

QUADRILATERAL ART & CONSTRUCTION PROJECT

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What is this project?

You will create an art piece that includes a geometric construction of your own design and clearly shows the properties of that quadrilateral.

Step 1: Choose ONE quadrilateral

Examples: square, rectangle, parallelogram, rhombus, trapezoid, kite, etc.

Step 2: Create Your Construction

Your construction must:

- be done using a straightedge and compass,
- have clearly labeled vertices (ex: A, B, C, D),

You should show and label:

- side lengths or equal sides,
- interior angles or angle relationships,
- parallel and/or perpendicular sides (if they exist),
- diagonals (if they help show properties).

Step 3: Create the Art Piece

Your final art piece must include:

- your final construction diagram,
- a clear list of properties of your quadrilateral,
- math markings (tick marks, arrows, angle arcs),
- colour or design that does not hide the math.

Checklist

- I chose one quadrilateral and named it clearly.
- My construction is neat and accurate.
- All vertices are labeled.
- Properties are clearly shown and explained.
- Math markings are correct and easy to see.
- My art enhances the math (it does not cover it).

ART CRITICS

Here is an example of a ‘quadrilateral piece’ from this project:

KITE

Properties:

- $AB = AD$ and $BC = CD$ (two pairs of equal adjacent sides)
- diagonals are perpendicular
- one diagonal bisects the other
- line of symmetry along \overline{AC} (for this kite)

Art Critics: How could this piece be improved?

- Add more artistic elements (backgrounds, patterns, colour) without hiding the math.
- Label and measure the diagonals to better communicate the geometry.
- Add more mathematical information directly on the kite (for example: “kite $ABCD$ ”, $AB = AD$, $BC = CD$, symmetry line).
- Include additional markings to highlight relationships (right-angle symbols, midpoint marks, congruency marks).
- Adjust spacing or layout to make the information even clearer.
- Identify one more correct property of a kite that is not currently shown.