Folding and Tracing

Short-answer questions about folding and tracing.

Problem 1 What are the rules for folding and tracing constructions?

Problem 2 Use folding and tracing to bisect a given line segment. Explain the steps in your construction.

Hint: Fold one endpoint of the segment onto the other. The midpoint is where the fold intersects the segment. (Note that the fold is the perpendicular bisector of the segment.)

Problem 3 Given a line segment with a point on it, use folding and tracing to construct a line perpendicular to the segment that passes through the given point. Explain the steps in your construction.

Hint: Fold the line onto itself so that the fold goes through the given point. (You may need to extend the segment to see enough of the line.)

Problem 4 Use folding and tracing to bisect a given angle. Explain the steps in your construction.

Hint: Fold one side of the angle onto the other so that the fold goes through the vertex of the angle.

Problem 5 Given a point and line, use folding and tracing to construct a line perpendicular to the given line that passes through the given point. Explain the steps in your construction.

Hint: Fold the line onto itself so that the fold goes through the given point.

Learning outcomes:

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Problem 6 Given a point and line, use folding and tracing to construct a line parallel to the given line that passes through the given point. Explain the steps in your construction.

Hint: Construct a perpendicular to a perpendicular as follows: (1) Fold the line onto itself so that the fold goes through the given point. (2) Fold the new fold onto itself so that the fold goes through the given point.

Problem 7 Given a length of 1, construct a triangle whose perimeter is a multiple of 6. Explain the steps in your construction.

Problem 8 Construct a 30-60-90 right triangle. Explain the steps in your construction.

Problem 9 Given a length of 1, construct a triangle with a perimeter of $3 + \sqrt{5}$. Explain the steps in your construction.