

Types of triangles - Worksheet

Skill

Group A - Identifying triangles

Identify each triangle below as equilateral, isosceles or scalene.





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Group B - Properties of triangles

Identify each triangle below as equilateral, isosceles or scalene from each description.

1) Three equal sides.	2) Two equal angles.	3) One line of symmetry.
4) Three unequal sides.	5) Three equal angles.	6) Two equal sides.
7) Three lines of symmetry.	8) Three unequal angles.	9) No lines of symmetry.

Group C - Triangles within quadrilaterals

Identify each triangle below as equilateral, isosceles or scalene.





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Applied

- **1)** (a) Is it possible to construct a triangle which has side lengths of 3*cm*, 3*cm* and 10*cm*? Explain your answer.
 - (b) One of the lengths that is 3cm is changed to be 8cm. Is it possible to construct this triangle? What type of triangle would it be?
- (a) A triangle has two equal angles. Given that two of the angles are 50° and 80°, how many possible triangles are there?
 - **(b)** This triangle has a line of symmetry which divides the shape into two congruent triangles. What would be the size of each angle in these congruent triangles?
- **3)** Decide if each statement is always / sometimes / never true. Justify your answer.
 - (a) A triangle has a reflex angle.
 - (b) A triangle has equal sides so therefore is an equilateral triangle.
 - (c) If you draw any quadrilateral and draw a line between two opposite vertices, you will have two congruent triangles.
- 4) Draw an equilateral triangle and mark the midpoints of each side.

Join the midpoints together.

What shape is now inside the equilateral triangle?

What would happen if you repeated this process?



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1) (a) Name this triangle



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(b) Sketch an isosceles triangle. Mark the triangle to show that it is isosceles.

> (1) (2 marks)

2) (a) This diagram shows a triangle.





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3) (a) This diagram shows a square.



A diagonal line from opposite vertices is drawn. What is the name of the triangle?

(1)

(b) Calculate the area of one of the triangles. Give the correct units for your answer.

> (2) (3 marks)





	Question	Answer
	Skill Questions	
Group A	Identify each triangle below as equilateral, isosceles or scalene.	
		1) (Right-angled) Isosceles
		2) Equilateral
		3) Scalene
		4) Scalene
	5)	5) Isosceles
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Group B	Identify each triangle below as equilateral, isosceles, right-angled or scalene from each description.	
	1) Three equal sides.	1) Equilateral
	2) Two equal angles.	2) (Right-angled) Isosceles
	3) One line of symmetry.	3) (Right-angled) Isosceles
	4) Three unequal sides.	4) Scalene (or right-angled in
		special cases)
	5) Three equal angles.	5) Equilateral
	6) Two equal sides.	6) Isosceles
	7) Three lines of symmetry.	7) Equilateral
	8) Three unequal angles.	8) Scalene (or right-angled in
		special cases)
	9) No lines of symmetry.	9) Scalene (or right-angled in
		special cases)
Group C	Identify each triangle below as equilateral, isosceles, right-angled or scalene.	
	1) Triangle <i>ABC</i>	1) Isosceles
	2) Triangle EFG	2) Scalene







Group C contd	9)	Triangle UVW	9) Isosceles
	10)	Triangle UVO	10) (Right-angled) Isosceles
	11)	Triangle ABC	11) Scalene
	12)	Triangle ABO	12) Scalene



	Q	uestion	Answer	
	Ap	oplied Questions		
1)	a)	Is it possible to construct a triangle which has side lengths of 3 <i>cm</i> , 3 <i>cm</i> and 10 <i>cm</i> ? Explain your answer.	a)	No. The two shorter lengths have a sum of less than the longest length.
	b)	One of the lengths that is 3 <i>cm</i> is changed to be 8 <i>cm</i> . Is it possible to construct this triangle? What type of triangle would it be?	b)	Yes. Two sides total more than the remaining side. Scalene triangle.
2)	a)	A triangle has two equal angles. Given that two of the angles are 50° and 80°, how many possible triangles are there?	a)	One possible triangle as 50 + 50 + 80 = 180 but 50 + 80 + 80 = 210 and angles in a triangle sum to 180°.
	b)	This triangle has a line of symmetry which divides the shape into two congruent triangles. What would be the size of each angle in these congruent triangles?	b)	The base angles are 50°. The angle that is 80° is divided by two. The angle between the base and line of symmetry is 90°. So 50°, 40° and 90°.
3)		Decide if each statement is always / sometimes / never true. Justify your answer.		
	a)	A triangle has a reflex angle.	a)	Never true. Angles in a triangle sum to 180° and a reflex angle is greater than 180°.
	b)	A triangle has equal sides so therefore is an equilateral triangle.	b)	Always true. If the sides are equal, each angle also has to be 60°.
	c)	If you draw any quadrilateral and draw a line between two opposite vertices, you will have two congruent triangles.	c)	Sometimes true. It is true for a square, rectangle, rhombus, isosceles trapezium and a kite.
4)		Draw an equilateral triangle and mark the midpoints of each side. Join the midpoints together. What shape is now inside the equilateral triangle? What would happen if you repeated this process?		This would be an equilateral triangle and if you repeated the process you would continue drawing equilateral triangles of decreasing size.



Types of triangle- Mark Scheme

		Question		Answer		
		Exam Questions				
1)	(a)	Name this triangle E D F	(a)	Equilateral	(1)	
	(b)	Sketch an isosceles triangle. Mark the triangle to show that it is isosceles.	(b)		(1)	
2)	(a)	This diagram shows a triangle. 68° Not to scale Name the type of triangle.	(a)	Isosceles	(1)	
	(b)	Casey calculates angle x as $x = 68^{\circ}$. Why is she wrong?	(b)	The base angles in an isosceles triangle are equal angle x is not a base angle.	(1)	



Types of triangle- Mark Scheme

3)	(a)	This diagram shows a square.	(a)	(Right-angled) Isosceles	(1)
		6cm 6cm A diagonal line from opposite vertices is drawn. What is the name of the triangle?			
	(b)	Calculate the area of one of the triangles. Give the correct units for your answer.	(b)	18 cm ²	(1) (1)
4)	(a)	This diagram shows six shapes on a centimetre grid. A B C D E F Name shape C	(a)	Right angle triangle or scalene triangle.	(1)
	b)	Name Shape F	(b)	Isosceles triangle	(1)

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