



# Chapter 8: Quadrilaterals

## ◆ What is a Quadrilateral?

 A quadrilateral is a polygon with 4 sides and 4 angles.  
Examples: Square, Rectangle, Rhombus, Parallelogram, Trapezium, Kite

 Sum of all interior angles of any quadrilateral =  $360^\circ$

## ◆ Types of Quadrilaterals & Their Properties

Type	Key Properties
Parallelogram	Opposite sides equal, opposite angles equal, diagonals bisect each other
Rectangle	All angles $90^\circ$ , opposite sides equal, diagonals are equal & bisect each other
Rhombus	All sides equal, opposite angles equal, diagonals bisect at $90^\circ$
Square	All sides equal, all angles $90^\circ$ , diagonals are equal & bisect at $90^\circ$
Trapezium	Only one pair of opposite sides is parallel
Kite	Two pairs of adjacent sides equal, one diagonal bisects the other at $90^\circ$

### **Note:**


- In any parallelogram, diagonal divides it into two congruent triangles
- Midpoint theorem: Line joining midpoints of two sides of a triangle is parallel to the third side and half of it

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## **Important Theorems**


### **A quadrilateral is a parallelogram if:**

- Opposite sides are equal
- Opposite angles are equal
- Diagonals bisect each other
- One pair of opposite sides is equal and parallel

 The quadrilateral formed by joining midpoints of sides of any quadrilateral is a parallelogram


 **In rectangle:** Diagonals are equal

 **In rhombus:** Diagonals bisect at  $90^\circ$

 **In square:** Diagonals are equal & perpendicular

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## **Multiple Choice Quick Practice**

 Example:

Q: If  $\angle BOC = 90^\circ$  and  $\angle BDC = 50^\circ$  in a parallelogram, then  $\angle OAB = ?$



 Answer:  $40^\circ$

Q: A quadrilateral with angles in ratio 3:7:6:4  $\rightarrow$  Total =  $360^\circ$



Solve to find each angle and the type (e.g., trapezium)

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## **Reasoning-Based Short Questions**

 Can all angles of a quadrilateral be obtuse?  No! 4 obtuse angles  $> 360^\circ$

 Can a quadrilateral have 3 equal angles?  Possible — but not necessarily a parallelogram

 If diagonals of a quadrilateral bisect each other, is it a parallelogram?  Yes!

 If diagonals of a rectangle are perpendicular?  No, that's a rhombus or square

🧠 If a diagonal bisects one angle in a parallelogram → it also bisects the opposite angle ✓  
(proven by congruence)

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## 🔺 Application-Based Problems

📏 Joining midpoints of sides of rhombus → forms a rectangle

📏 Midpoints of square → again form a square

📏 In trapezium, line joining midpoints of non-parallel sides is parallel to parallel sides & half their sum

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## 🔹 Geometry HOTS & Constructions

🎯 In  $\triangle ABC$ , D & E are midpoints of AB and AC →  $DE \parallel BC$  and  $DE = \frac{1}{2} BC$

🎯 In parallelogram, if two opposite sides' midpoints are joined and extended, it forms another parallelogram

🎯 If diagonals of a quadrilateral are equal & perpendicular → joining midpoints → square

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## 📖 Long Answer Highlights

🧠 Show that the figure formed by joining midpoints of a rhombus is a rectangle:

- Use midpoints → prove opposite sides  $\parallel$  and equal
- Use diagonal properties → prove angle =  $90^\circ$

🧠 Prove: A diagonal of parallelogram bisecting one angle → also bisects opposite angle

- Use alternate angle theorem + congruence

🧠 Quadrilateral bisectors form a rectangle

- Use angle bisector properties and symmetry
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## 🔙 END Summary Table

Property/Concept	Key Result
Sum of interior angles (quadrilateral)	$360^\circ$
Parallelogram diagonals	Bisect each other
Rectangle diagonals	Equal and bisect each other
Rhombus diagonals	Bisect at $90^\circ$
Square diagonals	Equal, bisect at $90^\circ$
Midpoints joined (quadrilateral)	Forms a parallelogram
Diagonal bisecting one angle (parallelogram)	Also bisects opposite angle