegment of a triangle is parallel to its opposite side & it is  $\frac{1}{2}$  the length of that side.



## Theorem 5-4-1 Triangle Midsegment Theorem

A midsegment of a triangle is parallel to a side of the triangle, and its length is half the length of that side.

$$\overline{DE} \parallel \overline{AC}, DE = \frac{1}{2}AC$$



↘  $\Delta$  PAIRS

**Example 1:** Given the drawing at right, find

a) PM

$$PM = \frac{1}{2}LK = \frac{1}{2}(100) = 50$$

b)  $m\angle MLK$

$$\parallel \rightarrow \text{CORR } \angle \text{'S} \approx 102^\circ$$

c) JL

$$2PM = JL \\ 2(36) = JL = 72$$

d)  $m\angle NPM$

$$\parallel \rightarrow \text{ALT INT } \angle \text{'S} \approx 102^\circ$$

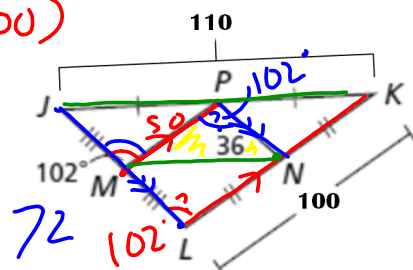
e) Perimeter of  $\Delta JKL$

$$110 + 100 + 72 = 282$$

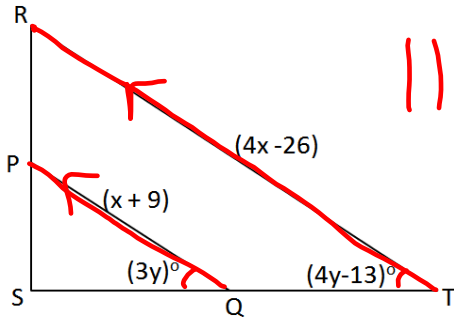
f) Perimeter of  $\Delta NMP$

$$SS + 50 + 36 = 141$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}P_{\Delta JKL}$$



**Example 2:**  $\overline{PQ}$  is the midsegment of  $\triangle RST$ . Find  $x$  &  $y$ .



$\parallel \rightarrow$  CORR  $\angle$ 'S  $\cong$

$3y = 4y - 13$   $PQ = \frac{1}{2}RT$

$13 = y$

$2PQ = RT$

$2(x+9) = 4x-26$

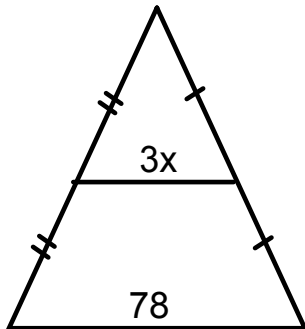
$2x+18 = 4x-26$

$44 = 2x$

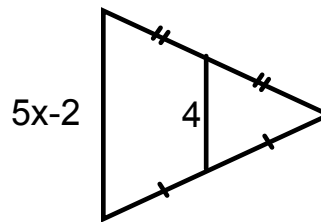
$22 = x$

TRY THESE TWO

1)



2)



**Midsegment Proof** You may prove a segment is a midsegment by one of two methods:

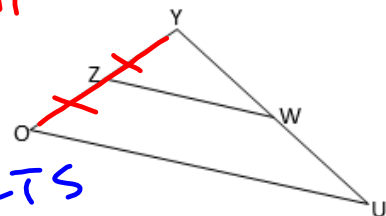
- **Definition:** Prove the endpoints are midpoints of the triangle's sides.
  - Ways to know you have a midpoint:
    - 2  $\cong$  HALVES • MEDIANS
    - BISECTOR • GIVEN
- **Properties:** Prove the segment is **half the length** of the triangle side that it **parallel to**  
 - this is usually in the coordinate plane



DISTANCE →  
SLOPE →

Ex1) Given:  $W$  bisects  $\overline{YU}$ ;  $\overline{YWU}$ ;  $\overline{YZ} \cong \overline{ZO}$ ;  $\overline{YZO}$

Prove:  $\overline{WZ}$  is a midsegment in  $\triangle YUO$



SINCE IT'S GIVEN  $W$  BISECTS  $\overline{YU}$  &  $\overline{YWU}$ , THEN  $W$  IS THE MIDPOINT OF  $\overline{YU}$ .

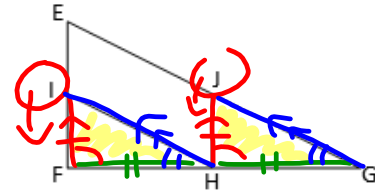
SINCE IT'S GIVEN  $\overline{YZ} \cong \overline{ZO}$  &  $\overline{YZO}$ , THEN  $Z$  IS THE MIDPOINT OF  $\overline{YO}$ .

BY DEFINITION,  $\overline{WZ}$  IS MIDSEGMENT OF  $\triangle YUO$ .

MIDPOINTS 1:2

Ex 2) Given:  $\overline{IH}$  is a midsegment of  $\triangle EFG$ ;  $\overline{FGH}$   
 $\overline{IF} \cong \overline{JH}$ ;  $\overline{EF} \parallel \overline{JH}$  CORR  $\angle$ 'S  $\cong$

Prove:  $\triangle IFH \cong \triangle JHG$



S  
 $\overline{IF} \cong \overline{JH}$   
 GIVEN

A  
 $\overline{EF} \parallel \overline{JH}$   
 ↓ GIVEN  
 $\angle F \cong \angle JHG$

$\parallel \rightarrow$  CORR  $\angle$ 'S  $\cong$

$\triangle IFH \cong \triangle JHG$   
 BY SAS  $\cong$  SAS

S  
 $\overline{IH}$  MIDSEGMENT  $\triangle EFG$

↓ GIVEN

H MIDPOINT  $\overline{FG}$

DEFN OF MIDSEGMENT

↓  
 $\overline{FH} \cong \overline{GH}$

MIDPOINT  $\rightarrow$  2  $\cong$  HALVES

**Midsegment Proof**

You may prove a segment is a midsegment by one of two methods:

- **Definition:** Prove the endpoints are midpoints of the triangle's sides.
- **Properties:** Prove the segment is half (using distance formula) the length of the triangle side that it is parallel to (slope =  $\rightarrow$  parallel). This is a conjunction.

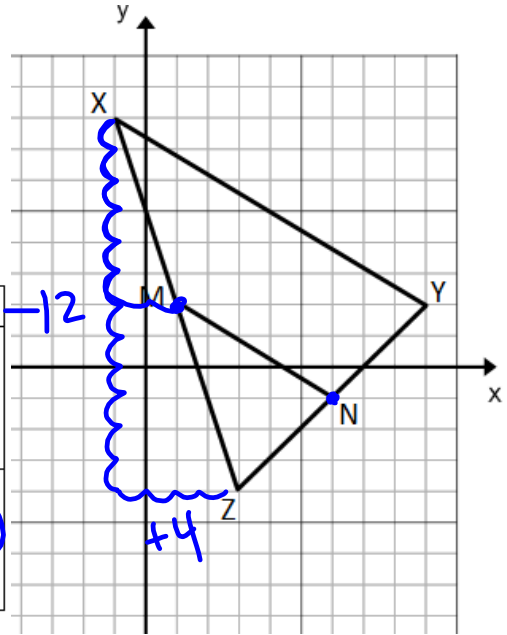
MIDPOINT FORMULA

Ex: Given:  $X(-1,8)$ ,  $Y(9,2)$ ,  $Z(3,-4)$   
 $M(1,2)$  and  $N(6,-1)$

Prove:  $\overline{MN}$  is a midsegment of  $\triangle XYZ$

Calculations:

	Midpoint
$\overline{XZ}$	$M(1,2)$ BY COUNTING
$\overline{ZY}$	$\left(\frac{9+3}{2}, \frac{2+(-4)}{2}\right) = (6,-1)$



Statements:

- **Defn:** Since the midpoint of  $\overline{XZ}$  is  $(1,2)$  and M is given as  $(1,2)$ , then M is the midpoint of  $\overline{XZ}$ . Since the midpoint of  $\overline{ZY}$  is  $(6,-1)$  and N is given as  $(6,-1)$  then N is the midpoint of  $\overline{ZY}$ . Since the segment  $\overline{MN}$  joins the midpoints M and N, then  $\overline{MN}$  is a midsegment of  $\triangle XYZ$  by DEFN OF MIDSEGMENT.

Given:  $X(-1,8)$ ,  $Y(9,2)$ ,  $Z(3,-4)$       Calculations:  
 $M(1,2)$  and  $N(6,-1)$

Prove:  $\overline{MN}$  is a midsegment of  $\triangle XYZ$

	Slope
$\overline{MN}$	$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{-3}{5}$ BY COUNTING
$\overline{XY}$	$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = \frac{2-8}{9-(-1)} = \frac{-6}{10} = -\frac{3}{5}$

Length (distance)

$MN = \sqrt{(-3)^2 + 5^2} = \sqrt{9 + 25} = \sqrt{34} = MN$

$XY = \sqrt{(9-(-1))^2 + (2-8)^2} = \sqrt{10^2 + (-6)^2} = \sqrt{100 + 36} = \sqrt{136} = \sqrt{4 \cdot 34} = 2\sqrt{34}$

Statements:

- **Properties:** Since the slopes  $m_{MN} = -\frac{3}{5} = m_{XY}$ , then  $\overline{MN} \parallel \overline{XY}$ . Since  $MN = \sqrt{34}$  and  $XY = 2\sqrt{34}$ , then  $MN = \frac{1}{2}XY$ . Since  $\overline{MN}$  is half the length of the segment it is parallel to, then  $\overline{MN}$  is midsegment of  $\triangle XYZ$ .

