

5 ways for \cong .

Triangle Similarity Guided Notes

3 ways for Similarity \sim .

Triangle can be proved congruent by SAS, SSS, AAS, ASA, and HL.

Triangles can be proved Similar (\sim) using the following Theorems:

Postulate 7-3-1 Angle-Angle (AA) Similarity

POSTULATE	HYPOTHESIS	CONCLUSION
If two angles of one triangle are congruent to two angles of another triangle, then the triangles are similar.		$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

* \angle 's \cong
* Sides proportional.

Theorem 7-3-2 Side-Side-Side (SSS) Similarity

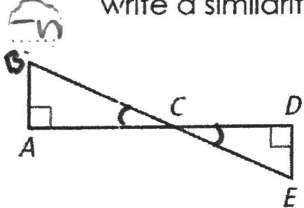
THEOREM	HYPOTHESIS	CONCLUSION
If the three sides of one triangle are proportional to the three corresponding sides of another triangle, then the triangles are similar.		$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

Theorem 7-3-3 Side-Angle-Side (SAS) Similarity

THEOREM	HYPOTHESIS	CONCLUSION
If two sides of one triangle are proportional to two sides of another triangle and their included angles are congruent, then the triangles are similar.		$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

* always check to make sure sides are proportional.

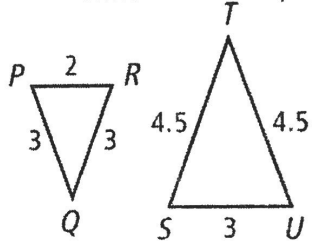
1. Explain why the triangles are similar and write a similarity statement.



$\triangle BAC \sim \triangle EDC$
by AA \sim

• (2 \angle 's are \cong)
• mark vertical \angle 's.

2. Explain why the triangles are similar and write a similarity statement.



* Show work to see if sides are proportional.

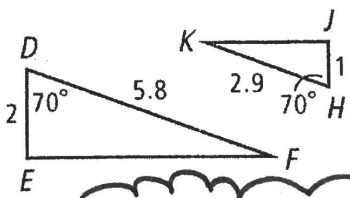
$\triangle PQR \sim \triangle STU$
by SSS.

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3. Explain why the triangles are similar and write a similarity statement.

• We have 1 set of included \angle 's \cong . (70°)
• Are the two sides proportional? yes



$\triangle DEF \sim \triangle HJK$
by SAS

$$\frac{2}{5.8} = \frac{1}{2.9} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2.9} = \frac{1}{2.9} \checkmark$$