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GCSE Exam Questions

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GCSE Exam Questions: Polygons

- 1) (a) Calculate the external angle for a regular icosagon.

(2)

- (b) The external angle for a polygon is equal to 22.5° .

How many sides does the polygon have?

(2)

(4 marks)

- 2) (a) Which of the following polygons have parallel sides.

Circle all that apply.

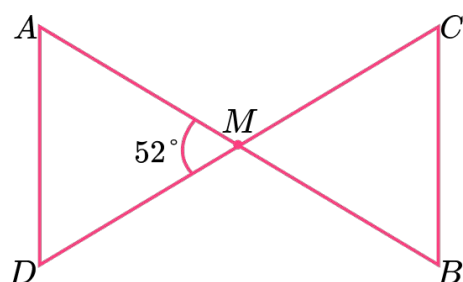
Regular Pentagon Trapezium Regular Octagon Kite

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- (b) ABCD is a complex polygon where $AM = MB$ and $CM:MD = 1:1$.

Does the following polygon have parallel sides?

Explain your answer.

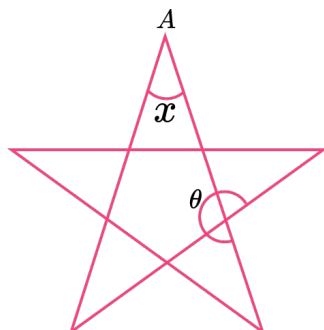


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- 3) (a) A pentagram is a complex pentagon made up of 5 isosceles triangles and a regular pentagon. If the interior angle at point A is equal to x , write an expression for the size of angle θ ?



- (b) Given that $\theta = 252^\circ$, calculate the size of angle x .

(1)

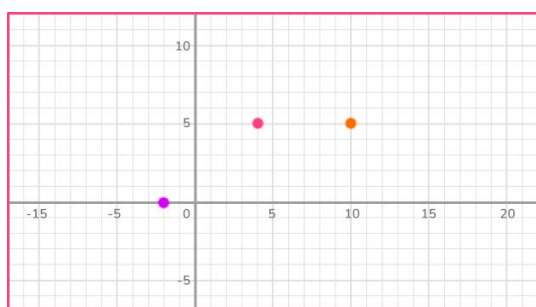
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- 4) (a) The angles in a polygon are given as:
 $4x + 20$, $5x + 19$, $3x + 32$, $6x + 18$, $2x + 41$, and $5x - 10$.
 By finding the value of x , classify the polygon.

(6)

- (b) The set of axes below has three coordinates plotted:
 $A(-2, 0)$, $B(4, 5)$, and $C(10, 5)$.

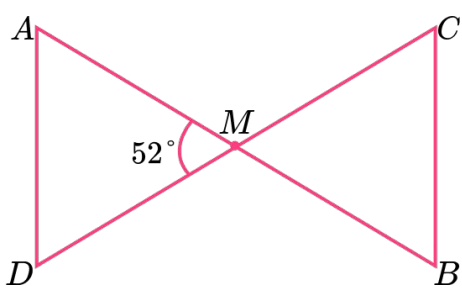
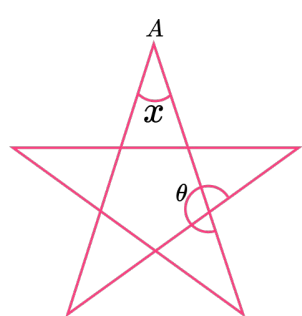


State the coordinates of the two points that would make an isosceles trapezium.

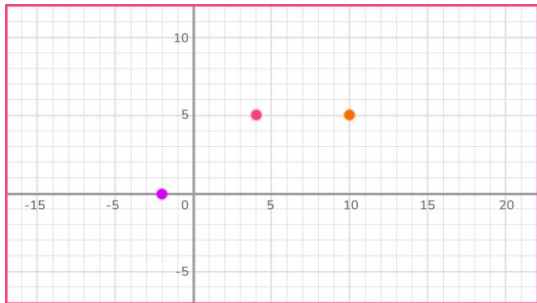
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(8 marks)

GCSE Exam Questions: Polygons Answers

	Question	Answer	Marks
1) (a)	Calculate the external angle for a regular icosagon.	(a) 20 sides $360 \div 20 = 18^\circ$	(1) (1)
(b)	The external angle for a polygon is equal to 22.5° . How many sides does the polygon have?	(b) $360 \div 22.5$ 16 sides	(1) (1)
2) (a)	Which of the following polygons have parallel sides. Circle your answers. Regular Pentagon Trapezium Regular Octagon Kite	(a) Trapezium Regular Octagon	(1) (1)
(b)	<i>ABCD</i> is a complex polygon where $AM = MB$ and $CM:MD = 1:1$. Does the following polygon have parallel sides? Explain your answer. 	(b) Vertically opposite angles are the same so angle $CMB = 52^\circ$. As $AM = MB$ and $CM:MD = 1:1$, the lengths of AM , CM , BM , and DM are all equal so triangles AMD and CMB are both isosceles, and congruent (SAS). Angle $ABC = \text{angle } DAM = (180 - 52) \div 2 = 64^\circ$ As alternate angles are equal, AD is parallel to BC. Yes	(1) (1) (1) (1) (1)
3) (a)	A pentagram is a complex pentagon made up of 5 isosceles triangles and a regular pentagon. If the interior angle at point A is equal to x , write an expression for the size of angle θ ? 	(a) $288 - x$ or $270 - \frac{x}{2}$	(1)
(b)	Given that $\theta = 252^\circ$, calculate the size of angle x .	(b) $288 - 252 = 36^\circ$ or $270 - \frac{x}{2} = 252$ $\frac{x}{2} = 18$ $x = 36^\circ$	(1)

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	Question	Answer	Marks
4) (a)	The angles in a polygon are given as: $4x + 20$, $5x + 19$, $3x + 32$, $6x + 18$, $2x + 41$, and $5x - 10$. By finding the value of x, classify the polygon.	(a) $180(6 - 2) = 720^\circ$ $4x + 20 + 5x + 19 + 3x + 32 + 6x + 18 + 2x + 41 + 5x - 10 = 720$ $x = 24^\circ$ $4x + 20 = 116^\circ$ $3x + 32 = 104^\circ$ $5x + 19 = 139^\circ$ $6x + 18 = 162^\circ$ $2x + 41 = 89^\circ$ $5x - 10 = 110^\circ$ For minimum 3 correct angles All angles correct Irregular Hexagon	(1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)
(b)	The set of axes below has three coordinates plotted: $A(-2, 0)$, $B(4, 5)$, and $C(10, 5)$.  State the coordinates of the two points that would make an isosceles trapezium.	(b) $(16, 0)$ $(-2, -6)$	(1) (1)

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