

# SIMILAR TRIANGLES 

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## SIMILAR PONYGONS $=$ REVIEW

- What are the properties of similar polygons?
- They have congruent angles.
- Their sides are proportional
- We can find missing measurement with similar polygons...
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Find $X$ and $Y$



## SO...WTHY DO WE CAREABOUTI

## SIMMLAR TRIANGLES?

- Triangles have special properties
- They have congruence shortcuts:
- SSS - "Side-Side-Side"
- SAS - "Side-Angle-Side"
- AAS - "Angle-Angle-Side"
- ASA- "Angle-Side-Angle"
- Could they have similarity shortcuts?
- What would the "Side" part of similarity shortcuts mean?
- "Side" in this case means that the corresponding sides in each triangle would have the same proportion.


## WILL JUSTT "ANGLE" WORK?

- Is knowing just one corresponding pair of congruent angles enough to prove similarity?
- Sketchpad-demonstration
- No, knowing just one corresponding pair of congruent angles is inconclusive to prove similarity.


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- Are two triangles similar if given that two sets of corresponding sides are proportional?
- Sketchpad example
- No, knowing that two triangles have two sets of corresponding side are proportional is inconclusive to prove similarity.


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\frac{G H}{J K}=\frac{G W}{J F}, \text { but } \triangle G W B \text { is not similar to } \triangle J F K \text {. }
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- Start investigations individually, but share your results with your partner.
- As partners, come up with a clear and concise conjecture about each investigation.
- Start with the investigation that is next to your name. (You are still required to do all of them)

| Group |  |
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| Mitchell D., Allie, Jimmy M., <br> Chris, Sarah, Ashlee, Mitch S. | Start with investigation \#1 |
| Evan, Mike, Jim S., Tim, <br> Alexander L., Ethan | Start with investigation \#2 |
| Steven, Shristi, Deanna, Kiara, <br> Alex C., Elijah | Start with investigation \#3 |

## EXITI SLIP

- Using the figure below answer the following questions:


1. Prove that $\triangle \mathrm{ABC} \sim \triangle \mathrm{DEC}$ using one of the similarity short cuts. Quickly explain how you came to that conclusion.
2. Find the value of $X$.

[^0]:    $\angle A \cong \angle D$ but $\triangle A B C$ is not sitrilar to $\triangle D P F$ or to $\triangle D P E$.

