Use What You Know

In Lesson 31, you learned about parallel and perpendicular lines. Now you will use this understanding to classify two-dimensional shapes. Take a look at this problem.

Look at the shapes below. Put a check mark on all the shapes that appear to have at least one pair of parallel sides. Put a star on all the shapes that appear to have at least one pair of perpendicular sides.

- **a.** Which shapes have a pair of sides that are always the same distance apart?
  - ________________

- **b.** Lines, line segments, and rays that are always the same distance apart and never cross are called ____________________________.

- **c.** Which shapes have a pair of sides that form a right angle?
  - ________________

- **d.** Lines, line segments, and rays that form a right angle when they meet are called ____________________________.

- **e.** Explain how you could test your choices.
  - ______________________________________
  - ______________________________________
  - ______________________________________
  - ______________________________________
You know that there are many different kinds of shapes with straight sides, such as triangles and quadrilaterals. These shapes are types of **polygons**. There are many ways you can sort these shapes, such as by the number of sides the shape has. You can also sort them by the relationships between the sides.

Take another look at the shapes from the previous page. You can sort them by looking for pairs of parallel and perpendicular sides.

![Shapes A, B, C, D, E]

- Shapes with pairs of parallel sides *and* pairs of perpendicular sides: A and C

You can also sort the shapes by the kinds of angles they have. Here are some ways to sort the shapes by angles.

- Shapes with at least one right angle: A, C, and D
- Shapes with all right angles: A and C
- Shapes with at least one acute angle: D and E
- Shapes with at least one obtuse angle: B and E
- Shapes with all obtuse angles: B

**Reflect**

1. Describe the sides and the angles of shape C.
Read the problem below. Then explore different ways to understand sorting shapes into groups based on parallel and perpendicular sides.

Evan plays a board game. The board is divided into 3 sections.

These are Evan’s cards. In which sections of the board do the cards belong?

Picture It  You can use drawings to help sort shapes.

- Draw a pair of parallel lines and a pair of perpendicular lines.
- Draw lines along opposite sides of each shape. Compare these lines to the parallel lines you drew.
- Draw lines along sides of each shape that form angles. Compare these lines to the perpendicular lines you drew.

Model It  You can use a model to help sort shapes.

Make a Venn diagram. Put each card’s shape where it belongs in the diagram.

Evan’s cards belong in the “parallel sides” section of the board.
**Connect It** Now you will solve a problem similar to the one from the previous page. Evan gets different cards with a square and a quadrilateral. In which sections of the board do these shapes belong?

2. Look at the sides of the square. In which category does it belong?

3. Does the quadrilateral belong to any of the three categories? If not, name a category that can be used to describe this shape.

4. Explain how to sort shapes based on parallel and perpendicular sides.

**Try It** Answer the following questions using the shapes shown.

5. Describe the group these shapes belong in, based on the kinds of sides they have.

6. Circle the shape that belongs in the group “no parallel sides.”
Read the problem below. Then explore different ways to understand sorting shapes into categories based on angles.

A classroom computer game shows the player a set of categories and a set of shapes. The player puts each shape in the correct category. Draw an arrow from each shape to the category it belongs to.

**Picture It** You can use a model to help sort shapes based on angles.

Use the corner of a sheet of paper as a model of a right angle. Compare each angle to the paper corner.

For example, hold up the paper corner to the trapezoid.

Then you can compare the corner to each of the other 3 angles in the trapezoid.

**Model It** You can label a picture to help sort shapes based on angles.

Look at each shape. Mark each angle “a” for acute, “r” for right, or “o” for obtuse.

For example, mark the trapezoid like this:

The trapezoid has 2 acute angles and 2 obtuse angles. It belongs in the group “acute and obtuse.”

Remember to look at all of the angles in a shape before you put it in a group.
**Connect It**  Now you will sort shapes based on angles to solve the problem from the previous page.

7. Look at parallelograms A and B. Do they belong to the same group? Explain. Draw arrows to the correct group(s).

8. Look at the two triangles. Describe the angles in each one. Draw arrows to match the triangles with their group(s).

9. Look at the trapezoid and rectangle. Which has right angles only? Look at Picture It. To which group does the trapezoid belong? Draw arrows to the group(s).

10. Explain how to sort shapes based on whether they have acute, right, or obtuse angles.

**Try It**  Use what you just learned to solve these problems.

11. Where does the rhombus at the right belong in the Venn diagram below? Mark the place with an X.

   ![Venn diagram with acute angles, right angles, and obtuse angles]

   acute angles  right angles  obtuse angles

12. Circle the shape that has an acute angle, a right angle, and an obtuse angle.
Read the problem below. Then explore different ways to understand sorting triangles into groups based on kinds of angles and lengths of sides.

A website sells 7 kinds of triangular flags based on sides and angles.

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<tr>
<th>Flag</th>
<th>Equal Sides</th>
<th>Angles</th>
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<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>3 acute</td>
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<td>2</td>
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<td>2 acute, 1 right</td>
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<td>3</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>2 acute, 1 obtuse</td>
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<td>3 acute</td>
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<tr>
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<td>0</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>0</td>
<td>3 acute</td>
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The triangle at the right is a model for which flag number? What is the name of this triangle?

**Picture It** You can use a picture to help describe the sides and angles of triangles.

Compare the angles of the triangle to a right angle. The triangle has 3 acute angles.

The triangle has 2 sides of equal length (10 in.). Flag 4 has **2 sides of equal length** and **3 acute angles**. The triangle is a model for flag 4.

The tables below show triangle names based on the number of sides of equal length and kinds of angles.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Name</th>
<th>Description of Sides</th>
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<tr>
<td>equilateral</td>
<td>3 equal sides</td>
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<tr>
<td><strong>isosceles</strong></td>
<td><strong>2 equal sides</strong></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>scalene</td>
<td>0 equal sides</td>
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<td>right</td>
<td>1 right angle</td>
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<tr>
<td>obtuse</td>
<td>1 obtuse angle</td>
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The triangle has 2 equal sides, so it’s an isosceles triangle. Since it has 3 acute angles, it is an acute triangle. The triangle is an acute isosceles triangle.
Connect It  Now you will explore naming triangles further.

13 Look at triangle A. How many sides are the same length? __________
What kinds of angles does it have? ________________________________
What are two names for this triangle? ________________________________

14 What are two names for triangle B? ________________________________
Can this triangle also be called an acute triangle? Why or why not?

15 What are two names for triangle C? Explain.

16 Explain how to give a complete description of a triangle. ________________________________

Try It  Use what you just learned to solve these problems.

17 Give a complete description of the triangle below.

18 What do the triangles below have in common? ________________________________
How are they different? ________________________________
Study the example below. Then solve problems 19–21.

**Example**

Do any of the shapes below have at least one pair of parallel sides and at least one right angle? If yes, list the shapes. If no, explain.

- A
- B
- C
- D

**Look at how you could show your work using a table.**

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Shape</th>
<th>Parallel Sides</th>
<th>Right Angle</th>
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<td>X</td>
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**Solution** Yes; A and D

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19 Nate and Alicia play Draw My Shape. Nate says, “My shape has 2 pairs of parallel sides, 2 acute angles, and 2 obtuse angles.” Alicia draws the rectangle below. Explain why Alicia’s answer is incorrect.

I can test the angles to see if they are acute, right, or obtuse.

**Solution**

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**Pair/Share**

How could you test for parallel lines?

Can you have a 4-sided shape with 4 right angles and only 1 pair of parallel sides?
20 Compare and contrast the sides and angles of the shapes below.

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<table>
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<td>square</td>
<td>rhombus</td>
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**Solution**

All the square’s angles look alike, but the rhombus looks like it has two different kinds of angles.

**Pair/Share**

What does a rhombus have in common with a parallelogram?

21 Julio is missing one piece from the middle of the puzzle below. Circle the letter of the correct answer.

![Puzzle](image)

Which name best describes the missing piece?

A. acute isosceles triangle
B. acute scalene triangle
C. right isosceles triangle
D. right scalene triangle

Ricky chose B as the correct answer. How did he get that answer?

**Pair/Share**

Could a triangle ever have 2 right angles?
Solve the problems.

1. Which is the best name for the group of shapes below?

   - A  shapes with acute angles
   - B  shapes with right angles
   - C  shapes with parallel sides
   - D  shapes with perpendicular sides

2. Sort these four shapes. Use the characteristics labeled in the boxes below. Draw each shape in each of the boxes where it belongs. Some shapes may belong in more than one box.

   - equilateral triangle
   - parallelogram
   - square
   - right trapezoid

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<tr>
<th>Shapes with at Least One Acute Angle</th>
<th>Shapes with at Least One Pair of Perpendicular Sides</th>
<th>Shapes with at Least One Pair of Parallel Sides</th>
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</table>
Tell whether each sentence is True or False.

a. A right scalene triangle can have 3 different kinds of angles.  
☐ True  ☐ False

b. A right isosceles triangle has 2 right angles.  
☐ True  ☐ False

c. An equilateral triangle is also an acute triangle.  
☐ True  ☐ False

d. A triangle cannot have two perpendicular sides.  
☐ True  ☐ False

Divide the shapes below into 2 groups. Give each group a title that tells what all the shapes in that group have in common. Then draw another shape that belongs to each group.

Quadrilateral  
Square  
Hexagon  
Parallelogram  
Trapezoid  
Triangle

Show your work.

Self Check  
Go back and see what you can check off on the Self Check on page 331.