

## Proving Triangles Congruent



## The Idea of a Congruence

Two geometric figures with exactly the same size and shape.


## How much do you need to know. . .

? . . about two triangles

## Corresponding Parts

You learned that if all six pairs of corresponding parts (sides and angles) are congruent, then the triangles are congruent.

$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { 1. } \overline{A B \cong D E} \\
& \text { 2. } \overline{B C \cong E F} \\
& \text { 3. } \overline{A C} \cong D \bar{F} \\
& \text { 4. } \angle A \cong \angle D \\
& \text { 5. } \angle B \cong \angle E \\
& \text { 6. } \angle C \cong \angle F
\end{aligned}
$$



## Do you need all six?



## Side-Side-Side (SSS)



1. $\mathrm{AB} \cong \mathrm{DE}$
2. $\overline{B C} \cong E F \quad \triangle A B C \cong \triangle D E F$
3. $\mathrm{AC} \cong \mathrm{DF}$

## Side-Angle-Side (SAS)



1. $A B \cong D E$
2. $\angle A \cong \angle D$

3. $A C \cong D F$
included angle

## Included Angle

## The angle between two sides


$\angle G$

$\angle I$

$\angle H$

## Included Angle



## Angle-Side-Angle (ASA)



1. $\angle A \cong \angle D$
2. $A B \cong D E$

3. $\angle B \cong \angle E$

## Included Side

## The side between two angles



GI


HI


GH

## Included Side

Name the included side:


$$
\begin{array}{ll}
\angle Y \text { and } \angle E & \overline{Y E} \\
\angle E \text { and } \angle S & \mathrm{ES} \\
\angle S \text { and } \angle Y & \mathrm{SY}
\end{array}
$$

## Angle-Angle-Side (AAS)



1. $\angle A \cong \angle D$
2. $\angle B \cong \angle E$
$\square \triangle \mathrm{ABC} \cong \triangle \mathrm{DEF}$
3. $B C \cong E F$

Non-included side

## Warning: No SSA Postulate



NOT CONGRUENT

## Warning: No AAA Postulate



NOT CONGRUENT

## Name That Postulate <br> (when possible)



ASA


SSS

## Name That Postulate

(when possible)


ASA


SAS


## Things you can mark on a triangle when they aren't

 marked.

## Overlapping sides are congruent in each triangle by the REFLEXIVE property

Alt Int Angles are
congruent given parallel
lines


## Name That Postulate

(when possible)


Reflexive Property SAS


Vertical
Angles SAS


## HW: Name That Postulate <br> (when possible)



## HW: Name That Postulate <br> (when possible)



## Let's Practice

Indicate the additional information needed to enable us to apply the specified congruence postulate.

For ASA: $\quad \angle B \cong \angle D$
For SAS: $\quad \overline{\mathrm{AC}} \cong \overline{\mathrm{FE}}$


For AAS: $\quad \angle A \cong \angle F$

## HW

Indicate the additional information needed to enable us to apply the specified congruence postulate.

For ASA:

For SAS:


For AAS:

## Write a congruence statement for each pair of triangles represented. $\overline{\mathrm{AB}} \cong \overline{\mathrm{CD}}, \overline{\mathrm{EB}} \cong \overline{\mathrm{FD}}, \angle \mathrm{B} \cong \angle \mathrm{D}$


$\Delta \mathrm{ABE} \cong \Delta \mathrm{CDF}$

Determine if whether each pair of triangles is congruent by SSS, SAS, ASA, or AAS. If it is not possible to prove that they are congruent, write not possible.
Ex 4

$\Delta \mathrm{GIH} \cong \Delta \mathrm{JIK}$ by AAS

Determine if whether each pair of triangles is congruent by SSS, SAS, ASA, or AAS. If it is not possible to prove that they are congruent, write not possible. Ex 5

$\triangle A B C \cong \triangle E D C$ by ASA

Determine if whether each pair of triangles is congruent by SSS, SAS, ASA, or AAS. If it is not possible to prove that they are congruent, write not possible.

Ex 6

$\triangle A C B \cong \triangle E C D$ by $S A S$

Determine if whether each pair of triangles is congruent by SSS, SAS, ASA, or AAS. If it is not possible to prove that they are congruent, write not possible.

Ex 7

$\Delta \mathrm{JMK} \cong \Delta \mathrm{LKM}$ by SAS or ASA

Determine if whether each pair of triangles is congruent by SSS, SAS, ASA, or AAS. If it is not possible to prove that they are congruent, write not possible.

Ex 8



Not possible

Write a congruence statement for each pair of triangles represented.

1. $\overline{Y Z} \cong \overline{S Q}, \overline{X Z} \cong \overline{R Q}$, and $\overline{X Y} \cong \overline{R S}$
2. $\overline{F E} \cong \overline{A C}, \overline{F D} \cong \overline{A B}$, and $\angle F \cong \angle A$
3. $\angle H \cong \angle N, \overline{K H} \cong \overline{L N}$, and $\overline{J H} \cong \overline{M N}$

Determine whether each pair of triangles is congruent. If so, write a congruence statement and explain why the triangles are congruent.
4.

5.


Write a congruence statement for each pair of triangles represented.

1. $\overline{Y Z} \cong \overline{S Q}, \overline{X Z} \cong \overline{R Q}$, and $\overline{X Y} \cong \overline{R S} \quad$ Sample answer: $\triangle X Y Z \cong \triangle R S Q$
2. $\overline{F E} \cong \overline{A C}, \overline{F D} \cong \overline{A B}$, and $\angle F \cong \angle A$

Sample answer: $\triangle D E F \cong \triangle B C A$
3. $\angle H \cong \angle N, \overline{K H} \cong \overline{L N}$, and $\overline{J H} \cong \overline{M N}$

Sample answer: $\triangle K H J \cong \triangle L N M$

Determine whether each pair of triangles is congruent. If so, write a congruence statement and explain why the triangles are congruent.
4.


Sample answer:
$\triangle A B C \cong \triangle E D F$ by $S A S$
5.


The triangles are not congruent.

