

### 6.1 Classwork: Midpoint formula

1. Given  $\overleftrightarrow{AB}$  as shown on the number line, with  $A = 1$  and  $B = 7$ .

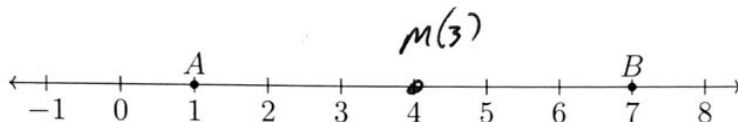
(a) Find the length  $AB$ , writing an equation

$$l = 7 - 1 = 6$$

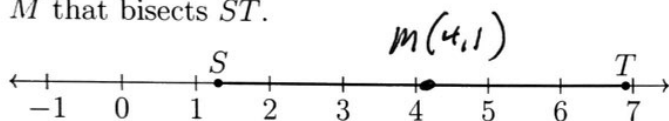
(b) What is half the length?

$$l/2 = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

(c) Mark and label the midpoint  $M$  between  $A$  and  $B$



2. Given  $S(1.3)$  and  $T(6.9)$ , as shown on the number line. Mark and label the midpoint  $M$  that bisects  $\overline{ST}$ .



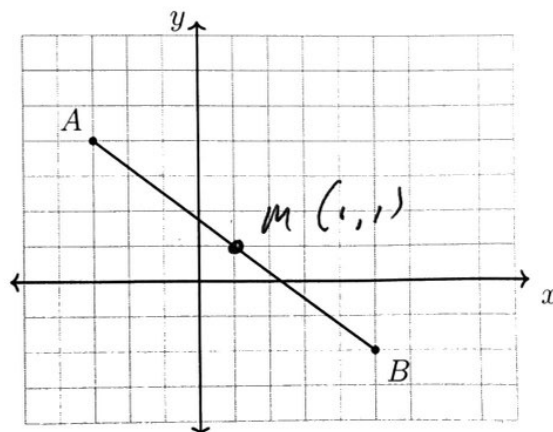
$$\begin{aligned} M &= \frac{1.3 + 6.9}{2} \\ &= \frac{8.2}{2} \\ &= 4.1 \end{aligned}$$

### The midpoint formula

Given  $A(x_A, y_A)$ ,  $B(x_B, y_B)$ , midpoint  $M = \left( \frac{x_A + x_B}{2}, \frac{y_A + y_B}{2} \right)$

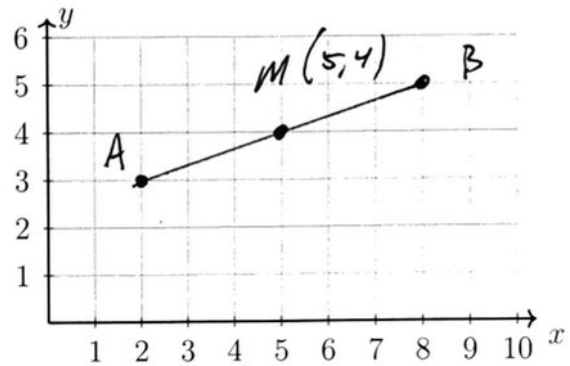
3. In the diagram below,  $\overline{AB}$  has endpoints with coordinates  $A(-3, 4)$  and  $B(5, -2)$ . Find the coordinates of the midpoint  $M$  of  $\overline{AB}$ . Mark and label it on the graph.

$$\begin{aligned} M &= \left( \frac{-3 + 5}{2}, \frac{4 + (-2)}{2} \right) \\ &= \left( \frac{2}{2}, \frac{2}{2} \right) \\ &= (1, 1) \end{aligned}$$



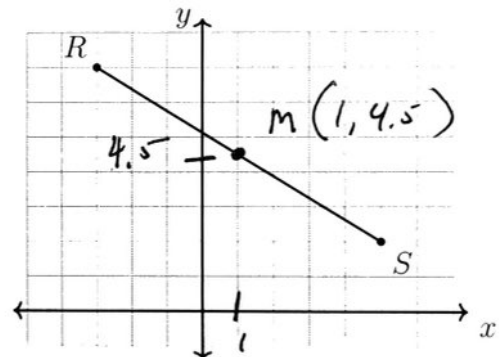
4. On the graph below, draw  $\overline{AB}$ , with  $A(2,3)$  and  $B(8,5)$ , labeling the end points. Determine and state the coordinates of the midpoint  $M$  of  $\overline{AB}$  and mark and label it on the graph.

$$M = \left( \frac{2+8}{2}, \frac{3+5}{2} \right) \\ = (5, 4)$$



5. Find the coordinates of the midpoint  $M$  of  $\overline{RS}$ ,  $R(-3,7)$  and  $S(5,2)$ . Mark and label it on the graph.

$$M = \left( \frac{-3+5}{2}, \frac{7+2}{2} \right) \\ = \left( 1, \frac{9}{2} \right)$$



6. On the graph below, draw  $\overline{AB}$ , with  $A(1,2)$  and  $B(7,4)$ , labeling the end points. Determine and state the coordinates of the midpoint  $M$  of  $\overline{AB}$  and mark and label it on the graph.

$$M = \left( \frac{1+7}{2}, \frac{2+4}{2} \right) \\ = (4, 3)$$

