ANGLES OF LINES AND TRIANGLES





A 45° angle is $\frac{1}{8}$ of a pie.

Any angle less than 90° is called an **acute** angle.



A 90° angle is $\frac{1}{4}$ of a pie.

Any 90 ° angle is called a **right** angle and marked by a little square in its corner.



A 135° angle is $\frac{3}{8}$ of a pie.

Any angle greater than 90° but less than 180° is called an **obtuse** angle.



A 180° angle is half a pie: it's a straight line.

Any 180° angle is called a **straight** angle.



A 270° angle is $\frac{3}{4}$ of a pie.

Any angle greater than 180° but less than 360° is called a **reflex** angle.



A 360° angle is a full circle.

Lines

1. Two lines are **parallel** (II) when they run next to each other but never touch.



2. Two lines are **perpendicular** (\perp) when they cross at a right angle.



3. Two intersecting lines always form four angles. The sum of these angles is 360°.





- 4. The opposite angles created by intersecting lines are always equal: a=b, x=y. $2a^{\circ} + 2x^{\circ} = 360^{\circ}$
- 5. Two perpendicular intersecting lines always form four 90⁰ ("right") angles.



6. If the sum of any two angles equals 180°, those angles are **supplementary**. If you know either one of them, you can find the other by subtracting the first from 180°.



7. If the sum of any two angles equals 90°, **those angles are complementary**. If you know either one of them, you can find the other by subtracting the first from 180°.



In the example above, a + x has to equal 90° because the **supplementary** angle is marked as a right angle.

8. When two parallel lines are intersected by a third line, two kinds of angles are created: large and small. Therefore, a = b and x = y.



- 9. When two parallel lines are intersected by a third line, all large angles equal each other. All small angles equal each other. Therefore, a = b and x = y.
- 10. When two parallel lines are intersected by a third line, the sum of any large angle and any small angle is 180° , because they are **supplementary** angles. Therefore, a + x = 180 and b + y = 180.

Triangles

11. Every triangle has three sides. If you add the lengths of any two of those sides, the sum will always be larger than the length of the third side.



12. The **perimeter** of any triangle is the sum of its three sides: a + b + c



13. Every triangle has three angles. Their sum is 180°.



- 14. Equilateral triangles have three equal sides and three 60° angles: $3 * 60^{\circ} = 180^{\circ}$
- 15. **Isoceles** triangles have two equal sides and two equal angles: $a^\circ = b^\circ$. Therefore, $(2 * a) + c = 180^\circ$
- 16. **Right** triangles have one 90° angle opposite a long side called a **hypoteneuse**. The other two angles always equal each other. Therefore, $(2 * a) + 90 = 180^{\circ}$. The square in the corner of any right angle shows that it is 90°.
- 17. The smallest angle in a triangle is opposite the triangle's shortest side, and the largest angle is opposite the triangle's longest side.
- 18. The **area** of a triangle equals its height times its base, divided by two: $A = \frac{1}{2} (b * h)$.



19. The **Pythagorean theorem** lets you find the third side of any **right triangle** if you know the other two. If you square the length of each shorter side and add those squares together, they equal the square of the hypoteneuse: $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$.



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