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**Question:** Find the coordinates of a point  $A$  where  $AB$  is a diameter of the circle with center  $(3, -1)$  and the point  $B$  is  $(2, 6)$ .

**Solution:** let  $C$  be the center of circle

Point	x	y
$B$	2	6
$C$	3	-1

Circle center is the **midpoint** of diameter  $AB$ . So, midpoint formula:

$$\left( \frac{x_A + x_B}{2}, \frac{y_A + y_B}{2} \right) = (3, -1)$$

Solve for  $x_A$ :

$$\frac{x_A + 2}{2} = 3 \Rightarrow x_A + 2 = 6 \Rightarrow x_A = 6 - 2 = 4$$

Solve for  $y_A$ :

$$\frac{y_A + 6}{2} = -1 \Rightarrow y_A + 6 = -2 \Rightarrow y_A = -2 - 6 = -8$$

Hence,

$$A =$$

$(4, -8)$

Midpoint of  $A(4, -8)$  and  $B(2, 6)$  is

$$\left( \frac{4 + 2}{2}, \frac{-8 + 6}{2} \right) = (3, -1)$$

