

GCSE Exam Questions

Circle Theorems | Geometry & Measure



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1) (a)	Prove that the angle at the centre is twice the angle at the circumference. A = A = A = A = A = A = A = A = A = A =	Answer in full Answer in full A x x x x x x x x	
		ACD is an isosceles triangle so $CAD = ADC = x$. Angle $ACD = 180 - 2x$ as angles in a triangle total 180° . This is the same for triangle ABC using y instead of x. Adding the two angles at the centre, we get the reflex angle at $BCD = 360 - 2x - 2y$. As angles at a point total 180° , the other angle at $BCD = 2x + 2y$ or $2(x + y)$. As the angle at the circumference is equal to $x + y$ and the angle at the centre is equal to $2(x + y)$, we can state that The angle at the centre is twice the angle at the circumference.	 (1) (1) (1) (1)
(b)	Use this theorem to calculate the missing angle in the diagram: $ \frac{D}{e^{BA^{*}}} $	$CED = 84 \times 2 = 168$ $\theta = 360 - 168 = 192^{\circ}$ Angles around a point total 360°	(1) (1) (1)



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2) (a)	Prove that angles in the same segment are equal.	Answer in full Answer in full a b c c a c a a a a a a a a	(1) (1) (1)
(b)	Use this theorem to calculate the missing angle in the diagram: $ \begin{array}{c} $	$CAB = 38^{\circ}$ $AEB = 180 - 123 = 57^{\circ}$ Reason: Angles on a straight line total 180° $\theta = 180 - (38 + 57) = 85^{\circ}$ Reason: Angles in a triangle total 180°	 (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)



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3) (a)	Prove that the angle in a semicircle is 90 degrees.	$A \qquad \bigcirc \\ C \qquad \bigcirc \\ B \qquad \bigcirc \\ x \qquad \bigcirc \\ x \qquad \bigcirc \\ x \qquad \bigcirc \\ A \qquad \bigcirc \\ B \qquad \bigcirc \\ x \qquad \bigcirc \\ x \qquad \bigcirc \\ A \qquad \bigcirc \\ B \qquad \bigcirc \\ x \qquad \bigcirc \\ A \qquad \bigcirc \\ B \qquad \bigcirc \\ x \qquad \bigcirc \\ B \qquad \bigcirc \\ x \qquad \bigcirc \\ B \qquad \bigcirc \\ x \qquad \bigcirc \\ B \qquad \bigcirc \\ a \qquad \qquad \\ a \qquad \bigcirc \\ a \qquad \qquad \\ a \qquad $	
		Splitting the triangle <i>ABC</i> into two isosceles triangles , we can state that angle $OAC = OCA = x$, and $OBC = OCB = y$. This means that angle $ACB = x + y$.	(1) (1)
		As angles in a triangle total 180° x + y + x + y = 180 2x + 2y = 180 $x + y = 90^{\circ}$	(1) (1)
(b)	Use this theorem to calculate the missing angle in the diagram: $B \xrightarrow{C} A \xrightarrow{C} A \xrightarrow{D} D$	$ACD = 90^{\circ}$ $CED = 32^{\circ}$	(1)
		CDE = 180 - (90 + 32)	(1)
		$\theta = 38^{\circ}$	(1)



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4) (a)	Prove that opposite angles in a cyclic quadrilateral total 180 degrees.	As the angle at the centre is twice the angle at the circumference and $BAD = a$, angle $BOD = 2a$. For the same reason, The reflex angle at BOD = 2c. As angles at a point total 360° 2a + 2c = 360 $a + c = 180^{\circ}$	(1) (1) (1) (1)
(b)	Use this theorem to calculate the missing angle in the diagram: A = A = B = B = C	<i>OBC</i> is an isosceles triangle so $OBC = OCB = (180 - 96) \div 2 = 42^{\circ}$ $ABC = 42 + 36 = 78^{\circ}$ $ADC = 180 - 78 = 102^{\circ}$	 (1) (1) (1) (1)

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