GEOMETRY

Classifying Triangles

Classifying **Scalene Triangle Isosceles Triangle Equilateral Triangle** by Side All 3 side lengths and angles are 2 side lengths (and 2 angles) All side lengths are the same. Length different. are the same All angles are 60° Classifying **Acute Triangle Right Triangle Obtuse Triangle** by Angle All angles are less than 90° One angle is exactly 90° One angle is more than 90° Measure

Any triangle can be classified by side length, or by its angle measures

Polygons

A polygon is a closed figure formed by 3 or more line segments

Polygon Name	# of sides	Polygon Name	# of sides	Polygon Name	# of sides
Triangle	3	Hexagon	6	Nonagon	9
Quadrilateral	4	Heptagon	7	Decagon	10
Pentagon	5	Octagon	8		

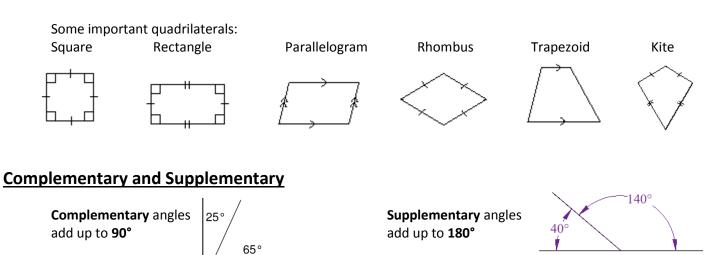
A regular polygon – is a polygon where all side lengths are equal (so all angles are equal too).

e.g.

← Regular Octagon

← Irregular Octagon

Quadrilaterals



Interior Angles

If you add up the interior angles in a polygon, the answer will be constant, depending on the type of polygon:

Type of	Sum of Interior
Polygon	Angles
Triangle	180°
Quadrilateral	360°
Pentagon	540°
Hexagon	720°

Here's the formula to calculate the total: *Let n be the number of sides the polygon has*

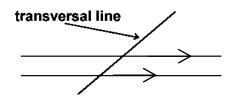
Sum of interior angles = 180(n - 2)

Exterior Angles

For *any* polygon, the sum of the exterior angles is *always* 360°

Angle Patterns

When two or more *parallel lines* intersect with a *transversal*, angle patterns are created



Property Name	Memory Aid	Description	Diagram	
Opposite angles	X Pattern	When two lines intersect, the opposite angles are equal	$ \begin{array}{c} A \\ B \\ C \\ D \\ \hline \\ B = C \\ B = C \\ \hline \\ F = G \\ \hline \\ F = G \\ \end{array} $	
Alternate Angles	Z Pattern	Alternate angles are <i>equal</i>	$ \xrightarrow{A \ B} C = F $ $ \xrightarrow{E \ F} D = E $	
Corresponding Angles	F _{Pattern}	Corresponding angles are <i>equal</i>	$ \begin{array}{c} G \\ H \\ \hline \\ A \\ B \\ \hline \\ C \\ D \end{array} \end{array} \xrightarrow{D = H} \\ C = G \\ \hline \\ E \\ F \\ \hline \\ G \\ H \end{array} \xrightarrow{F = B} \\ F = B $	
Co-interior Angles	C Pattern	Co-interior angles have a <i>sum of 180°</i> (they are supplementary)	$\xrightarrow{A \ B} \xrightarrow{D+F}$	= 180° = 180°