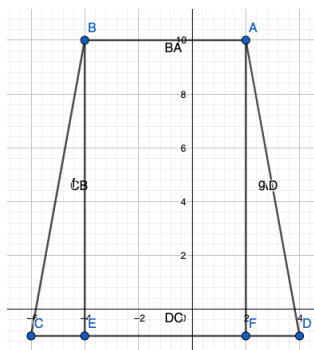


# The Quadrilateral Detective

## Case 2



### Quadrilateral: Isosceles Trapezoid

$ABCD$  is a quadrilateral, as it has four sides.

$AB$  and  $CD$  are parallel, as they have the same slope of 0.

$BC$  and  $AD$  have a length of  $5\sqrt{5}$  (distance formula)

$ABCD$  is an **isosceles trapezoid** as it has  $\cong$  bases ( $BC$ ,  $AD$ ) and one pair of parallel sides ( $CD$ ,  $AB$ ).

**Area: 88 units<sup>2</sup>**

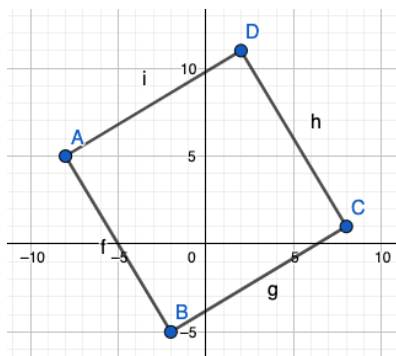
I added auxiliary lines  $BE$  and  $AF$ .

The area of rectangle  $ABEF$  is  $6 * 11$ , or 66.

The area of triangles  $CEB$  and  $AFD$  are 22.

Adding these numbers results in **88**, which is the area of this trapezoid.

## Case 3



### Quadrilateral: Square

All line segments' lengths are  $\sqrt{136}$  (distance formula)

$AB$  and  $CD$  have slopes of  $-5/3$  (slope formula)

$BC$  and  $DA$  have slopes of  $3/5$  (slope formula)

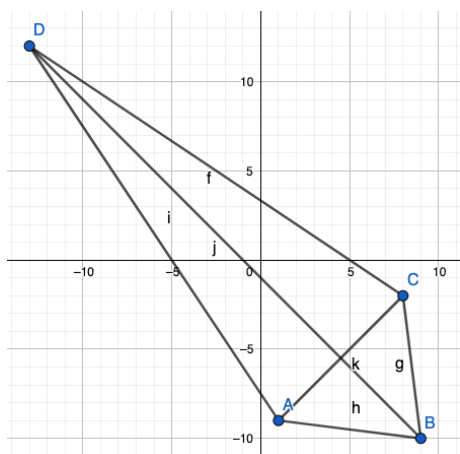
All angles are right angles, as perpendicular lines have negative reciprocal slopes.

$ABCD$  is a square as it has 4 right angles and 4 congruent angles.

**Area: 136 units<sup>2</sup>**

$\sqrt{136} * \sqrt{136} = 136$

## Case 4



### Quadrilateral: Kite

$AB$  and  $BC$  are  $\sqrt{65}$  in length (distance formula).

$CD$  and  $DA$  are  $7\sqrt{13}$  in length (distance formula).

The slope of line  $BD$  is  $-1$  (slope formula).

The slope of line  $AC$  is  $1$  (slope formula).

Because these are negative reciprocals of each other, the diagonals ( $AC$  and  $BD$  are perpendicular).

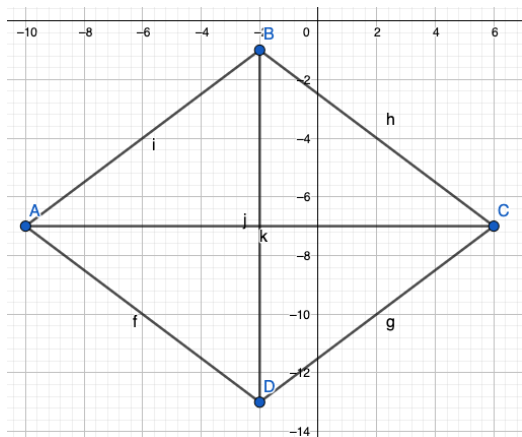
As this shape has two sets of  $\cong$  sides and perpendicular diagonals, it is a **kite**.

### Area: $154 \text{ units}^2$

$BD$  has a length of  $31.112698$ , while  $AC$  has a length of  $9.899495$  (distance formula).

The kite has an area of  **$154 \text{ units}^2$**  (kite area formula).

## Case 5



### Quadrilateral: Rhombus

All sides are  $\cong$  at  $10$  units in length.

$AB$  and  $CD$  have a slope of  $3/4$ , while  $BC$  and  $DA$  have slopes of  $-3/4$ .

This means that  $AB/CD$  and  $BC/DA$  are parallel, as they share slopes.

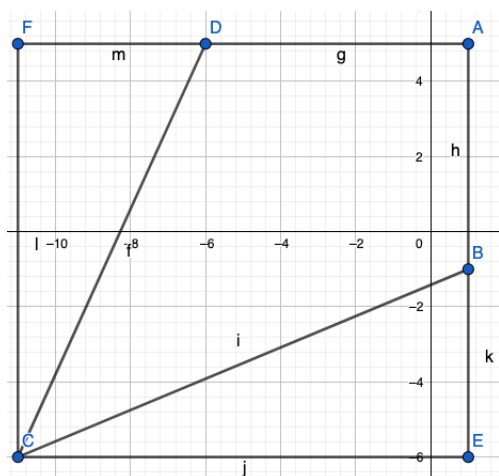
As this shape has  $2$  parallel sets of lines and has  $4$  congruent sides, it is a **rhombus**.

### Area: $96 \text{ units}^2$

$BD = 12$  and  $AC = 16$  (distance formula).

The rhombus has an area of  **$96 \text{ units}^2$**  (rhombus area formula).

## Case 6



### Quadrilateral: Parallelogram

$AD$ ,  $BC$ ,  $CD$ , and  $DA$  all have different lengths and slopes.

This shape does not meet all requirements of any special quadrilaterals, therefore it is a plain **quadrilateral**.

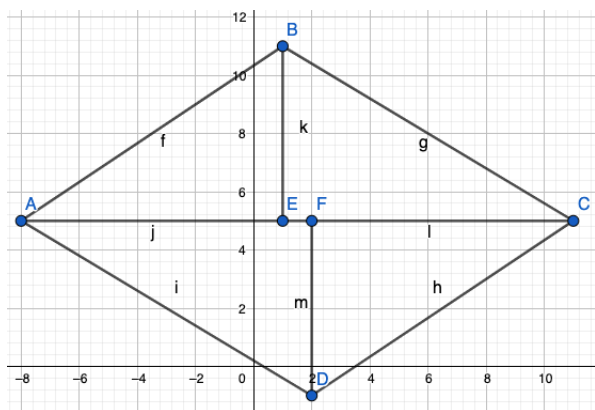
**Area: 74.5 units<sup>2</sup>**

Rectangle  $FACE$  has an area of 132 ( $11 \times 12$ )

Calculating the area of triangle  $FDC$  results in 27.5, while the area of triangle  $CEB$  is 30.

Taking away the areas of these triangles to find the true area of the given shape, we get **74.5 units<sup>2</sup>**.

## Case 7



### Quadrilateral: Parallelogram

$AB$  and  $DC$  have slopes of  $2/3$ , while  $BC$  and  $DA$  have slopes of  $-3/5$ .

Because they have the same slopes,  $AB/DC$  and  $BC/DA$  are parallel.

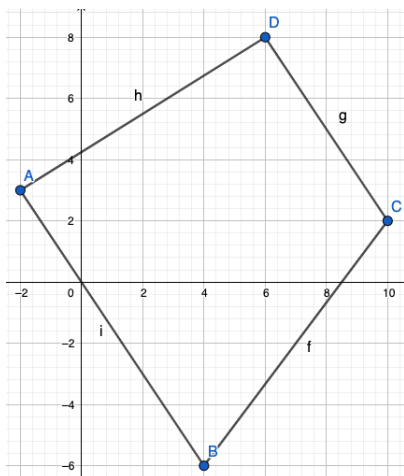
As  $ABCD$  has 4 sides and has 2 sets of parallel lines, it is a **parallelogram**.

**Area: 114 units<sup>2</sup>**

Triangles  $BAE$  and  $FCD$  have the area of 27, and triangles  $BEC$  and  $FAD$  have an area of 30.

Adding these areas up, the total area of this parallelogram is 114 units<sup>2</sup>.

## Case 8

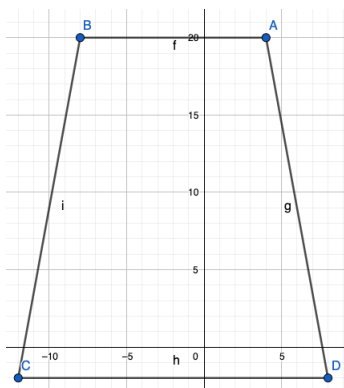


### Quadrilateral: Trapezoid

$DC$  and  $AB$  have the same slope of  $-3/2$

$ABCD$  is a **trapezoid** because it has 1 set of parallel lines ( $DC$  and  $AB$ ) and is a quadrilateral.

## Case 9



### Quadrilateral: Isosceles Trapezoid

A: (4, 20) B: (-8, 20) C: (-12, -1) D: (8, -2)

Through the distance formula, the length of  $AB$  is 12 units, the lengths of  $BC$  and  $AD$  are  $10\sqrt{5}$ , and the length of  $CD$  is 20.

In Case 2's shape, the length of  $AB$  was 6 units, the lengths of  $BC$  and  $AD$  were  $5\sqrt{5}$ , and the length of  $CD$  was 10.

Here, we can see that these lengths all share the same ratio between Case 2 and 9's shapes: 1 : 2.

This means that dilation would cause these two shapes to perfectly match.

$AB$  and  $CD$  are parallel, as they have the same slope of 0.

In addition,  $ABCD$  is an **isosceles trapezoid**, just like Case 2, as it has  $\cong$  bases ( $BC$ ,  $AD$ ) and one pair of parallel sides ( $CD$ ,  $AB$ ).

Because all these sides share the same ratios and class of quadrilateral, these shapes are similar.