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# Triangles

#### Checkpoint

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**1.** Name the interior angles of the triangle ABC given below. Also, write the measurements of the interior angles.



- **Sol.** The interior angles of the triangle are  $\angle ABC = 70^{\circ}, \angle BCA = 60^{\circ} \text{ and } \angle CAB = 50^{\circ}.$ 
  - 2. What is the sum of
    - (*a*) the three interior angles of a triangle?
    - (*b*) the three exterior angles of a triangle?
- **Sol.** (*a*) The sum of the three interior angles of a triangle is 180°, by angle sum property of the triangle.
  - (*b*) The sum of the three exterior angles of a triangle is 360°.
  - Can you draw a triangle ABC with sides AB = 3 cm, BC = 4 cm and CA = 8 cm? If not, explain why.
- **Sol.** No, since in this case AB + BC = (3 + 4) cm = 7 cm < CA. This is because the sum of any two sides of a triangle is greater than its third side.
  - 4. What is the relation between the three sides AB, BC and CA of an equilateral triangle ABC?
- **Sol.** For an equilateral triangle, all the three sides are of equal length, hence, AB = BC = CA.

5. In  $\triangle ABC$ , if  $\angle CAB = 120^{\circ}$  and  $\angle ABC = 30^{\circ}$ ,



- (*a*) what is the measurement of  $\angle ACB$ ?
- (*b*) what is the relation between the sides AB and AC?
- (c) what kind of triangle is it (i) an equilateral triangle, (ii) an isosceles triangle, (iii) a scalene triangle, (iv) an obtuse-angled triangle, (v) an acute-angled triangle or (vi) a right-angled triangle?
- **Sol.** (*a*) By angle sum property of a triangle, we know that

$$\angle ABC + \angle CAB + \angle ACB = 180^{\circ}$$
$$\Rightarrow \quad 30^{\circ} + 120^{\circ} + \angle ACB = 180^{\circ}$$

 $\angle ACB = 180^{\circ} - 150^{\circ} = 30^{\circ}$ 

which is the required measurement of  $\angle ACB$ .

(b) Since  $\angle ABC = \angle ACB = 30^{\circ}$ 

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$$AB = AC$$

which defines their relation.

- (c) (i) No, since for an equilateral triangle, all the three sides are of equal length.
  - (*ii*) Yes, since the two base angles are equal, hence it is an isosceles triangle.
  - (*iii*) No, since the length of three sides are unequal.
  - (*iv*) Yes, since one angle is 120° which is obtuse, hence it is an obtuse-angled triangle.

- (*v*) No, since all the angles of this triangle are not acute.
- (vi) No, since no angle of this triangle is of 90°.
- 6. If in  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle BAC = 10^{\circ}$  and  $\angle ACB = 15^{\circ}$ , what is the relation between the sides AB, BC and AC of  $\triangle ABC?$

Sol.



In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

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 $\angle BAC + \angle ACB + \angle ABC = 180^{\circ}$ 

[By angle sum property of a triangle]

$$\Rightarrow$$
 10° + 15° +  $\angle ABC = 180°$ 

 $\angle ABC = 180^{\circ} - 25^{\circ} = 155^{\circ}$ 

Since  $\angle BAC < \angle ACB < \angle ABC$ ,

 $\therefore$  BC < AB < AC [since the side opposite to the smaller angle of a triangle is less than the side opposite to the greater angle]

- 7. In a right triangle ABC,  $\angle A = 90^{\circ}$  and  $\triangle ABC$  is also an isosceles triangle with AB = AC, what are the measures of  $\angle ABC$  and  $\angle ACB$ ?
- **Sol.** It is given that in  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\angle A = 90^{\circ}$  and AB = AC.

90° *.*..  $\angle ABC = \angle ACB = \theta$  (say) Since  $\angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^{\circ}$ [By angle sum property of a triangle]  $90^{\circ} + \theta + \theta = 180^{\circ}$  $\Rightarrow$  $2\theta = 180^{\circ} - 90^{\circ} = 90^{\circ}$  $\Rightarrow$  $\theta = \frac{90^\circ}{2} = 45^\circ$  $\Rightarrow$  $\angle ABC = \angle ACB = 45^{\circ}$ *.*... are the required measures of the angles.

- 8. Can you construct a unique triangle ABC with
  - (a)  $\angle ABC = 95^\circ$ ,  $\angle ACB = 69^\circ$  and  $\angle BAC = 16^\circ$ ? (b)  $\angle ABC = 70^\circ$ ,  $\angle ACB = 80^\circ$  and  $\angle BAC = 40^\circ$ ? Explain why.
- Sol. (a) No, since when three angles are given, we can draw infinite number of similar triangles,

although the sum of three angles in each case is 180°.

(b) No, since  $\angle ABC + \angle ACB + \angle BAC = 70^{\circ} + 80^{\circ} + 40^{\circ}$  $= 190^{\circ} > 180^{\circ}.$ 

Hence, in this case, not a single triangle can be constructed.

- 9. In each of the following problems, the measures of the three angles of a triangle are given. In each case, identify the type of triangle on the basis of three angles.
  - (a)  $60^{\circ}, 60^{\circ}, 60^{\circ}$ (b) 75°, 15°, 90°
  - (c) 130°, 20°, 30° (d)  $45^{\circ}, 95^{\circ}, 40^{\circ}$
- **Sol.** (*a*) Since each angle is acute being less than  $90^{\circ}$ , hence, the triangle is an acute-angled triangle.
  - (*b*) In this case, one of the angles is 90° which is a right angle. Hence, the triangle is a rightangled triangle.
  - (c) In this case, one of the angles is 130° which is obtuse, since it greater than 90°. Hence, the triangle is obtuse-angled triangle.
  - (d) In this case, one of the angle is  $95^{\circ}$  which is also obtuse, since it is greater than 90°. Hence, the triangle is obtuse-angled triangle.
- 10. Find the angles of a triangle, which are in the ratio 3 : 5 : 10.
- **Sol.** Let the three angles be  $(3k)^{\circ}$ ,  $(5k)^{\circ}$  and  $(10k)^{\circ}$ where *k* is a non-zero positive constant.
  - By angle sum property of a triangle, we have .... 3k + 5k + 10k = 180

$$\Rightarrow \qquad 18k = 180$$

 $k = \frac{180}{18} = 10$ 

Hence, the required angles are  $(3 \times 10)^\circ$ ,  $(5 \times 10)^\circ$ and  $(10 \times 10)^{\circ}$ , i.e. 30°, 50° and 100°.

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#### **Multiple-Choice Questions**

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**1.** In the given figure, if  $\angle AED = \angle ACB$ , then DB is equal to



( <i>a</i> ) 4.5 cm	( <i>b</i> ) 4 cm
( <i>c</i> ) 3 cm	( <i>d</i> ) 3.5 cm

**Sol.** (*a*) 4.5 cm

Given that D and E are two points on AB and AC of  $\triangle$ ABC, respectively such that  $\angle$ AED =  $\angle$ ACB.

Also, AD = 3 cm, AE = 4 cm, EC = 6 cm.

To find DB.

Given that  $\angle AED = \angle ACB$ . But these two are corresponding angles with respect to line segments DE and BC and their transversal AC. Hence, DE || BC.

By the basic proportionality theorem, we have

	$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{3}{\text{DB}} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$
$\Rightarrow$	2 DB = 9
$\Rightarrow$	$DB = \frac{9}{2} = 4.5$

Hence, the required length of DB is 4.5 cm.

 In the given figure, ∠PQR = ∠PRS. If PR = 6 cm and PS = 2 cm, then PQ is equal to



(c) 18 cm	( <i>d</i> ) 20 cm

**Sol.** (*c*) 18 cm

Given that S is a point on the side PQ of a triangle PQR such that  $\angle$  PRS =  $\angle$  PQR.



Also, PR = 6 cm and PS = 2 cm. To find the length of PQ. In  $\Delta$ PQR and  $\Delta$ PRS, we have

$$\angle PQR = \angle PRS$$
 [Given]

 $\angle QPR = \angle RPS$  [Common]

By AA criterion of similarity, we have

$$\therefore \qquad \Delta PQR \sim \Delta PRS$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{PR}{PS} = \frac{QR}{RS} = \frac{PQ}{PR} \quad [By BPT]...(1)$$

Now, from (1), we get

$$\frac{PR}{PS} = \frac{PQ}{PR}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{6}{2} = \frac{PQ}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad 2PQ = 36$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad PQ = \frac{36}{2}$$

$$= 18$$

- $\therefore$  Required length of PQ is 18 cm.
- 3. In the given figure, AD = 2 cm, DB = 3 cm, DE = 2.5 cm and  $DE \parallel BC$ . The value of *x* is



[CBSE 2023 Basic]

**Sol.** (*c*) 6.25 cm

 $\Rightarrow$ 

In  $\triangle ADE$  and  $\triangle ABC$ ,

 $\angle ADE = \angle ABC$ 

 $\angle AED = \angle ACB$ 

[Corresponding angles]

.:. By AA criterion of similarity,

$$\Delta ADE \sim \Delta ABC$$

Corresponding sides of similar triangles are proportional,

$$\frac{AD}{AB} = \frac{DE}{BC} = \frac{AE}{AC}$$
$$\frac{2}{2+3} = \frac{2.5}{BC}$$
$$x = 2.5 \times \frac{5}{2}$$
$$= 6.25 \text{ cm}$$

4. In the given figure, DE  $\parallel$  BC. If AD = 3 cm, AB = 7 cm and EC = 3 cm, then the length of AE is



### **Very Short Answer Type Questions**

5. In the given figure, P and Q are points on the sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle$ ABC such that AP = 3.5 cm, PB = 7 cm, AQ = 3 cm, QC = 6 cmand PQ = 4.5 cm, find BC. [CBSE 2008]



Sol. Given that P and Q are two points on the sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle$ ABC. Also, AP = 3.5 cm, PB = 7 cm, AQ = 3 cm, QC = 6 cmand PQ = 4.5 cm.



To find the length of BC.

We see that	$\frac{\mathrm{AP}}{\mathrm{PB}} = \frac{3.5}{7} = \frac{1}{2}$
and	$\frac{AB}{QC} = \frac{3}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$
<i>.</i>	$\frac{AP}{PB} = \frac{AQ}{QC}$

... By the converse of basic proportionality theorem, we have PQ || BC.

 $\angle AQP = corresponding \angle ACB$ ....

and  $\angle APQ$  = corresponding  $\angle ABC$ 

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$$\therefore$$
  $\Delta APQ \sim \Delta ABC [By AA similarity]$ 

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AP}{AB} = \frac{AQ}{AC} = \frac{PQ}{BC} \qquad [By BPT]$$
$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{3.5}{3.5+7} = \frac{3}{3+6} = \frac{4.5}{BC}$$
$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{1}{3} = \frac{4.5}{BC}$$
$$\Rightarrow \qquad BC = 4.5 \times 3 = 13.5$$

Hence, the required length of BC is 13.5 cm.

- 6. In  $\triangle ABC$ , D and E are the points on the sides AB and AC respectively such that DE || BC. If AD = 2.4 cm, AE = 3.2 cm and CE = 4.8 cm, find BD. [CBSE SP 2011]
- Sol. Given that D and E are two points on the sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle ABC$  such that DE || BC.



.... By basic proportionality theorem, we have

	$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$
⇒	$\frac{2.4}{\text{DB}} = \frac{3.2}{4.8}$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{2.4}{\text{DB}} = \frac{2}{3}$

$$\Rightarrow 2DB = 2.4 \times 3 = 7.2$$
$$\Rightarrow DB = \frac{7.2}{2} = 3.6$$

Hence, the required length of DB is 3.6 cm.

7. In the given figure, ABC is a triangle in which DE  $\parallel$  BC. If AD = x, DB = x - 2, AE = x + 2 and EC = x - 1, then find the value of x.



Sol.



[Given]

By Basin Proportionality Theorem,

$$\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$
$$\frac{x}{x-2} = \frac{x+2}{x-1}$$
$$x(x-1) = (x-2) (x+2)$$
$$x^2 - x = x^2 - 4$$
$$-x = -4$$
$$x = 4$$

8. In ΔABC, D and E are the points on the sides AB and AC respectively such that AD × EC = AE × DB. Prove that DE || BC.

#### [CBSE SP 2010, 2011]

**Sol.** Given that D and E are the points on the sides AB and AC respectively such that  $AD \times EC = AE \times DB$ .

To prove that  $DE \parallel BC$ .

We have

 $\Rightarrow$ 



... By the converse of basic proportionality theorem, we get

Hence, proved.

9. In the given figure, AB || DC. Find the value of *x*. [CBSE SP 2010]



**Sol.** Given that ABCD is a trapezium in which AB  $\parallel$  DC. Let the two diagonals AC and DB intersect each other at O such that AO = 5, CO = 4x - 2, BO = 2x - 1 and DO = 2x + 4. To find the value of *x*.



In  $\triangle AOB$  and  $\triangle COD$ , we have

∠BAO = ∠DCO

[Alternate angles, 
$$\therefore$$
 AB || DC]

$$\angle ABO = \angle CDO$$
 [Alternate  $\angle s$ ]

$$\Delta AOB \sim \Delta COD$$

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[By AA similarity]

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AO}{CO} = \frac{BO}{DO}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{5}{4x-2} = \frac{2x-1}{2x+4}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{5}{2(2x-1)} = \frac{2x-1}{2(x+2)}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{5}{2x-1} = \frac{2x-1}{x+2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad 5x+10 = (2x-1)^2 = 4x^2 - 4x + 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad 4x^2 - 9x - 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad 4x^2 + 3x - 12x - 9 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad x(4x+3) - 3(4x+3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad (x-3) (4x+3) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad x = 3$$
or
$$\qquad 4x + 3 = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad x = -\frac{3}{4}$$

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Now, when  $x = -\frac{3}{4}$ , OB = 2x - 1 becomes

negative which is not possible.

 $\therefore$  *x* = 3 which is the required value.

#### Short Answer Type Questions

- **10.** If three or more parallel lines are intersected by two transversals, prove that the intercepts made by them on the transversals are proportional.
- **Sol.** Given that *l*, *m*, *n* are three lines parallel to each other and these lines are intersected by two transversals *p* and *q* at A, C, E and B, D, F respectively forming the intercepts AC, CE, BD and DF.



To prove that

$$\frac{AC}{CE} = \frac{BD}{DF}$$

*Construction*: Draw the line segment AH parallel to the line q meeting the lines m and n at G and H respectively.

·:	AB    GD	[Given]
and	AG ∥ BD	[By construction]
Hence, the	figure ABDG is a	parallelogram.
	AG = BD	(1)
Again,	GD ∥ HF	[Given]

and  $GH \parallel DF$  [By construction]  $\therefore$  GDFH is a parallelogram.

$$GH = DF \qquad \dots (2)$$

Now, in 
$$\triangle AEH$$
, CG || EH

: By basic proportionality theorem, we have

$$\frac{AC}{CE} = \frac{AG}{GH} = \frac{BD}{DF}$$
[From (1) and (2)]

 $\Rightarrow$ 

Hence, proved.

 Prove that any line parallel to parallel sides of a trapezium divides the non-parallel sides proportionally. [CBSE SP 2003, 2006, 2010]

 $\frac{AC}{CE} = \frac{BD}{DF}$ 

**Sol.** Given that ABCD is a trapezium with AB || DC. EF is a line segment parallel to AB and DC.



*Construction*: We join AC intersecting EF at G. In  $\triangle$ ADC, we have

EG || DC

: By basic proportionality theorem, we have

$$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{AG}{GC} \qquad \dots (1)$$

Again, in  $\triangle$ ACB, we have

 $\therefore$  By basic proportionality theorem, we have

$$\frac{AG}{GC} = \frac{BF}{FC} \qquad \dots (2)$$

 $\therefore$  From (1) and (2), we have

$$\frac{AE}{ED} = \frac{BF}{FC}$$

Hence, proved.

**12.** In the given figure, DE || AC and DF || AE.



#### Long Answer Type Questions

13. In the given figure, D is a point on AB and E is a point on AC of a triangle ABC such that DE || BC. If AD : DB = 1 : 2, AB = 18 cm and AC = 30 cm, find AE, EC, AD and DB.



**Sol.** Given that D and E are points on the sides AB and AC respectively of a triangle ABC such that DE || BC.



Also,  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{1}{2}$ , AB = 18 cm and AC = 30 cm. Let AD = *x* cm and AE = *y* cm

Then from the figure,

DB = (18 - x) cmEC = (30 - y) cm

and

To find AE, EC, AD and DB.

In  $\triangle ABC$ , DE  $\parallel BC$ 

: By basic proportionality theorem, we have

30 - y = 2y

3y = 30

 $y = \frac{30}{3} = 10$ 

$$\frac{AE}{EC} = \frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{1}{2}$$
 [Given]  
$$\frac{y}{30 - y} = \frac{x}{18 - x} = \frac{1}{2}$$
 ...(1)

[Given]

 $\Rightarrow$ 

 $\therefore$  From (1), we have

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and

 $\Rightarrow$ 

18 - x = 2x

$$3x = 18$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \qquad x = \frac{18}{3} = 6$$

Hence, AE = y cm = 10 cm, EC = (30 - y) cm = (30 - 10) cm = 20 cm, AD = x cm = 6 cm and DB = (18 - x) cm = (18 - 6) cm = 12 cm.

:. Required length of AE, EC, AD and DB are 10 cm, 20 cm, 6 cm and 12 cm respectively.

- 14. The side BC of  $\triangle$ ABC is bisected at D. O is any point on AD. BO and CO are produced to meet AC and AB at E and F respectively and AD is produced to X so that D is the mid-point of OX. Prove that AO : AX = AF : AB = AE : AC and show that EF || BC.
- **Sol.** Given that  $\triangle$ ABC is a triangle, D is a point on BC such that BD = DC. O is any point on the median AD.

BO produced meets AC at E and CO produced meets AB at F as shown in the figure. AD is produced to a point X such that OD = DX.



To prove that

(*i*)  $\frac{AO}{AX} = \frac{AF}{AB} = \frac{AE}{AC}$  and (*ii*)  $EF \parallel BC$ .

Construction: We join FE, BX and CX.

(*i*) We see that in the quadrilateral OBXC, OD = DX and BD = DC, i.e. the two diagonals OX and BC bisect each other at D. Hence, the quadrilateral OBXC is a parallelogram.

	OC ∥ BX
i.e.,	OF ∥ BX
and	OB ∥ CX
i.e.,	OE    CX

Now, in  $\triangle AFO$  and  $\triangle ABX$ ,

$$\angle AFO = \angle ABX$$

[Corresponding 
$$\angle$$
s, FO || BX]

... By AA criterion of similarity,

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#### $\Delta AFO \sim \Delta ABX$

Since, corresponding sides of similar triangles are proportional,

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AF}{AB} = \frac{AO}{AX} \qquad \dots (1)$$

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Similarly, 
$$\triangle AEO \sim \angle ACX$$
  
 $\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AE}{AC} = \frac{AO}{AX} \qquad ...(2)$ 

From (1) and (2)

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AF}{AB} = \frac{AE}{AC} = \frac{AO}{AX}$$

Hence, proved.

(*ii*) In 
$$\triangle ABX$$
, FO || BX  

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AF}{FB} = \frac{AO}{OX} \qquad [By BPT] ...(3)$$
In  $\triangle ACX$ , EO || CX  

$$\Rightarrow \frac{AE}{EC} = \frac{AO}{OX} \qquad [By BPT] ...(4)$$

From (3) and (4),

$$\frac{AF}{FB} = \frac{AE}{EC}$$

 $\Rightarrow$  In  $\triangle$ ABC, FE divides AB and AC in same ratio.

.: By converse of basic proportionality theorem,

FE || BC

Hence, proved.

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#### **Multiple-Choice Questions**

1. In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle PQR$ ,  $\angle A = \angle P$  and  $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{2}{3}$ ,

then BC : QR is equal to

(a)	3:2	(b)	1:2
(C)	2:1	( <i>d</i> )	2:3

**Sol.** (*d*) 2 : 3

Given that in  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle PQR$ ,

and



 $\angle A = \angle P$ 

... By SAS similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta PQR$$

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$$\frac{BC}{QR} = \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{2}{3}$$
$$BC : QR = 2 : 3$$

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2. In  $\triangle ABD$ ,  $\angle DAB = 90^{\circ}$ . C is a point on the hypotenuse BD such that AC  $\perp$  BD. Then  $AB^2$  is equal to

(a)  $BC \times DC$  (b)  $BD \times CD$ (c)  $BC \times BD$  (d)  $AD \times AC$ 

**Sol.** (c)  $BC \times BD$ 

Given that  $\Delta DAB$  is a right-angled triangle, with  $\angle DAB = 90^{\circ}$ . C is a point on the hypotenuse BD such that AC  $\perp$  DB.

To find AB<sup>2</sup> in terms of other two sides of the triangles.



In  $\Delta$ DAB and  $\Delta$ ACB, we have

$$\angle DAB = \angle ACB = 90^{\circ}$$
  
 $\angle ABD = \angle CBA$  [Common]

:. By AA similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta DAB \sim \Delta ACB$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{DA}{AC} = \frac{DB}{AB} = \frac{AB}{CB} \qquad \dots (1)$$

 $\therefore$  From (1), we have

 $AB^2 = DB \times CB$ 

i.e., 
$$AB^2 = BC \times BD$$

**3.** The sides of two similar triangles are in the ratio 4 : 7. The ratio of their perimeters is

(c) 16:49 (d) 7:4 [CBSE 2023 Basic]

**Sol.** (*a*) 4 : 7

$$= \frac{4x + 4y + 4z}{7x + 7y + 7z}$$
$$= \frac{4(x + y + z)}{7(x + y + z)} = \frac{4}{7}$$

4. In two triangles  $\Delta PQR$  and  $\Delta ABC$ , it is given that  $\frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{PQ}{PR}$ . For these two triangles to be similar, which of the following should be true?

(a)  $\angle A = \angle P$ (b)  $\angle B = \angle Q$ (c)  $\angle B = \angle P$ (d) CA = QR



In  $\triangle PQR$  and  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $\frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{PQ}{PR}$ [Given]  $\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{PR}$ i.e.,  $\frac{BA}{PQ} = \frac{BC}{PR}$ 

For  $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle ABC$ , the included angles should also be equal, that is,  $\angle B = \angle P$ .

5. In the given figure, AB || PQ. If AB = 6 cm, PQ = 2 cm and OB = 3 cm, then the length of OP is



**Sol.** (*d*) 1 cm

In  $\triangle$ ABO and  $\triangle$ QPO,

 $\angle ABO = \angle QPO$  [Alternate angles]

[CBSE 2023 Standard]

 $\angle$ BAO =  $\angle$ PQO [Alternate angles]  $\angle$ AOB =  $\angle$ QOP

[Vert. opposite angles]

By AAA criterion of similarity,

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{ABO}{PQ} = \frac{BO}{OP}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad OP = \frac{BO}{AB} \times PQ$$

$$= \frac{3}{6} \times 2$$

$$= 1 \text{ cm}$$

6. If  $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle ABC$ ; PQ = 6 cm, AB = 8 cm and the perimeter of  $\triangle ABC$  is 36 cm, the perimeter of  $\triangle PQR$  is

(d) 64 cm

- (a) 20.25 cm (b) 27 cm
- (c) 48 cm

[CBSE 2023 Standard]



#### Very Short Answer Type Questions

- 7. In  $\triangle$ ABC, D and E are points on the sides AB and AC respectively such that DE || BC. If  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{3}{2}$  and AE = 4.8 cm, find EC. [CBSE SP 2011]
- **Sol.** Given that D and E are two points on the sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle$ ABC such that DE || BC,  $\frac{AD}{DB} = \frac{3}{2}$  and AE = 4.8 cm.

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To find the length of EC.

Since DE || BC, hence by the basic proportionality theorem, we have

	$\frac{AD}{=}$ $\frac{AE}{=}$
	DB EC
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{3}{2} = \frac{4.8}{2.2}$
	2 EC
$\Rightarrow$	$3 \text{EC} = 4.8 \times 2$
$\Rightarrow$	$EC = \frac{9.6}{3} = 3.2$
	0

Hence, the required length of EC is 3.2 cm.

- 8. X and Y are points on the sides PQ and PR respectively of a  $\triangle PQR$  such that PX = 3.5 cm, XQ = 14 cm, PY = 4.2 cm and YR = 16.8 cm, then state if XY || QR or not.
- Sol. Given that X and Y are two points on the sides PQ and PR respectively of a triangle PQR such that PX = 3.5 cm, XQ = 14 cm, PY = 4.2 cm and YR = 16.8 cm.



To test whether XY || QR, or not.

We have and

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$\underline{PY}$ =	4.2	_ 42	_
YR	16.8	168	
PX _	PY		
ХО	YR		

 $\therefore$  By the converse of the basic proportionality  $_{\Lambda}$ theorem, we get

 $\frac{PX}{XO} = \frac{3.5}{14} = \frac{35}{140} = \frac{1}{4}$ 

 $\frac{1}{4}$ 

#### XY || QR

9. ABC is an equilateral triangle with points D and E on sides AB and AC respectively such that DE || BC. If BC = 10 cm and  $\frac{AE}{EC} = \frac{1}{3} = \frac{AD}{DB}$ , then find the length of AE.

**Sol.** Given that  $\triangle$ ABC is an equilateral triangle with the side BC = 10 cm. Also, D and E are two points on the sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle$ ABC such the DE || BC.



Hence, the required length of AE is 2.5 cm.

- 10. P and Q are points on sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle ABC$ . If AP = 1 cm, PB = 2 cm, AQ = 3 cm and QC = 6 cm, show that BC = 3 PQ. [CBSE SP 2011]
- Sol. Given that P and Q are two points on the sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle$ ABC such that AP = 1 cm, PB = 2 cm, AQ = 3 cm and QC = 6 cm. To show that BC = 3PQ.



 $\Rightarrow$ 

 $\therefore$  PQ || BC, by the converse of the basic proportionality theorem.

In  $\triangle$ APQ and  $\triangle$ ABC, we have

$$\angle APQ = \angle ABC$$
  
[Corresponding  $\angle s$ ]  
 $\angle AQP = \angle ACB$   
[Corresponding  $\angle s$ ]

 $\angle PAQ = \angle BAC$  [Common]

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: By AAA similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta APQ \sim \Delta ABC$$

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 $\Rightarrow$ 

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$$\frac{1}{BC} = \frac{1}{AB} = \frac{1}{1+2} = \frac{1}{3}$$
$$BC = 3PQ$$

ΔP

Hence, proved.

**11.** In the given figure, A, B and C are points on OP, OQ and OR respectively such that AB || PQ and AC || PR. Show that BC || QR.



[CBSE 2023 Basic]

Sol. In  $\triangle OPQ$  and  $\triangle OAB$ ,

$$PQ \parallel AB$$
 [Given]

By Basic Proportionality Theorem,

$$\frac{\text{DA}}{\text{AP}} = \frac{\text{OB}}{\text{BQ}} \qquad \dots (1)$$

In  $\triangle OPR$  and  $\triangle OAC$ 

PR || AC [Given]

By Basic Proportionality Theorem,

$$\frac{DA}{AP} = \frac{OC}{CR} \qquad \dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2)

$$\frac{OB}{BQ} = \frac{OC}{CR}$$

By converse of Basic Proportionality Theorem, in  $\Delta OQR$  and  $\Delta OBC$ 

Hence, provide.

**12.** In the given figure,  $AP \perp AB$  and  $BQ \perp AB$ . If OA = 15 cm, BO = 12 cm and AP = 10 cm, then find the length of BQ.



[CBSE 2024 Basic]

**Sol.** In  $\triangle AOP$  and  $\triangle BOQ$ ,

$$\angle OAP = \angle OBQ = 90^{\circ}$$

[vert. opposite angles]

: By AA similarity criterion,

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AOP \sim ABOQ}{BQ} = \frac{AO}{BO}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad BQ = \frac{AP \times BO}{AO} \times \frac{10 \times 12}{15} \text{ cm}$$

$$= 8 \text{ cm}$$

$$\therefore \qquad BQ = 8 \text{ cm}$$

**13.** In the given figure, ABCD is a quadrilateral. Diagonal BD bisects ∠B and ∠D both. Prove that



[CBSE 2024 Standard]

(a) In $\triangle ABE$	) and $\Delta CBD$ .	
	$\angle ADB = \angle CDB$	[BD bisects ∠D]
<i>.</i>	∠ABD = ∠CBD	[BD bisects $\angle B$ ]
By AA simi	larity criterion,	
	$\Delta ABD \sim \Delta CBD$	
( <i>b</i> )	$\Delta ABD \sim \Delta CBD$	
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{AB}{CB} = \frac{DB}{DB}$	

 $\Rightarrow$  AB = BC

Sol.

#### Short Answer Type Questions

**14.** Prove that the diagonals of a trapezium divide each other proportionally.

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**Sol.** Given that ABCD is a trapezium such that AB || DC and the two diagonals AC and BD intersect each other at a point O.



To prove that

$$\frac{AO}{CO} = \frac{BO}{DO}$$

In  $\triangle AOB$  and  $\triangle COD$ , we have  $\angle AOB = \angle COD$ [Vertically opposite angles]  $\angle ABO = \angle CDO$ 

$$\angle BAO = \angle DCO [Alternate angles]$$

... By AAA similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta AOB \sim \Delta COD$$
$$\frac{AO}{CO} = \frac{BO}{DO}$$

Hence, proved.

 $\Rightarrow$ 

**15.** In the given figure, prove that (a)  $\triangle PRO \sim \triangle QSO$ 

(b) 
$$\frac{PO}{RO} = \frac{QO}{SO}$$

**Sol.** Given that two line segments RS and PQ intersect each other at a point O. Also, RP || QS.

To prove that

(a)  $\Delta PRO \sim \Delta QSO$ 

(b) 
$$\frac{PO}{RO} = \frac{QO}{SO}$$

(*a*) In  $\triangle$ PRO and  $\triangle$ QSO, we have

$$\angle PRO = \angle QSO$$

[Alternate angles, 
$$\therefore$$
 RP || QS]  
 $\angle$ ROP =  $\angle$ SOQ

[Vertically opposite angles]

... By AA similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta PRO \sim \Delta QSO$$

(*b*) From (*a*), we have

$$\frac{PO}{QO} = \frac{RO}{SO}$$
$$\frac{PO}{RO} = \frac{QO}{SO}$$

Hence, proved.

 $\Rightarrow$ 

**16.** In the given figure, CM and RN are respectively the medians of  $\triangle$ ABC and  $\triangle$ PQR. If  $\triangle$ ABC ~  $\triangle$ PQR, then prove that  $\triangle$ AMC ~  $\triangle$ PNR.

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By SAS similarity criterion,

 $\Delta$ AMC ~  $\Delta$ PNR [From (3) and (4)]

Hence, proved.

Sol.

17. In the given figure, E is a point on the side CB produced of an isosceles triangle ABC with AB = AC. If AD  $\perp$  BC and EF  $\perp$  AC, then prove that  $\triangle$ ABD ~  $\triangle$ ECF.



[CBSE 2023 Standard]

 $\angle ADB = \angle EFC = 90^{\circ}$  $\angle ECF = \angle ABD$ [AB = AC]By AA similarity criterion,  $\triangle ABD \sim \triangle ECF$ 

Hence, proved.

#### Long Answer Type Questions

18. In the given figure,  $\frac{QR}{QS} = \frac{QT}{PR}$  and  $\angle 1 = \angle 2$ . Prove that  $\triangle PQS \sim \triangle TQR$ 



[CBSE 2023 Basic]

Sol. In  $\triangle PQR$ ,

 $\angle 1 = \angle 2$ 

 $\Rightarrow \Delta PQR$  is an isosceles triangle.

$$PQ = PR \qquad \dots(1)$$

$$\frac{QR}{QS} = \frac{QT}{PR}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{QR}{QS} = \frac{QT}{QP} \qquad [From (1)] \dots(2)$$

In  $\triangle PQS$  and  $\triangle TQR$ 

$$\frac{QR}{QS} = \frac{QT}{QP} \qquad [From (2)]$$

$$\angle Q = \angle Q \qquad [Common]$$

$$\angle Q = \angle Q$$
 [Commor

.: By SAS similarity criterion,  $\Delta PQS \sim \Delta TQR$ 

Hence, proved.

- **19.** D is a point on the side BC of a triangle ABC such that  $\angle ADC = \angle BAC$ , prove that  $CA^2 = CB \cdot CD$ [CBSE 2023 Standard]
- **Sol.** In  $\triangle$ ABC and  $\triangle$ DAC,



.: By AA similarity criterion,

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{\Delta ABC}{CA} \approx \Delta DAC$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{CB}{CA} \approx \frac{CA}{CD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad CA^{2} \approx CB \cdot CD$$

**20.** Sides AB and AC and median AD of a  $\triangle$ ABC are respectively proportional to sides PQ and PR and median PM of  $\Delta$ PQR. Show that  $\Delta$ ABC ~  $\Delta$ PQR



[CBSE 2024 Basic]

[Given]



 $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM}$ Produce AD to E such that AD = DE. Join EC. Similarly, produce PM to N such that PM = MN.



In  $\triangle ABD$  and  $\triangle CDE$ ,

 $\angle ADB = \angle EDC$ 

[Vertically opposite angles]

BD = CD [AD is the median]

$$\therefore$$
 By SAS congruency criterion,

$$\Delta ABD \cong \Delta ECD$$

$$AB = EC$$
 [By CPCT] ...(1)

In the same manner, we can prove that

$$\Delta PQM \cong \Delta NRM$$
$$PQ = NR \qquad \dots (2)$$

Now we have,

$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM}$$

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$$\Rightarrow \frac{EC}{NR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AD}{PM}$$
[From (1) and (2)]
$$\Rightarrow \frac{EC}{NR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{2AD}{2PM}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{EC}{NR} = \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AE}{PN}$$

$$\therefore By SSS similarity criterion,$$

$$\Delta ACE \sim \Delta PRN$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle b = \angle d$$
Similarly, we can prove that
$$\angle a = \angle c$$

$$\therefore \angle a + \angle b = \angle c + \angle d$$

$$\Rightarrow \angle BAC = \angle QPR$$
...(3)
In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle PQR$ 

$$\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AC}{PR}$$
[Given]
$$\angle BAC = \angle QPR$$
[From (3)]

$$\therefore \qquad \Delta ABC \sim \Delta PQR \\ [By SAS similarity criterion]$$

- **21.** ABCD is a trapezium in which  $AB \parallel CD$ . If diagonals AC and BD intersect each other at E, and if  $\triangle AED \sim \triangle BEC$ , prove that BD = AC and AD = BC.
- **Sol.** Given that ABCD is a trapezium in which AB  $\parallel$  CD. The two diagonals AC and BD intersect each other at a point E. It is given that  $\triangle$ AED ~  $\triangle$ BEC.

To prove that BD = AC and AD = BC.



We have

 $\Delta AED \sim \Delta BEC$  [Given]

$$\frac{AE}{BE} = \frac{AD}{BC} = \frac{ED}{EC} \qquad \dots (1)$$

Also, since  $\angle AEB = \angle CED$ 

[Vertically opposite angles]

[Alternate angles, since AB || CD]

 $\therefore$  By AA similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta AEB \sim \Delta CED$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AE}{CE} = \frac{AB}{CD} = \frac{EB}{ED} \qquad \dots (2)$$

From (1), we have

$$\frac{AE}{BE} = \frac{ED}{EC} \qquad \dots (3)$$

From (2), we have

$$\frac{AE}{CE} = \frac{BE}{DE}$$
$$\frac{AE}{BE} = \frac{EC}{ED} \qquad \dots (4)$$

 $\therefore$  From (3) and (4), we have

$$\frac{ED}{EC} = \frac{EC}{ED}$$

$$\Rightarrow EC^{2} = ED^{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow EC = ED \dots(5)$$

 $\therefore$  From (3), we have

$$\frac{AE}{BE} = 1 \quad [\because \frac{EC}{ED} = 1, \text{ from (5)}]$$

$$\Rightarrow AE = BE \dots(6)$$
Now,
$$AC = AE + EC$$

$$= BE + ED$$

$$[From (5) \text{ and (6)}]$$

$$= BD$$
Hence,
$$AC = BD.$$

$$\therefore \text{ From (1),} \quad \frac{AD}{BC} = \frac{AE}{BE} = 1$$

$$[\because \text{ From (6), AE = BE]}$$

AD = BC

Hence, proved.

*.*..

....

**22.** In the given figure, PA, QB and RC are perpendicular to AC and if PA = *x*, BQ = *y* and CR = *z*, prove that



[CBSE 2024 Standard]

**Sol.** Given that PA, QB and RC are perpendiculars to the line segment ABC at the points A, B and C respectively. Also, PA = x, QB = z and RC = y. In  $\Delta$ BCQ and  $\Delta$ ACP,

$$\begin{array}{c} QB \parallel PA \\ \Delta BCQ \sim \Delta ACP \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad 1 - \frac{y}{z} = \frac{BC}{AC}$$

 $\therefore$  From (1) and (2), we have

	$\frac{y}{x} = 1 - \frac{y}{z}$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{1}{y} - \frac{1}{z}$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{1}{y} = \frac{1}{x} + \frac{1}{z}$

Hence, proved.

#### Higher Order Thinking \_\_\_\_\_ Skills (HOTS) Questions

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- **1.** If G be the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ , prove that  $AB^2 + BC^2 + CA^2 = 3(GA^2 + GB^2 + GC^2)$ .
- **Sol.** Given that G is the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ , AD is one of the medians of  $\triangle ABC$  so that AG : GD = 2 : 1.



To prove that

$$AB^{2} + BC^{2} + CA^{2} = 3(GA^{2} + GB^{2} + GC^{2})$$

Construction: Join GB and GC.

In  $\triangle ABC$ , since AD is a median, hence, we have

$$AB^2 + AC^2 = 2BD^2 + 2AD^2$$
 ...(1)

and in  $\Delta$ GBC, since GD is a median, hence, we have

$$GB^2 + GC^2 = 2BD^2 + 2DG^2$$
 ...(2)

Now, since G is the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$\therefore \text{ GA} = \frac{2}{3} \text{ AD and GD} = \frac{1}{3} \text{ AD} \qquad \dots (3)$$

...(2)

$$AB^{2} + AC^{2} + BC^{2} = 2BD^{2} + 2AD^{2} + 4BD^{2}$$
  
[:: BC = 2BD and from (1)]  
= 6BD^{2} + 2AD^{2} ...(4)  
Also, GB^{2} + GC^{2} + GA^{2}  
= 2BD^{2} + 2DG^{2} + (\frac{2}{3}AD^{2})  
[From (2) and (3)]  
= 2BD^{2} + 2 \times \frac{1}{9}AD^{2} + \frac{4}{9}AD^{2} [From (3)]

$$= 2 BD^{2} + \frac{2}{3} AD^{2}$$
  
⇒ 3(GA<sup>2</sup> + GB<sup>2</sup> + GC<sup>2</sup>) = 6 BD<sup>2</sup> + 2 AD<sup>2</sup> ...(5)  
∴ From (4) and (5), we have

$$AB^2 + AC^2 + BC^2 = 3 (GA^2 + GB^2 + GC^2)$$

Hence, proved.

- **2.** In  $\triangle PQR$ , the angle P is bisected by PX which meets QR in X. Y is a point in QR produced such that PY = XY. Prove that  $\triangle PRY \sim \triangle QPY$  and hence show that XY is a mean proportional between QY and RY, i.e. show that  $XY^2 = QY \times RY$ .
- **Sol.** Given that X is a point on the side QR of  $\triangle$ PQR such that PX is the bisector of  $\angle$ QPR. QR is produced to Y such that PY = XY. To prove that  $\triangle$ PRY ~  $\triangle$ QPY and XY<sup>2</sup> = QY × RY



Let  $\angle QPX = \angle RPX = \theta$  and  $\angle XPY = \phi$ 

Since PY = XY

$$\therefore \qquad \angle PXY = \angle XPY = \phi$$

$$\therefore$$
 In  $\triangle$  PXR

exterior  $\angle PRY = \theta + \phi = \angle QPY$  ...(1)

Now, in  $\triangle PRY$  and  $\triangle QPY$ , we have

$$\angle PRY = \angle QPY \qquad [From (1)]$$
$$\angle PYR = \angle QYP \qquad [Common]$$

... By AA similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta PRY \sim \Delta QPY$$

$$\therefore \qquad \frac{PR}{QP} = \frac{PY}{QY} = \frac{RY}{PY} \qquad \dots (2)$$

 $\therefore$  From (2), we have

$$\frac{PY}{QY} = \frac{RY}{PY}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad PY^2 = QY \times RY$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad XY^2 = QY \times RY \qquad [\because PY = XY]$$

Hence, proved.

3. D is a point on the side BC of  $\triangle ABC$  such that  $\frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$ . AD is produced to E so that  $\frac{AB}{AE} = \frac{AD}{AC}$ . Prove that  $\triangle BEC$  is isosceles.

**Sol.** Given that D is a point on the side BC of  $\triangle ABC$ such that  $\frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$ . AD is produced to E so that

$$\frac{AB}{AE} = \frac{AD}{AC}.$$



To prove that  $\triangle$ BEC is an isosceles triangle. *Construction*: Join EB and EC.

Since  $\frac{BD}{DC} = \frac{AB}{AC}$ , hence, by the converse of the

theorem of internal bisector of an angle, we have AD is the internal bisector of  $\angle BAC$ .

Let  $\angle BAD = \angle EAC = \theta$ 

Now, in  $\triangle$ BAD and  $\triangle$ EAC, we have

$$\angle BAD = \angle EAC = \theta$$
 and  $\frac{AB}{AE} = \frac{AD}{AC}$ 

Hence, by SAS similarity criterion, we have

 $\Delta BAD \sim \Delta EAC$ 

and 
$$\angle ABD = \angle AEC = \alpha$$
, say ...(2)

 $\angle BDA = \angle ECA = \beta$ , say

...(1)

Again, in  $\Delta$ CAD and  $\Delta$ EAB, we have

$$\angle CAD = \angle EAB = \theta$$

 $\frac{AC}{AE} = \frac{AD}{AB}$ and Hence, by SAS similarity criterion, we have  $\Delta CAD \sim \Delta EAB$ ∠CDA = ∠EBA *.*.. But  $\angle CDA = \theta + \alpha$ [:: In  $\triangle ABD$ , exterior angle CDA =  $\theta + \alpha$ ] *:*..  $\angle CDA = \angle EBA = \theta + \alpha$ ...(3)  $\angle CDA = 180^{\circ} - \beta$ But since  $\angle$ CDA =  $\angle$ EBA = 180° -  $\beta$ *.*.. ...(4)  $\angle ADC = \angle ABE$ Also,  $= \theta + \alpha = 180^{\circ} - \beta$ ...(5) Now, in  $\triangle EBC$  $\angle EBC = \angle ABE - \angle ABD$  $= \theta + \alpha - \alpha$ [From (5) and (2)]  $= \theta$ ...(6)  $\angle ECB = \angle ECA - \angle ACB$ Also,  $\angle ACB = 180^{\circ} - 2\theta - \alpha$ Now, and  $\angle ECA = \beta$ [From (1)]  $\angle ECB = \beta - 180^\circ + 2\theta + \alpha$ *.*..  $= -\theta - \alpha + 2\theta + \alpha$ [From (5)]  $\angle EBC = \angle ECB = \theta$ *.*.. [From (5) and (7)]

 $\therefore$   $\Delta$ BEC is an isosceles.



#### **Multiple-Choice Questions**

In the given figure, AB || DE and BD || EF. Then
 (a) BC<sup>2</sup> = AB × CE
 (b) AB<sup>2</sup> = AC × DE

(c) 
$$AC^2 = BC \times DC$$
 (d)  $DC^2 = CF \times AC$ 



**Sol.** (*d*)  $DC^2 = CF \times AC$ 

In  $\triangle ABC$ , we have

DE || AB

: By the basic proportionality theorem, we have

$$\frac{AD}{CD} = \frac{BE}{EC} \qquad \dots (1)$$

In  $\triangle BDC$ , BD || CF

 $\therefore$  By the basic proportionality theorem, we have

$$\frac{DF}{FC} = \frac{BE}{EC} \qquad \dots (2)$$

From (1) and (2), we have

D

$$\frac{AD}{CD} = \frac{DF}{FC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AC - CD}{CD} = \frac{CD - FC}{FC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AC}{CD} - 1 = \frac{CD}{FC} - 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AC}{CD} = \frac{CD}{FC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad CD^{2} = AC \times CF$$

2. In the given figure, DE is equal to



Given that in  $\triangle ABC$ , D and E are points on AC and BC respectively such that  $\angle ABC = \angle DEC$ , EC = r units, BE = q units and AB = p units. To find the length of DE.



÷  $\angle DEC = \angle ABC$  [Corresponding  $\angle s$ ]

> AB DE

- AB || DE ....
- $\Delta DEC \sim \Delta ABC$ *.*.

$$\therefore \qquad \frac{BC}{EC} = \frac{AB}{DE}$$
$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{q+r}{r} = \frac{p}{DE}$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\therefore$$
 Required length of DE is  $\frac{pr}{q+r}$  units.

3. In the given figure, the criterion of similarity by which  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$  is



**Sol.** (*b*) 2.5 cm

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \begin{array}{l} \Delta ABC \sim \Delta QPR \\ \frac{AB}{QP} = \frac{BC}{PR} = \frac{AC}{QR} \\ \frac{BC}{PR} = \frac{AC}{QR} \\ \frac{5 \text{ cm}}{x} = \frac{6 \text{ cm}}{3 \text{ cm}} \\ \Rightarrow \qquad x = \frac{5 \times 3}{6} \text{ cm} \\ \Rightarrow \qquad x = 2.5 \text{ cm} \end{array}$$

#### Fill in the Blanks

5. The perimeters of two similar triangles are 25 cm and 15 cm respectively. If one side of the first triangle is 9 cm, then the corresponding side of the second triangle is 5.4 cm.

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- 6. All squares are <u>similar</u> (congruent/similar).
- 7. All concentric circles are **<u>similar</u>** to each other.

#### Assertion-Reason Type Questions

**Directions** (Q. Nos. 8 to 10): Each of these questions contains an assertion followed by reason. Read them carefully, and answer the question on the basis of the following options, select the one that best describes the two statements.

- (a) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true and Reason (R) is the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- (b) Both Assertion (A) and Reason (R) are true but Reason (R) is not the correct explanation of Assertion (A).
- (c) Assertion (A) is true but Reason (R) is false.
- (d) Assertion (A) is false but Reason (R) is true.
- 8. Assertion (A): Two similar triangles will have same size.

**Reason (R):** Similar triangles have the same measurement of angles.

- **Sol.** The correct answer is (*d*) as similar triangles have same measurement of angles but not sides. The Assertion is wrong but Reason is correct.
  - **9. Assertion (A):** A square and rectangle are not similar.

**Reason (R):** Ratio of sides of a square and rectangle are not same.

**Sol.** The correct answer is (*a*).

Both the statements are correct. Rectangles have different size of length and breadth. Hence their ratios are not same, so they are not similar. Thus both statements are correct and Reason is correct explanation of the Assertion.

**10. Assertion (A):** All right-angled isosceles triangles are similar.

**Reason (R):** All isosceles triangles have all angles equal.

**Sol.** The correct answer is (*c*).

Assertion is correct as all right-angled isosceles triangles have the same angles of 90, 45 and 45 degrees. Thus Assertion is correct but Reason is wrong.

#### **Case Study Based Questions**

**11.** On the occasion of 15th August, lots of programmes are scheduled to be held. A flagpole

stand is made outside the apartment. Nidhi looks up from the ground which is 60 m away from the flagpole. She looks up to the top of the building and the top of the flagpole in the same line up. If the flagpole is 35 m tall, and Nidhi is 180 m away from the building. Based on this given situation, answer the following questions.



(*a*) Find the height of the building.

**Ans.** 105 m

(b) You are standing at the same distance 180 m away from the building and place the flagpole 85 m away from you, what will be the distance of the flagpole from the building?

#### **Ans.** 95 m

(c) (i) If the height of the flagpole is reduced by 3 m, then what is the height of the building in line?

**Ans.** 96 m

or

(*ii*) If the height of the flagpole is 30 m, then what is the height of the building in line?

#### **Ans.** 90 m

12. A teacher of secondary school took 10 students of class 10 to Nongpoh, Meghalaya in summer vacation. One of the students, Amit was standing on a cliff. The cliff was 35 ft above the lake. Amit's height was 5.5 ft. Amit was standing 10 ft away from the edge of the cliff. Amit could visually align the top of the cliff with the water at the back of the boat. The situation was drawn and levelled. Based on this situation, answer the following questions.



(a) Find the distance of the boat from the cliff.

#### Ans. 63.64 ft

(*b*) If Amit stands 15 ft away from the cliff, what will be the distance of the boat from the cliff?

#### Ans. 95.45 ft

(c) (i) A girl 160 cm tall, stands 360 cm from a lamp post at night. Her shadow from the light is 90 cm long. What is the height of the lamp post?

**Ans.** 800 cm

or

(ii) A tower casts a shadow 7 m long. A vertical stick casts a shadow 0.6 m long. If the stick is 1.2 m high, what is the height of the tower?

**Ans.** 14 m

**13.** Observe the figures given below carefully and answer the questions:







- (*a*) Name the figure(s) wherein two figures are similar.
- Sol. Figures A and C are similar.
  - (*b*) Name the figure(s) wherein the figures are congruent.
- **Sol.** Figure C is congruent
  - (c) (*i*) Prove that congruent triangles are also similar but not the converse.
- Sol. In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$



By AA similarity criterion,

$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$$

But,  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$  are not congruent because corresponding sides of two triangles are not equal.

or

(*ii*) What more is least needed for two similar triangles to be congruent?

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**Sol.** For the similar triangles to be congruent, the length of the corresponding sides must be equal.

#### Very Short Answer Type Questions

 In the given figure, ABC and AMP are two right triangles, right-angled at B and M respectively. Prove that ΔABC ~ ΔAMP.



[CBSE 2023 Basic]

**Sol.** In  $\triangle$ ABC and  $\triangle$ AMP,

$$\angle ABC = \angle AMP = 90^{\circ}$$
  
 $\angle A = \angle A$  [Common]

... By AA similarity criterion,

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta AMP$$

**15.** D is a point on the side BC of  $\triangle$ ABC such that  $\angle$ ADC =  $\angle$ BAC. Show that AC<sup>2</sup> = BC × DC



[CBSE 2024 Basic]

**Sol.** In  $\triangle$ ABC and  $\triangle$ ADC

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 $\angle ADC = \angle BAC$  [Given]

By AA similarity criterion,

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta ADC$$
$$\frac{AC}{DC} = \frac{BC}{AC}$$

∠C =

$$\Rightarrow$$
 AC<sup>2</sup> = BC × DC

**16.** In the given figure given, AC is drawn parallel to QR. If DR = 5 cm, QD = 3 cm, CR = 2 cm and PC = 3 cm, then find the length of AB.



Sol. In  $\triangle PBC$  and  $\triangle PDR$ ,

$$\angle BPC = \angle DPR$$
 [Common]

$$\angle PBC = \angle PDR$$

[Corresponding angles]

By AA similarity criterion,

$$\Delta PBC \sim \Delta PDR$$

$$\therefore \qquad \frac{DR}{BC} = \frac{PR}{PC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{5 \text{ cm}}{BC} = \frac{PC + CR}{PC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{5 \text{ cm}}{BC} = \frac{5 \text{ cm}}{3 \text{ cm}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad BC = \frac{5 \times 3}{5} \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad BC = 3 \text{ cm} \qquad \dots(1)$$

In  $\triangle PAC$  and  $\triangle PQR$ ,

 $\angle P = \angle P$  [Common]

$$\angle PAC = \angle PQR$$

[Corresponding angles]

By AA similarity criterion,

$$\Delta PAC \sim \Delta PQR$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{QR}{AC} = \frac{PR}{PC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{QD + DR}{AB + BC} = \frac{PC + CR}{PC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{(3+5) \text{ cm}}{AB + 3 \text{ cm}} = \frac{3 \text{ cm} + 2 \text{ cm}}{3 \text{ cm}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{8 \text{ cm}}{AB + 3 \text{ cm}} = \frac{5 \text{ cm}}{3 \text{ cm}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad AB + 3 \text{ cm} = \frac{8 \times 3}{5} \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad AB = 4.8 \text{ cm} - 3 \text{ cm}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad AB = 1.8 \text{ cm}$$

17. In a  $\triangle$ ABC, BD and CE are perpendiculars to sides AC and AB respectively. Show that

$$AE \times BD = AD \times CE$$



**Sol.** In  $\triangle AEC$  and  $\triangle ADB$ ,

 $\angle A = \angle A$ [Common]

$$\angle AEC = \angle ADB = 90^{\circ}$$

... By AA similarity criterion,

 $\triangle AEC \sim \triangle ADB$  $\frac{AE}{AD} = \frac{CE}{BD}$ *.*..  $AE \times BD = AD \times CE$  $\Rightarrow$ 

18. Diagonals AC and BD of a trapezium ABCD

intersect at O, where AB || DC. If  $\frac{DO}{OB} = \frac{1}{2}$ , then show that AB = 2CD.



#### [CBSE 2024 Standard]

**Sol.** In  $\triangle AOB$  and  $\triangle COD$ ,

*.*..

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\angle AOB = \angle COD$$
[Vertically opposite angles]
$$\angle OAB = \angle OCD$$
 [Alternate angles]
$$\therefore By AA \text{ similarity criterion,}$$

$$\Delta AOB \sim \Delta COD$$

$$\therefore \qquad \frac{OB}{OD} = \frac{AB}{CD}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad 2 = \frac{AB}{CD} \qquad \left[\because \frac{DO}{OB} = \frac{1}{2}\right]$$

$$\Rightarrow$$
 AB = 2CD

#### Short Answer Type Questions

19. In the given figure,  $DB \perp BC$ ,  $AC \perp BC$  and  $DE \perp AB$ . Prove that  $\frac{BE}{DE} = \frac{AC}{BC}$ . [CBSE 2008]



**Sol.** Given that  $\triangle$ ABC and  $\triangle$ BED, where E is a point on AB, are two triangle such that



$$\therefore \qquad \frac{AC}{BE} = \frac{BC}{DE}$$
$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{BE}{DE} = \frac{AC}{BC}$$

Hence, proved.

20. In the given figure, CD is the perpendicular bisector of AB. EF is perpendicular to CD. AE

intersects CD at G. Prove that 
$$\frac{CF}{CD} = \frac{FG}{DG}$$



[CBSE 2023 Standard]

[Common]

**Sol.** In  $\triangle CFE$  and CDB,  $\angle C = \angle C$ 

$$\angle CFE = \angle FDB = 90^{\circ}$$

By AA similarity criterion,

*.*..

$$\Delta CFE \sim \Delta CDB$$
$$\frac{CF}{CD} = \frac{FE}{DB} \qquad \dots (1)$$

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In 
$$\triangle$$
FGE and  $\triangle$ DGA

$$\angle FGE = \angle DGA$$
[Vertically opposite angles]
$$\angle EFG = \angle ADG = 90^{\circ}$$
By AA similarity criterion,
$$\Delta FGF \sim \Delta DGA$$

$$\therefore \qquad \frac{FG}{DG} = \frac{EF}{AD}$$
But
$$AD = DB$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{FG}{DG} = \frac{EF}{DB} \qquad ...(2)$$

From equations (1) and (2), we have

$$\frac{CF}{CD} = \frac{FG}{DG}$$

Hence, proved.

**21.** In the given figure, ABCD is a parallelogram BE bisects CD at M and intersects AC at L. Prove that EL = 2BL.



**Sol.** In  $\triangle$ EDM and  $\triangle$ BCM,

MD = MC[M is the mid-point of CD]  $\angle DME = \angle CMB$ [Vertically opposite angles]  $\angle EDM = \angle BCM$ [Alternate angles]  $\Delta EDM \cong \Delta BCM$ [ASA cong.] *.*.. BC = ED $\Rightarrow$ ...(1) BC = ADBut [:: ABCD is a  $\parallel gm \rfloor$  ...(2) AD + DE = BC + BC $\Rightarrow$ AE = 2BC $\Rightarrow$ ...(3) In  $\triangle$ ALE and  $\angle$ CLB,  $\angle ALE = \angle CLB$ [Vertically opposite angles]  $\angle$ EAL =  $\angle$ CBL [Alternate angles] : By AA similarly criterion,  $\Delta ALE \sim \Delta CLB$ 

	$\frac{AE}{CB} = \frac{EL}{BL}$
From (3),	AE = 2BC
	$\frac{2BC}{BC} = \frac{EL}{BL}$
$\Rightarrow$	2BL = EL
<i>.</i>	EL = 2BL
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Hence, proved.

#### Long Answer Type Questions

**22.** In the given figure,  $\angle PST = \angle PQR$ . Prove that  $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle PST$ .



Hence, show that  $PQ \times ST = PS \times QR$  and  $PT \times QR = ST \times PR$ .

**Sol.** Given that PQR is a triangle and S, T are points on RP and QP respectively such that TSP is a triangle with  $\angle$ PST =  $\angle$ PQR.



To prove that  $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle PST$  and  $PQ \times ST = PS \times QR$ ,  $PT \times QR = ST \times PR$ .

In  $\triangle$ PQR and  $\triangle$ PST, we have

$$\angle PQR = \angle PST$$
 [Given]

$$\angle QPR = \angle SPT$$
 [Common]

... By AA similarity criterion, we have

$$\Delta PQR \sim \Delta PST$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{PQ}{PS} = \frac{PR}{PT} = \frac{QR}{ST} \qquad \dots (1)$$

From (1), we have

$$\frac{PQ}{PS} = \frac{QR}{ST}$$
$$PQ \times ST = PS \times QR$$

Again, from (1), we have

$$PT \times QR = ST \times PR$$

Hence, proved.

**23.** If AD and PM are medians of triangles ABC and



#### **Multiple-Choice Questions**

1.	If $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle XYZ$ , $\angle Q$	= 50° and $\angle R$ = 70°, then
	$\angle X + \angle Y$ is equal to	
	(a) 70°	( <i>b</i> ) 110°

- (c) 120° (d) 50°
- **Sol.** (b) 110°
  - Given that  $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle XYZ$ , where  $\angle Q = 50^{\circ}$ ,  $\angle R = 70^{\circ}$ .

- 70° 50 70° ,50° ā 7 To find  $\angle X + \angle Y$ . In  $\Delta$ PQR, we have  $\angle Q = 50^\circ, \angle R = 70^\circ$  $\angle P = 180^{\circ} - (50^{\circ} + 70^{\circ})$ *.*.. [By angle sum property of a triangle]  $\Delta PQR \sim \Delta XYZ$ •.•  $\angle X = \angle P = 60^\circ, \angle Y = \angle Q = 50^\circ$ *.*..  $\angle X + \angle Y = 60^\circ + 50^\circ = 110^\circ$ . · . 2. If in  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$ ,  $\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{FD}$ , then they will be similar when (a)  $\angle A = \angle F$ (b)  $\angle A = \angle D$ 
  - (c)  $\angle B = \angle D$  (d)  $\angle B = \angle E$
- **Sol.** (c)  $\angle B = \angle D$

Given that 
$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{FD}$$
 in  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle DEF$ .



Now,  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle EDF$  only if  $\angle B = \angle D$  by SAS similarity criterion, since only  $\angle B$  corresponds to  $\angle D$ .

**3.** In the given figure, DE  $\parallel$  BC. Then *x* equals to



(a) 6 cm (b) 8 cm (c) 12 cm (d) 10 cm

**Sol.** (*d*) 10 cm

Given that D and E are two points on the sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle$ ABC such that DE || BC. Also, given that AD = 2 cm, DB = 3 cm, DE = 4 cm and BC = *x*.

To find	the value of <i>x</i> .
::	DE    BC
<i>.</i>	$\Delta ADE \sim \Delta ABC$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{AB}{AD} = \frac{BC}{DE}$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{2+3}{2} = \frac{x}{4}$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{5}{2} \times 4 = x$
$\Rightarrow$	x = 10
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- Hence, the value of *x* is 10 cm.
- 4. P and Q are two points on the sides AB and AC respectively of a triangle ABC such that PQ || BC, AP = 3.5 cm, PB = 7 cm, AQ = 3 cm, QC = 6 cmand PQ = 4.5 cm. Then the measure of BC is equal to

( <i>a</i> )	13.5 cm	(b)	9 cm
(C)	12.5 cm	( <i>d</i> )	15 cm

**Sol.** (*a*) 13.5 cm

Given that P and Q are two points on the sides AB and AC respectively of  $\triangle ABC$ , such that PQ || BC. Also, given that AP = 3.5 cm, PB = 7 cm, AQ = 3 cm, QC = 6 cm and PQ = 4.5 cm.To find the length of BC.



Let BC = x

Since PQ || BC

$$\therefore \qquad \Delta APQ \sim \Delta ABQ$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{PQ}{BC} = \frac{AQ}{AC}$$

$$\Rightarrow$$

 $\Rightarrow$ 

$$\frac{4.5}{x} = \frac{3}{3+6} = \frac{3}{9} = \frac{1}{3}$$

 $x = 4.5 \times 3 = 13.5$ 

Hence, the required length of BC is 13.5 cm.

5. A vertical stick 30 m long casts a shadow 15 m long on the ground. At the same time, a tower casts a shadow 75 m long on the ground. Then the height of the tower is

(a)	150 m	(b)	100 m
(C)	25 m	(d)	200 m

Let AB be the vertical stick and AC be its shadow on the horizontal ground. Given that AB = 30 mand AC = 15 m. Let DE be the vertical tower and EF = 75 m its shadow on the horizontal ground. To find the height of the tower ED.



Since the shadows are formed by the same sun, hence,  $\angle ACB = \angle EFD$ .

Also,  $\angle BAC = \angle DEF = 90^{\circ}$ 

... By AA similarity criterion, we have  $\Delta ABC \sim \Delta EDF$ 

$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{BA}{ED} = \frac{AC}{EF}$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{30}{h} = \frac{15}{75} = \frac{1}{5}$
$\Rightarrow$	$h = 30 \times 5 = 150$

Hence, the required height of the tower is 150 m.

6. In the given figure,  $\angle APQ = \angle ABC$ ,  $\angle AQR = \angle ACP$ . Given that AR = 1 unit, AQ = 4 units and QC = 8 units, then AR : PB equals



By AA similarly criterion,  

$$\Delta ARQ \sim \Delta APC$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{AR}{AP} = \frac{AQ}{AC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{1}{AP} = \frac{4}{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad AP = 3 \text{ units} \qquad \dots(1)$$
In  $\Delta APQ$  and  $\Delta ABC$ ,  

$$\angle A = \angle A \qquad [Common]$$

$$\angle APQ = \angle ABC \qquad [Given]$$

$$\therefore \qquad By AA \text{ similarity criterion,}$$

$$\Delta APQ \sim \Delta ABC$$

$$\therefore \qquad \frac{AP}{AB} = \frac{AQ}{AC}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{3}{AB} = \frac{4}{12}$$

$$\Rightarrow \qquad AB = 9 \text{ units} \qquad \dots(2)$$

$$PB = 9 - 3 = 6 \text{ units}$$

$$\therefore \qquad \frac{AR}{PB} = \frac{1}{6}$$

7. In the given figure,  $\angle BAC = \angle CBD$ . If BC = 16 cm, CD = 8 cm, then AC is equal to



 $\angle C = \angle C$ 

[Common]

[Given]

**Sol.** (c) 32 m

In  $\triangle$ ABC and  $\triangle$ BDC,



$$AC = \frac{BC \times BC}{CD} = \frac{16 \times 16}{8} \text{ cm}$$

 $\Rightarrow AC = 32 \text{ cm}$ 8. In  $\triangle ABC$ , DE || AB. If AB = *a*, DE = *x*, BE = *b* and EC = *c*, then *x* expressed in terms of *a*, *b* and *c* is



Sol. (b)  $\frac{ac}{b+c}$ 

 $\Rightarrow$ 

In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle CDE$ ,

$$\angle C = \angle C$$
 [Common]  
 $\angle ABC = \angle DEC$ 

[Corresponding  $\angle s$ ]



... By AA similarity criterion,

	$\frac{AB}{DE} =$	$\frac{BC}{EC}$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{AB}{DE} =$	$\frac{BE + EC}{EC}$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{a}{x} =$	$\frac{b+c}{c}$
$\Rightarrow$	<i>x</i> =	$\frac{ac}{b+c}$

- **9.** Which of the following may be similar to each other?
  - (i) Any two circles
  - (ii) Any two rhombuses
  - (iii) Any two regular hexagons.

Choose the correct option:

- (*a*) only (*ii*) (*b*) only (*i*) and (*ii*)
- (c) only (i) and (iii) (d) All
- Sol. (d) All

10. In the given figure, AP : PB = 1 : 4, AQ : QC = 1 : 4 and BR : RC = 1 : 5, then



#### Life Skills -(Page 125)

1. Two ladders were kept leaning against a wall at the same angle as shown in the figure. Roshan was asked to determine the length of the bigger ladder. What is the length of the bigger ladder?







In 
$$\triangle ABC$$
 and  $\triangle PQR$   
 $\angle ABC = \angle PQR$   
[Both ladders are inclined to  
the wall at the same angle]  
 $\angle ACB = \angle PRQ = 90^{\circ}$   
 $\therefore$  By AA similarity criterion,  
 $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$   
 $\therefore \qquad \frac{AC}{PR} = \frac{AB}{PQ}$   
 $\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{24}{18} = \frac{x}{24} \text{ m}$   
 $\Rightarrow \qquad x = \frac{24 \times 24}{18} \text{ m}$   
 $\Rightarrow \qquad x = 32 \text{ m}$ 

- 2. During the summer holidays, Radhika usually visited her ancestral village. The village was situated on the banks of a river. To measure the width of the river, she uses a banyan tree situated on the opposite bank as a reference point. She marks the position of the tree by placing a wooden pole. She walks 10 m down the bank and places another wooden pole at that point. She then further moves 5 m down the bank. At this point she takes a left turn and walks out in a perpendicular direction to the bank. She stops at a point where she is able to see both the tree and the wooden pole in a straight line. If she walks 15 m from the bank, find the width of the river.
- **Sol.** AB = width of the river.

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In  $\triangle ABC$  and  $\triangle CDE$ 

 $\angle ACB = \angle ECD$  [Vertically opposite angles]

$$\angle ABC = \angle EDC = 90^{\circ}$$

By AA similarity criterion,

$$\Delta ABC \sim \Delta EDC$$

$$\therefore \qquad \frac{BC}{DC} = \frac{AB}{ED}$$

$$\Rightarrow AB = \frac{BC \times ED}{DC} = \frac{10 \text{ m} \times 15 \text{ m}}{5 \text{ m}} = 30 \text{ m}$$
Width of the river
Banyan tree
A