



## Exercise 9.2



1. Find the ratio of the areas of similar figures if the ratio of their corresponding lengths are:

(i) 1 : 3    (ii) 3 : 4    (iii) 2 : 7

(iv) 8 : 9    (v) 6 : 5

**Sol:** If the ratio of the length is  $\frac{l_1}{l_2}$ . Then ratio of their areas is

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left(\frac{l_1}{l_2}\right)^2$$

(i) Ratio in length is  $1 : 3 = \frac{1}{3}$

Ratio in Areas =  $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 = \frac{1}{9}$

Ratio is 1 : 9

(ii) Ratio 3 : 4 or  $\frac{3}{4}$

Ratio in Areas =  $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 = \frac{9}{16}$

Ratio in 9 : 16

(iii) Ratio in length =  $2 : 7 = \frac{2}{7}$

Ratio in Areas =  $\left(\frac{2}{7}\right)^2 = \frac{4}{49}$

Ratio in 4 : 49

(iv) Ratio in length =  $8 : 9$  or  $\frac{8}{9}$

Ratio in Areas =  $\left(\frac{8}{9}\right)^2 = \frac{64}{81}$



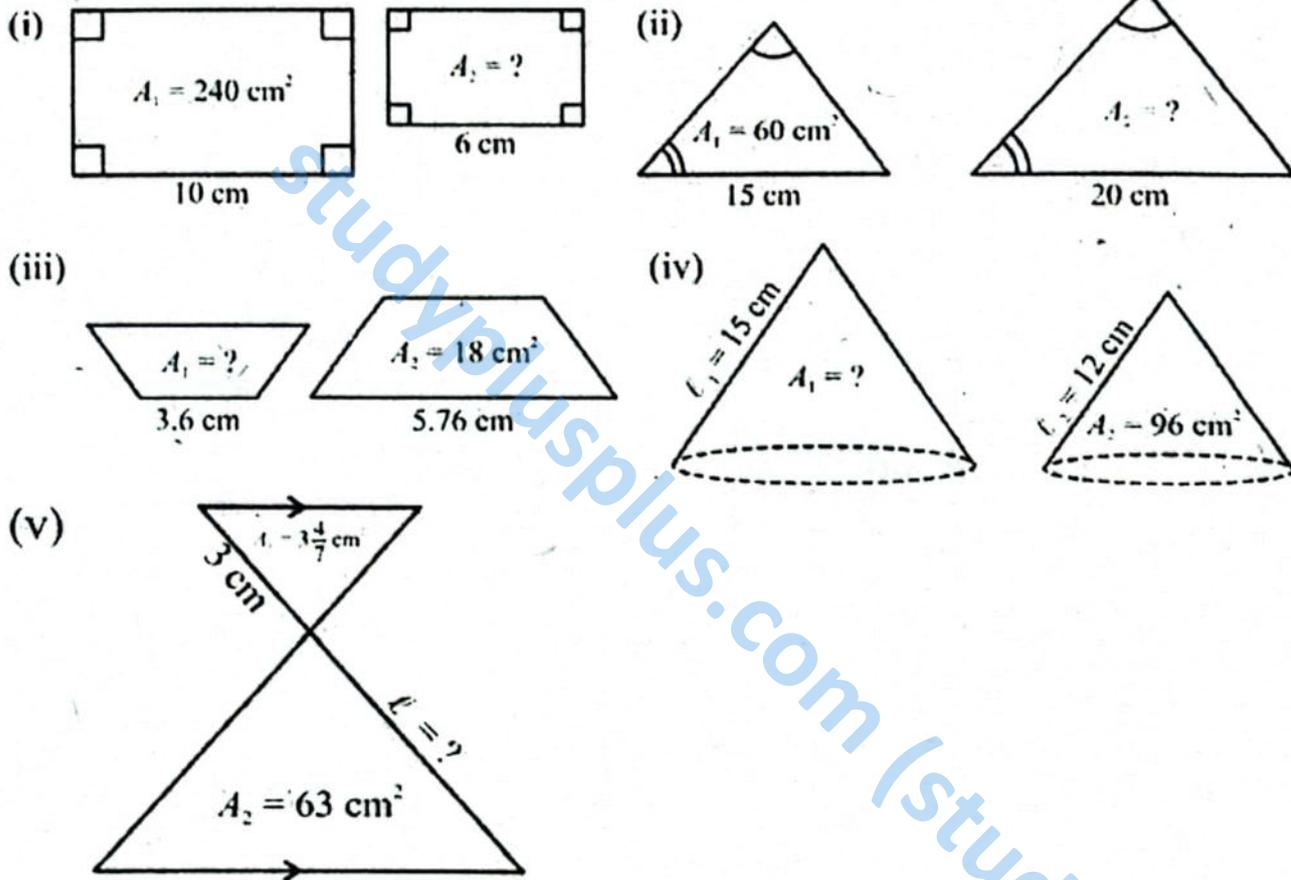
$$\text{Ratio} = 64 : 81$$

(v) Ratio in length =  $6 : 5$  or  $\frac{6}{5}$

$$\text{Ratio in Areas} = \left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^2 = \frac{36}{25}$$

$$\text{Ratio} = 36 : 25$$

2. Find the unknowns in the following figures:



**Sol:** Ratio between lengths =  $\frac{10}{6}$

(i) 1<sup>st</sup> Area  $A_1 = 240$

2<sup>nd</sup> Area  $A_2 = ?$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left(\frac{10}{6}\right)^2$$

$$\frac{240}{A_2} = \frac{100}{36}$$

$$A_2 = \frac{240 \times 36}{100} \text{ cm}^2$$



$$= 86.4 \text{ cm}^2$$

(ii)  $l_1 = 15, l_2 = 20$

$$A_1 = 60, \quad A_2 = ?$$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left(\frac{l_1}{l_2}\right)^2 = \left(\frac{15}{20}\right)^2 = \frac{225}{400}$$

$$\frac{60}{A_2} = \frac{225}{400}, \quad A_2 = \frac{60 \times 400}{225} \text{ cm}^2$$

$$A_2 = 106.67$$

(iii)  $l_1 = 3.6, A_1 = ?$

$$A_2 = 18 \text{ cm}^2, \quad l_2 = 5.76$$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left(\frac{l_1}{l_2}\right)^2$$

$$A_1 = \left(\frac{l_1}{l_2}\right)^2 \cdot A_2$$

$$= \left(\frac{3.6}{5.76}\right)^2 \times 18$$

$$A_1 = (.643)^2 \times 18 \\ = 7.44$$

(iv)  $A_1 = ?; l_1 = 15, l_2 = 12$

$$A_2 = 96$$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left(\frac{l_1}{l_2}\right)^2 \therefore A_1 = \left(\frac{15}{12}\right)^2 \times 96$$

$$A_1 = 107.88$$

(v)  $A_1 = 3\frac{4}{7} \text{ cm}^2, \quad A_2 = 63 \text{ cm}^2$

$$l_2 = 3 \text{ cm}, \quad l_1 = ?$$

$$\left(\frac{l_1}{l_2}\right)^2 = \frac{\frac{25}{7}}{63} = \frac{25}{7 \times 63}$$



$$\frac{l_1^2}{9} = \frac{25}{7 \times 63}$$

$$l_1^2 = \frac{25 \times \cancel{9}}{7 \times \cancel{63}} = \frac{25}{7 \times 7}$$

$$l_1 = \sqrt{\frac{25}{49}} = \frac{5}{7} \text{ cm}$$

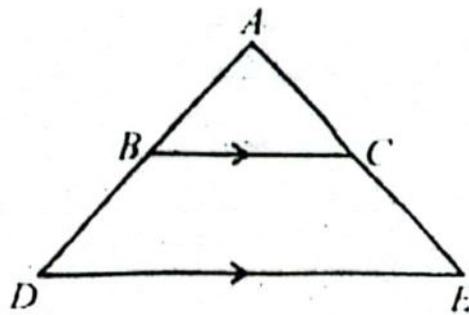
3. Given that area of  $\triangle ABC = 36 \text{ cm}^2$  and

$$m\overline{AB} = 6 \text{ cm},$$

$$m\overline{BD} = 4 \text{ cm}. \text{ Find}$$

(a) the area of  $\triangle ADE$

(b) the area of trapezium  $BCED$



**Sol:** Area of  $\triangle ABC = 36 \text{ cm}^2 = A_1$ .

$$\text{Measure of } AB = l_1 = 6 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Measure of } BD = l_2 = 4 \text{ cm}$$

Find (a) Area of  $\triangle ADE$  (b) Area of Trap.  $DBCE$ .

$$\text{Length of } AD = l_2$$

$$= AB + BD$$

$$= 6 + 4 = 10$$

$$\therefore \overline{BC} \parallel \overline{DE}$$

$$\therefore \triangle ABC \approx \triangle ADE$$

$$\text{Hence } \frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left[ \frac{l_1}{l_2} \right]^2$$

$$\frac{36}{A_2} = \left( \frac{6}{10} \right)^2 = \frac{36}{100}$$

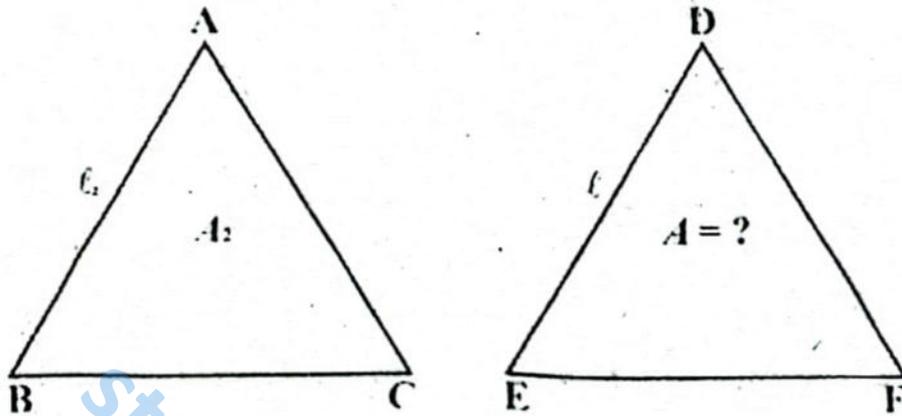
$$\therefore A_2 = \frac{36 \times 100}{36} = 100$$

$$\text{Now, } A_1 + BCED = 100$$



$$\therefore \text{Area } BCED = 100 - 36 = 64$$

4. Given that  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$  are similar, with a scale factor of  $k = 3$ . If the area of  $\triangle ABC$  is  $50 \text{ cm}^2$ , find the area of triangle  $\triangle DEF$ ?



**Sol:**  $l_1 = 3l_2$

$$A_2 = 50 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$A_1 = ?$$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left(\frac{l_1}{l_2}\right)^2 = (3)^2$$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left(\frac{3l_2}{l_2}\right)^2 = (3)^2$$

$$A_1 = 9 A_2 = 9 \times 50 = 450 \text{ cm}^2$$

5. Quadrilaterals  $ABCD$  and  $EFGH$  are similar, with a scale factor of  $k = \frac{1}{4}$ . If the area of quadrilateral  $ABCD$  is  $64 \text{ cm}^2$ , find the area of quadrilateral  $EFGH$ .

**Sol:** Area  $ABCD = 64 \text{ cm}^2 = A_1$

$$\text{Area } EFGH = A_2 = ?$$

$$\text{Scale factor } k = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\therefore \frac{A_1}{A_2} = k^2$$



$$\therefore A_1 = \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 = A_2$$

$$\text{or } A_2 = 16 A_1 = 64 \times 16$$
$$A_2 = 1024 \text{ cm}^2$$

6. The areas of two similar triangles are  $16\text{cm}^2$  and  $25\text{cm}^2$ .  
What is the ratio of a pair of corresponding sides?

**Sol:**  $A_1 = 16 \text{ cm}^2$ ;  $A_2 = 25 \text{ cm}^2$

Let the corresponding lengths be  $l_1$  and  $l_2$

$$\left(\frac{l_1}{l_2}\right)^2 = \frac{16}{25} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{l_1}{l_2} = \frac{4}{5}$$

Hence, scale factor =  $\frac{4}{5}$ .

7. The areas of two similar triangles are  $144\text{cm}^2$  and  $81\text{cm}^2$ . If the base of the large triangle is  $30\text{cm}$ , find the corresponding base of the smaller triangle.

**Sol:** Area  $A_1 = 144$   
 $A_2 = 81$

Let the K factor =  $x = \frac{l_1}{l_2}$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = x^2$$

or  $x^2 = \frac{144}{81}$

$$x = \frac{12}{9} = \frac{l_1}{l_2}$$

Hence, scale factor is  $\frac{12}{9}$ .

$$l_1 = 30$$

$$\therefore \frac{l_1}{l_2} = \frac{12}{9} \quad \text{or} \quad l_2 = \frac{9l_1}{12}$$



or

$$l_2 = \frac{3 \cancel{9} \times 30^{15}}{12 \cancel{4} 2} = \frac{45}{2}$$

$$= 22.5 \text{ cm}$$

8. A regular heptagon is inscribed in a larger regular heptagon and each side of the larger heptagon is 1.7 times the side of the smaller heptagon. If the area of the smaller heptagon is known to be  $100 \text{ cm}^2$ , find the area of the larger heptagon.

**Sol:** Let the side of the smaller heptagon =  $l_1 =$

side of the larger heptagon =  $1.7 l_1$

$$l_2 = 1.7 l_1$$

Area of smaller heptagon  $A_1 = 100$

Then Area of bigger heptagon =  $A_2$

$$\frac{A_1}{A_2} = \left( \frac{l_1}{l_2} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{l_1}{1.7 l_1} \right)^2 = \left( \frac{1}{1.7} \right)^2$$

$$A_2 = \frac{A_1}{\left( \frac{1}{1.7} \right)^2} = 100 \times (1.7)^2$$

$$= 100 \times 2.89$$

$$= 289 \text{ cm}^2$$

