

Geometry

**8.1 & 8.2: Classifying Polygons  
& Finding Angles in Polygons**

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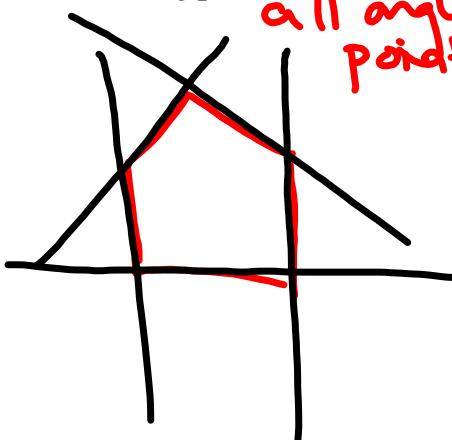


Students will classify polygons according to different categories and find the interior and exterior angle measures of polygons.

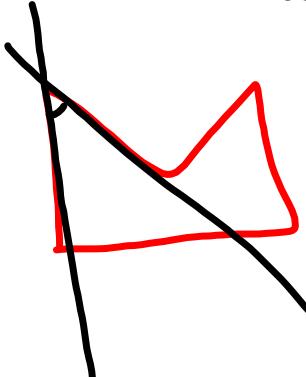
★ Polygon:

plane figure formed by 3 or more segments.

Convex Polygon:



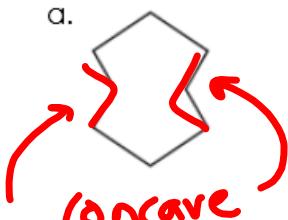
Concave Polygon:



"caves in"  
at least  
one extended  
side goes  
through  
polygon

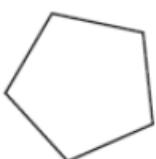
Example 1: Decide whether the polygon is convex or concave.

a.



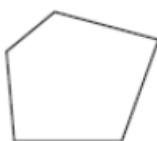
concave

b.



convex

c.



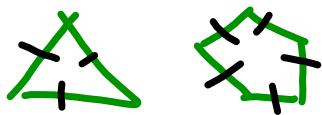
convex

d.



concave

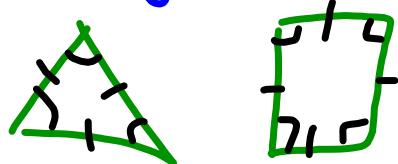
★ Equilateral polygon:

all sides  $\cong$ 

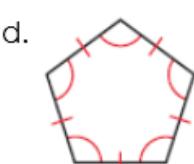
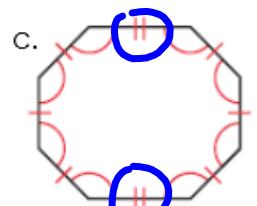
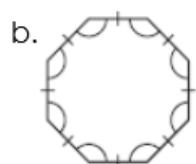
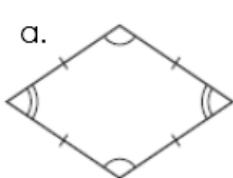
★ Equiangular polygon:

all angles  $\cong$ 

★ Regular polygon:

all angles and sides  $\cong$ 

Example 2: Decide whether the polygon is regular. Explain.



no, not  
all angles  
are  $\cong$

yes

no, not all  
sides are  
 $\cong$

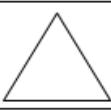
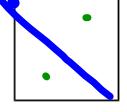
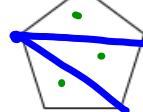
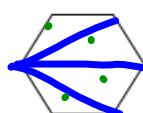
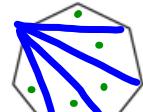
yes

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all angles  
are  $\cong$

**Investigate Angle Sums in Polygons**

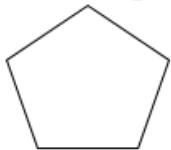
**Step 1:** In each polygon in the chart below, pick a vertex and draw the diagonals from that ONE vertex.

**Step 2:** Look for a pattern in the last column of the table.

Picture	Polygon	Number of Sides	Number of Triangles	Sum of measures of Interior Angles
	Triangle	3	1	$1 \cdot 180^\circ = 180^\circ$
	quadrilateral	4	2	$2 \cdot 180^\circ = 360^\circ$
	pentagon	5	3	$3 \cdot 180^\circ = 540^\circ$
	hexagon	6	4	$4 \cdot 180^\circ = 720^\circ$
	heptagon	7	5	$5 \cdot 180^\circ = 900^\circ$
	octagon	8	6	$6 \cdot 180^\circ = 1080^\circ$
	N-gon	N	N-2	$(n-2) \cdot 180^\circ$

Write an expression for the sum of the measures of the interior angles of a convex n-gon.

★Interior Angles



$$\text{Sum} = (n-2)180^\circ$$

where  $n$  is the number  
of sides

7 sides

Example 3: Find the sum of the measures of the interior angles of a convex heptagon.

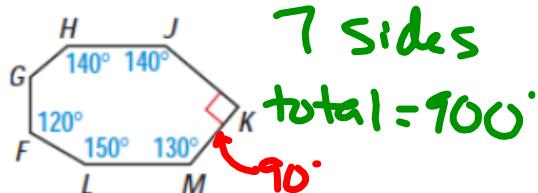
$$N = 7$$

$$(7-2) \cdot 180^\circ$$

$$5 \cdot 180^\circ = 900^\circ$$

Example 4: Find the measure of  $\angle G$  in each diagram below.

a.



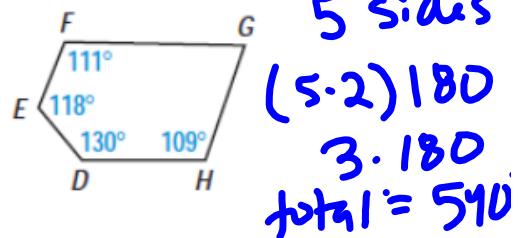
$$140^\circ + 140^\circ + 90^\circ + 130^\circ + 150^\circ + 120^\circ + G = 900^\circ$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -770^\circ \\ \hline -770^\circ \end{array}$$

$$m\angle G = 130^\circ$$

Try:

b.

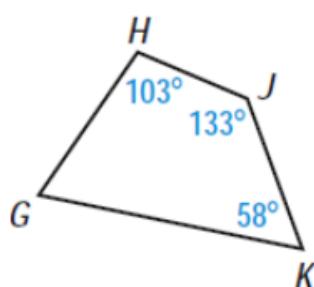


$$\begin{array}{r} 111^\circ + 118^\circ + 130^\circ + 109^\circ + G = 540 \\ \hline 468^\circ + G = 540 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -468^\circ \\ \hline G = 72^\circ \end{array}$$

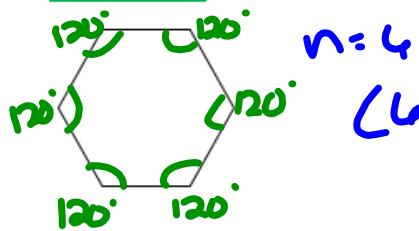
b) Find the measure of  $\angle G$ .

$$\begin{array}{r} (30-2) \cdot 180^\circ \\ 28 \cdot 180^\circ \\ 5040^\circ \end{array}$$



6-sides

Example 5: Find the measure of an interior angle of a regular hexagon.



$$n = 6$$

$$\frac{(6-2)180}{6} = \frac{4 \cdot 180}{6} = 720$$

$$\text{an angle} = \frac{720}{6} = 120^\circ$$

Example 6: Find the measure of an interior angle of a regular decagon. 10-sides

$$n = 10$$

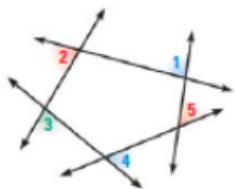
$$\frac{(10-2)180}{10}$$

$$8 \cdot 180 = 1440$$

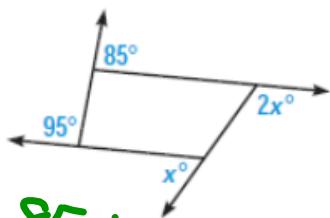
$$\text{an angle} = \frac{1440}{10} =$$

144°

★Exterior Angles:

angles outside polygonSum of exterior =  $360^\circ$ Example 7: Find the value of x.

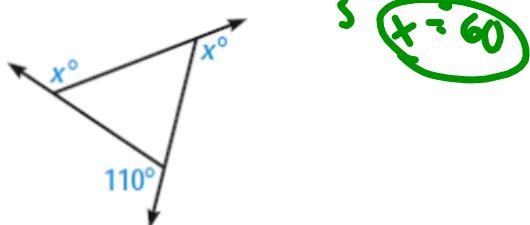
a.)



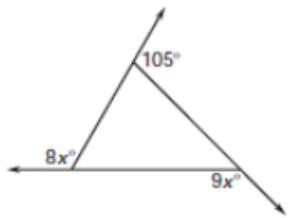
$$\begin{aligned} 85 + 95 + x + 2x &= 360 \\ 180 + 3x &= 360 \\ -180 & \hline 3x &= 180 \end{aligned}$$

Try:

a.)

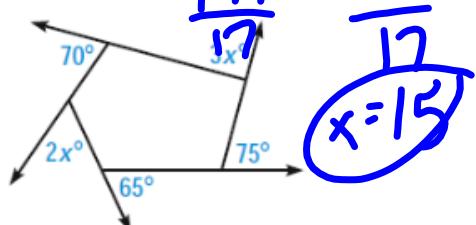


b.)



$$\begin{aligned} 8x + 105 + 9x &= 360 \\ 17x + 105 &= 360 \\ -105 & \hline 17x &= 255 \end{aligned}$$

b.)



Homework: Worksheet 8.1/8.2