

# Geometry Unit 1: Segments, Length, and Area

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# Learning Target: I can measure my world

CCSS: HSG.CO.A.1 Know precise geometric definitions

1.1 Thursday 8 Sept

Do Now: Make simple measurements on paper

1. Diagram the desks *adjacent* to yours and their distances
2. Early finishers: Calculate diagonal distances

ToDo: add classroom desk image, diagram

Lesson: Points, line segments, length; Segment addition postulate

Homework (on looseleaf, due tomorrow):

1. Write for me your "math autobiography."
2. Set one Math goal for the year.
3. Optional: spicy absolute value worksheet

A *diagram* is a simplified image representing a situation

This is an example diagram of a desk arrangement

When making diagrams

Include common elements: labels, titles, distances

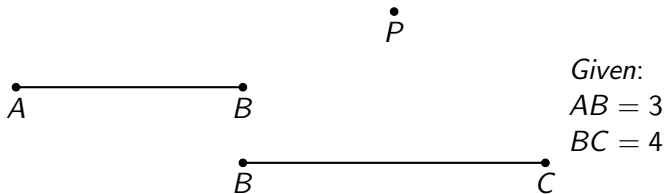
**Conventions** Standard ways of doing things to make it easier to work with other people

**Adjacent** Positioned next to each other

Write down vocabulary and terminology in your notebook with definitions and examples. (I write new terms in *italics*)

## Line segments and their endpoints

Points  $P$ ,  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , and line segments  $\overline{AB}$ ,  $\overline{BC}$  are shown.

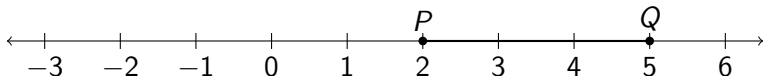


The *length* of a line segment is the distance between the two endpoints. The length of segment  $\overline{AB}$  is written  $AB$  (no bar over).

A *number line* is useful for calculating length or distance

Take the difference in the points' values

Given  $\overline{PQ}$  as shown on the number line.

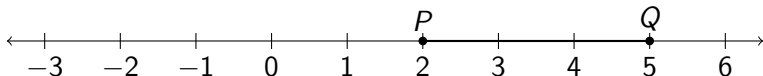


Find the distance on the number line between the points  $P$  and  $Q$ .

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$$PQ = 5 - 2 = 3$$

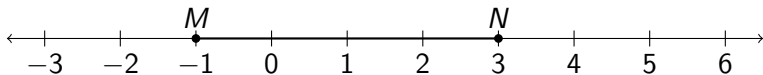
Can a length be a negative number?

Most of the lengths on our problem sets are in centimeters.

## Negative number practice on a number line

Take the difference in the points' values. Check by counting the marks.

Given  $\overline{MN}$  with  $M(-1)$  and  $N(3)$ , as shown on the number line.



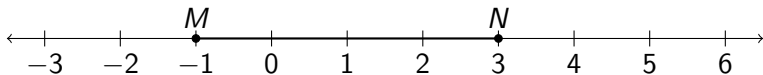
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$$MN = 3 - (-1) = 4$$

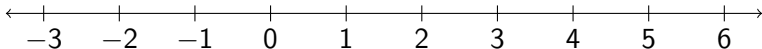
Why is “minus a negative” like adding a positive?

## Decimal practice on a number line

Mark the points then take the difference in the points' values.

Given  $\overline{GH}$  with  $G(1)$  and  $H(4.5)$ .

1. Mark and label the points and segment on the number line.
2. What is the length of the segment  $\overline{GH}$ ? Show your work as an equation.

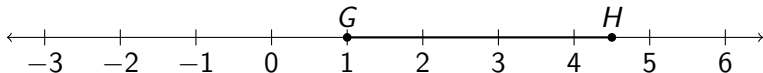


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$$GH = 4.5 - 1 = 3.5$$

# Take class notes in a composition book

Copy definitions using your own words. Write down example diagrams and problems

## Terminology:

**Point** A location, has no size; label with capital letter,  $P$

**Endpoint** A point at the end of a line segment

**Line segment** Two points and all the points between them; label with *endpoints* and a bar, e.g.  $\overline{AB}$

**Distance** The positive difference between two points on a number line (length is the same thing).  $AB = 3$  inches

**Number line** A line with lengths marked on it

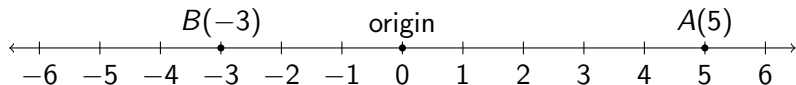
**Conventions** Standard ways of doing things to make it easier to work with other people

**Diagram** Simplified image of a situation

**Adjacent** Positioned next to each other

**Spicy:** *Absolute value* is the distance from a point to zero

“Spicy”, or extension topics, must be written in your notebook, but homework and tests are optional.



The absolute value of 5 is 5.  $|5| = 5$

The absolute value of  $-3$  is 3.  $|-3| = 3$

The absolute value of a number is always a positive number, or zero

Write the absolute value of a number  $x$  using vertical bars  $|x|$  or  $abs(x)$

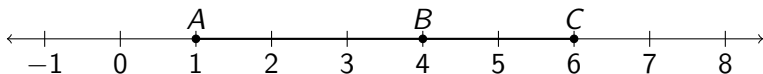
## Learning Target: I can solve for segment lengths

CCSS: HSG.CO.A.1 Know precise geometric definitions

1.2 Friday 9 September

Do Now: Given  $A(1)$ ,  $B(4)$ ,  $C(6)$ .

Write down  $AB$ ,  $BC$ , and  $AC$ .



Lesson: Segment addition, solving algebraic models

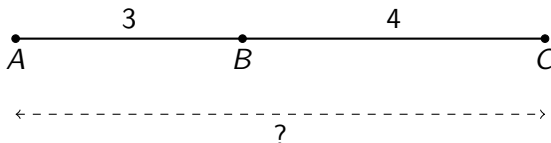
Homework: Problem set 1.2 (plus optional spicy worksheet)

# Lengths add up on a straight line

## Segment Addition Postulate

Shown *collinear* points  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ . Given  $AB = 3$ ,  $BC = 4$ .

Find  $AC$ .



Definitions:

**Collinear** Points that lie on the same straight line

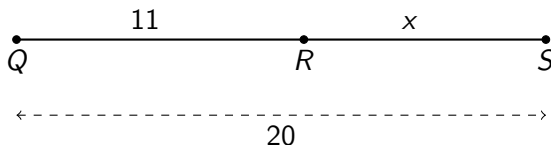
**Postulate** A rule that we assume is true

# Use a variable ( $x$ ) to represent an unknown value

An equation is a *model* of a situation

Given collinear points  $Q$ ,  $R$ ,  $S$ , with  $QR = 11$ ,  $QS = 20$ .

Find  $RS$ .



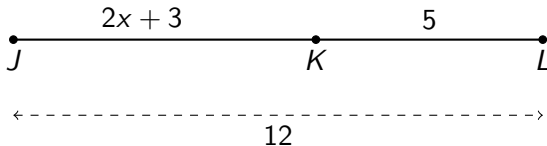
1. How would you check your answer?
2. Which equation represents the situation?

$$11 + x = 20 \qquad x = 20 - 11$$



## Step-by-step modeling

Given  $\overline{JKL}$ ,  $JK = 2x + 3$ ,  $KL = 5$ ,  $JL = 12$ . Find  $x$ .

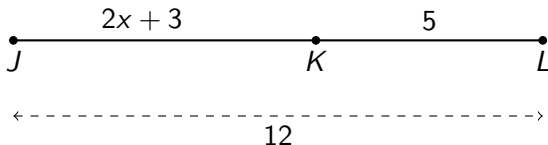


1. Write down an equation to represent the situation.
2. Solve for  $x$ .
3. Check your answer.

The diagram may be given, or you may have to sketch it

Write the steps in your notebook

Given  $\overline{JKL}$ ,  $JK = 2x + 3$ ,  $KL = 5$ ,  $JL = 12$ . Find  $x$ .



$$JK + KL = JL$$

$$(2x + 3) + 5 = 12$$

$$2x + 8 = 12$$

$$2x = 4$$

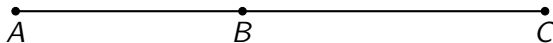
$$x = 2$$

$$2(2) + 3 + 5 = 12?$$

1. Sketch and label the situation
2. Write a geometric equation
3. Substitute algebraic values
4. Solve for  $x$
5. Answer the question
6. **Check** your answer

Mark the diagram, find  $x$ , answer  $AB = ?$

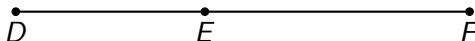
Given  $\overline{ABC}$ ,  $AB = 3x - 7$ ,  $BC = x + 5$ ,  $AC = 14$ .



Find  $AB$ .

## More practice: Solve an equation with $x$ on both sides

Given  $\overrightarrow{DEF}$ ,  $DE = x + 1$ ,  $EF = 9$ ,  $DF = 3x$ . Find  $DE$ .



# Lengths in a straight line add up

Check your notebook for completeness

## Segment Addition Postulate

Mathematics is constructed of fundamental rules or postulates, and basic objects like points, lines, and numbers.

Vocabulary:

**Collinear** Points that lie on the same straight line

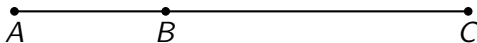
**Postulate** A rule that we assume is true (also called *axioms*)

**Modeling** Using an equation (algebra) to represent a situation in a simplified way

**Check** Substitute the value of  $x$  into the equation to test whether it is correct

## Spicy: Fractional *coefficients*

Given  $\overline{ABC}$ ,  $AB = \frac{1}{2}x$ ,  $BC = x$ ,  $AC = 21$ . Find  $x$ .



**Term** An expression representing a number, for example  $\frac{1}{2}x$

**Variable** The unknown value represented by a letter ( $x$ )

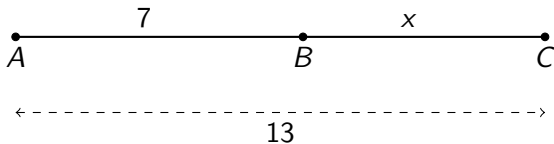
**Coefficient** The fixed number in front of the variable. (e.g.  $\frac{1}{2}$ )

## Learning Target: I can use geometric conventions

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Do Now: Given collinear points  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $C$ , with  $AB = 7$ ,  $AC = 13$ .



1. Circle the equation that most simply represents the situation.

$$7 + x = 13$$

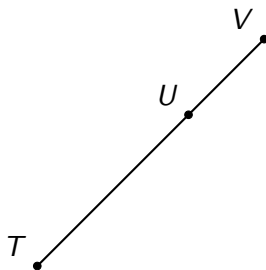
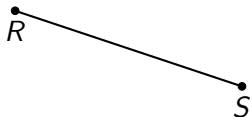
$$x = 13 - 7$$

2. Find  $BC$ .

Write down an example of each geometric object.

Use proper notation.

1. point
2. line segment
3. endpoint
4. three collinear points

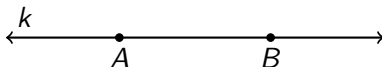


5. Given  $TU = 1.4$ ,  $UV = 0.6$ . Find  $TV$ . (label the diagram first)

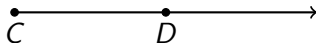


## More definitions: lines, rays, planes

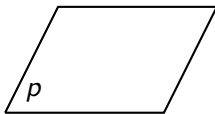
A *line* extends infinitely in both directions,  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$ .  
(sometimes labeled with a small letter, for example, line  $k$ )



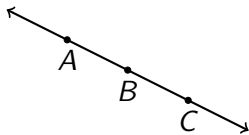
A *ray* has one endpoint and extends infinitely in one direction,  $\overrightarrow{CD}$ .



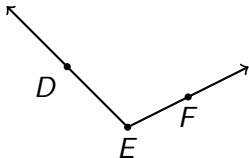
A *plane* is flat and extends infinitely in two directions,  $p$ .



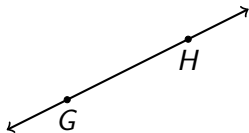
*Opposite rays* are collinear rays with a common endpoint.



$\overrightarrow{BA}$  and  $\overrightarrow{BC}$  are opposite rays.



These rays do not make a straight line.

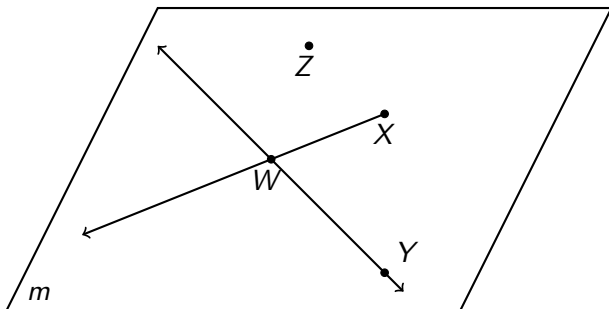


The rays  $\overrightarrow{GH}$  and  $\overrightarrow{HG}$  do not share a common endpoint.

## Several objects are shown in a plane

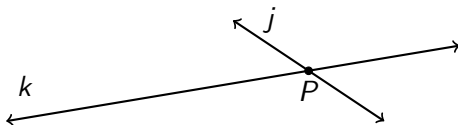
Circle true or false

1. T F The name of the plane is  $m$ .
2. T F The line  $\overleftrightarrow{WY}$  is in the plane.
3. T F The ray  $\overrightarrow{WX}$  is shown in the plane.
4. T F Points  $W$ ,  $X$ , and  $Z$  are collinear.
5. T F  $\overleftrightarrow{WY}$  and  $\overleftrightarrow{YW}$  are the same line.

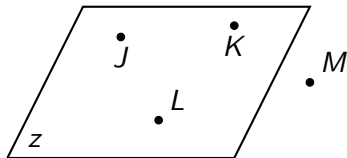


## More definitions: intersections, coplanar

Two lines *intersect* if they cross. Their common point is the *intersection*. (shown here, lines  $j$  and  $k$  intersect at point  $P$ )



*Coplanar* means to lie in the same plane. Three points are always coplanar, but four points may not be.



# Learn and practice using formal language and notation

**Line** An infinite collection of points extending straight in both directions indefinitely,  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$  or  $l$

**Ray** An endpoint and half of a straight line extending away from the endpoint,  $\overrightarrow{JK}$

**Plane** A flat surface extending infinitely in two dimensions,  $p$

**Opposite rays** Collinear rays with a common endpoint.

**Coplanar** Points or objects all in the same plane

**Intersection** Where two lines cross, the common point

Spicy: Which is the more efficient method,  
*distribute* or multiply both sides by 3?

$$\frac{2}{3}(x + 5) = 4$$

$$\frac{2}{3}(x + 5) = 4$$

**Distribute** Multiply both terms in parentheses by the coefficient

**Numerator** The top of a fraction (i.e.  $p$  in  $\frac{p}{q}$ )

**Denominator** The bottom of a fraction (i.e.  $q$  in  $\frac{p}{q}$ )

**LCD** Converting to the *Lowest Common Denominator* is the most efficient way to add fractions

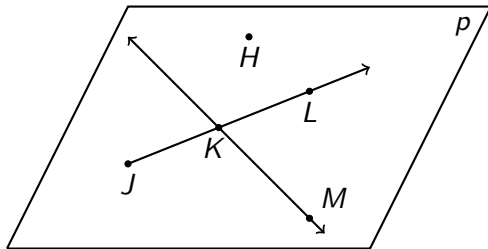
# Learning Target: I can *bisect* a length

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Do Now: Circle or mark each object in the plane

1. The point  $H$
2. The ray  $\overrightarrow{JL}$
3. The name of the plane shown

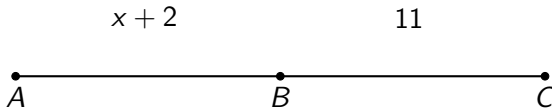


Lesson: Midpoint, congruence, bisection

The point  $B$  *bisects* the segment  $\overline{AC}$

Point  $B$  is in the exact middle between  $A$  and  $C$

Given  $AB = x + 2$ ,  $BC = 11$ . Find  $x$ .



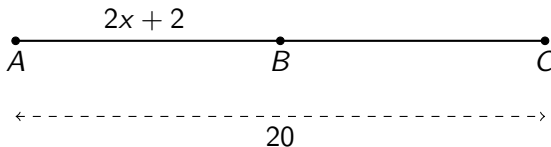
Hint: The line segment is split into two equal lengths.



## The *midpoint* of a line segment

Given  $\overline{ABC}$ , with  $AB = 2x + 2$ ,  $AC = 20$ .  $AB = BC$

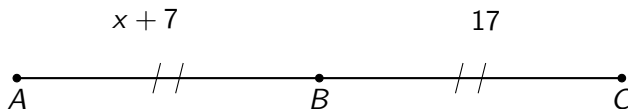
Find  $x$ .



# A *bisector* creates two line segments with the same length

*Congruent* line segments are the same length

Given point  $B$  is the midpoint of  $\overline{AC}$ , with  $AB = x + 7$ ,  $BC = 17$ .  
Find  $x$ .



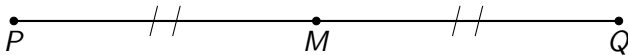
The *midpoint* or *bisector* of a line segment divides it exactly in half.

*Congruent* means equal in length,  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{BC}$  (also  $AB = BC$ )

Mark congruent segments in diagrams with cross “*hash*” marks.

## Check your notes

$M$  bisects  $\overline{PQ}$



**Bisect** Divide exactly in half

**Midpoint** The point in the exact middle of a line segment

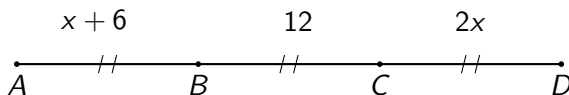
**Congruent** Equal in length or measure.  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{BC}$

**Hash marks** Mark congruent segments with small crossways lines (also called “tick” marks)

## Spicy: *Trisect* a segment into three congruent parts

Points  $B$  and  $C$  trisect segment  $\overline{AD}$  with segment lengths as shown.

Find  $x$ .



**Trisect** Divide exactly in three equal parts

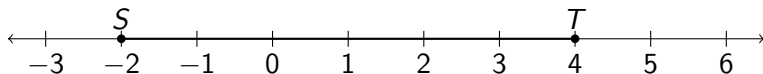
**Partition** Cut into parts (not necessarily evenly)

# Learning Target: I can work with objects having congruent parts

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Do Now: Given  $\overline{ST}$  with  $S(-2)$  and  $T(4)$



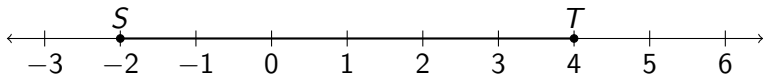
What is the length of the segment  $\overline{ST}$ ? Show your work as an equation.

Lesson: Perimeter, congruent line segments in rectangles & isosceles triangles

## Negative number practice on a number line

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Given  $\overline{ST}$  with  $S(-2)$  and  $T(4)$ , as shown on the number line.



What is the length of the segment  $\overline{ST}$ ? Show your work as an equation.

Solution

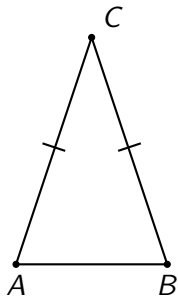
$$ST = 4 - (-2) = 6$$

Why is “minus a negative” the same as add a positive?

## An *isosceles* triangle has two congruent sides

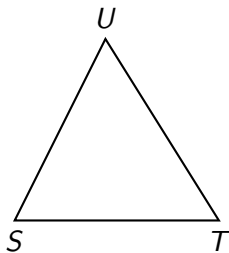
Given isosceles  $\triangle ABC$ . Which two sides are congruent?

Write your answer using symbols (i.e. two segments and  $\cong$ )



On the diagram mark the congruent line segments with tick marks.

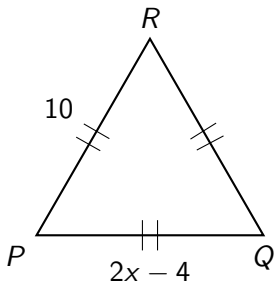
Given isosceles  $\triangle STU$  with  $\overline{ST} \cong \overline{TU}$ .





An *equilateral* triangle has all three sides congruent

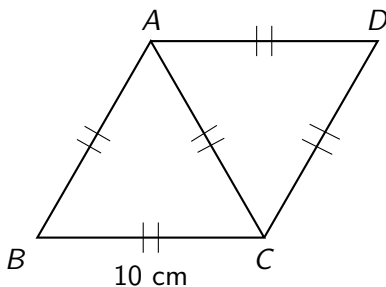
Given equilateral  $\triangle PQR$  with  $PQ = 2x - 4$ ,  $PR = 10$ . Find  $x$ .



The *perimeter* is the distance around the triangle. Find the perimeter of  $\triangle PQR$ .

## A *quadrilateral* has four sides

Given two *adjacent* equilateral  $\triangle$ s,  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle ACD$ . All sides measure 10 cm.



Find the perimeter of the quadrilateral  $ABCD$ .

# Check your notes

**Equilateral** Triangle with all three sides congruent

**Isosceles** Triangle having two sides of the same length

**Scalene** Triangle without any sides of matching lengths

**Quadrilateral** A four-sided figure (examples: square, rectangle, parallelogram, rhombus, kite)

**Polygon** Objects with multiple sides (e.g. triangle, quadrilateral, pentagon, hexagon)

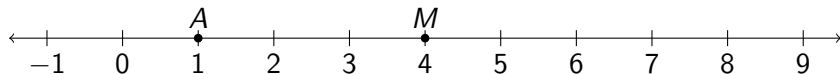
**Perimeter** The total length around a figure (all sides added)

**Adjacent** “next to”, two things that are side by side

## Spicy: Given the midpoint, find an end point

Points  $A(1)$ ,  $M(4)$ , and  $B$  lie on a numberline.  $M$  bisects  $\overline{AB}$ .

Find  $B$ .



# Learning Target: I can collaborate in review

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Do Now: Given the points  $X$  and  $Y$ , draw  $\overrightarrow{YX}$ .

(careful! which direction does it go?)

$\dot{X}$

$\dot{Y}$

Lesson: Roundtable quiz review

# Groupwork review for quiz tomorrow

“Roundtable” of four students, with four topics assigned

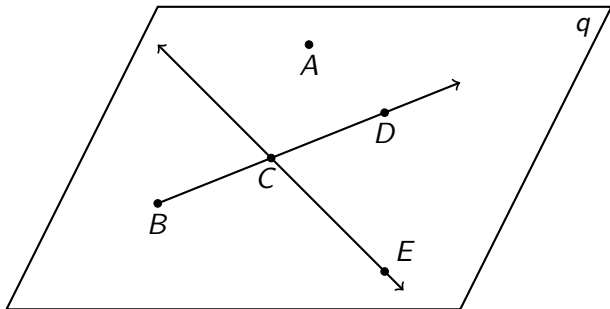
## Geometry skills to study / teach

1. Conventions: terminology, notation, diagramming
2. Modeling situations with algebra
3. Perimeter and special shapes:
  - ▶ Scalene, isosceles, and equilateral  $\triangle$ s
  - ▶ Squares, rectangles, parallelograms, trapezoids, rhombuses, kites (quadrilateral side  $\cong$ s will be marked)
4. Solving algebraic equations for one variable

# 1. Identify each item.

Example of Topic 1: Conventions: terminology, notation, diagramming

1. The point  $A$
2. The ray  $\overrightarrow{BD}$
3. The name of the plane



## 2. Write down an equation to represent the situation

Example of Topic 3: Modeling situations with algebra

Given  $M$  is the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$ ,  $AM = 4x + 2$ ,  $AB = 20$ .

*First mark the diagram with hash marks and values.*



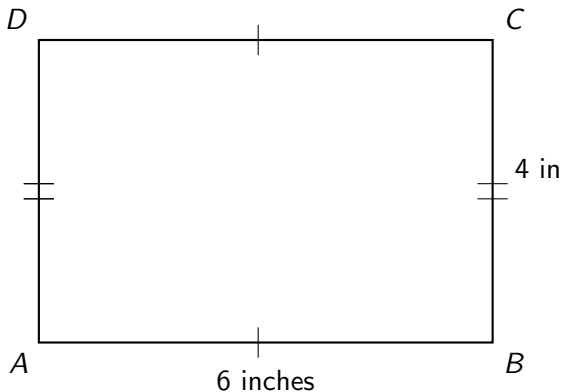
*Sometimes you will not be asked to solve the equation.*



### 3. Find the perimeter of the rectangle $ABCD$

Example of Topic 2: Perimeter and special triangles and quadrilaterals

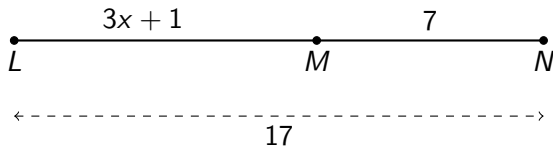
Given  $AB = 6$  inches,  $BC = 4$  inches.



## 4. Solve for $x$

Example of Topic 4: Solving algebraic equations for one variable

Given  $\overline{LMN}$ ,  $LM = 3x + 1$ ,  $MN = 7$ ,  $LN = 17$ .



$$(3x + 1) + 7 = 17$$

*You must check the solution.*

# Learning Target: I can change units of length

CCSS: HSG.CO.A.1 Know precise geometric definitions

1.7 Friday 16 September

Do Now: Mike is six feet tall. How many inches is that?

Conversion: 1 foot = 12 inches

Exit note quiz today

# Multiply by *conversion factors* to change units

reference: [Wikipedia Dimension analysis](#)

Mike is six feet tall. How many inches is that?

$$H = 6 \text{ feet} \times \frac{12 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ foot}} = 72 \text{ inches}$$

**Conversion factor** is a ratio of units equal to one, for example,

$$\frac{12 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ foot}} = 1$$

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$$L = 100 \text{ yards} \times \frac{3 \text{ feet}}{1 \text{ yard}} = 300 \text{ feet}$$

Each conversion factor ratio has two forms:

$$\frac{1 \text{ yards}}{3 \text{ feet}} = \frac{3 \text{ feet}}{1 \text{ yards}} = 1$$

## Cancel units when choosing correct conversion factor

reference: NY State Regents Exam formula sheet

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$$H = 69 \text{ inches} \times \frac{1 \text{ meter}}{39.37 \text{ inches}} = 1.7526 \dots \text{ meter}$$

Select the ratio with inches in the denominator:

$$\frac{39.37 \text{ inches}}{1 \text{ meter}} = \frac{1 \text{ meter}}{39.37 \text{ inches}} = 1$$