# **Ch. 4 Congruent Triangles**

Chapter 4

# **4.1 Triangle Sum Properties**

• Triangle: A polygon with 3 sides

- Classify By Sides:
  - Scalene: no = sides
  - Isosceles: 2 sides =
  - Equilateral: 3 sides =

#### **Classify By Angles**

- Acute: All angles acute
- -Obtuse: One Obtuse angle
- Right: One right angle
- Equiangular: All = angles

- Angles:
  - Interior Angles: inside triangle
  - Exterior Angles: outside triangle
- Theorem: Triangle Sum Theorem
  - The sum of the measures of the interior angles of a triangle is 180°

#### • Theorem: Exterior Angle

 An exterior angle of a triangle = the sum of the two nonadjacent interior angles

#### Corollary to Interior Angle Sum

 The acute angles of a right triangle are complementary

## 4.2 Apply Congruence and Triangles

• **Congruent**: same shape, same size

- 2 Triangles Congruent (To Prove)
  - 1. All Corresponding sides  $\cong$
  - 2. All Corresponding angles  $\cong$
  - Order Important

#### • Theorem: Third Angle

- If two angles of one triangle are  $\cong$  to two angles of another triangle,
- Then the third angles are congruent

#### **4.3 Transformations and Congruence**

- Transformation: to move or change a figure
- Rigid Motion: Type of transformation
  - Preserves the length, angle measures, and area
  - Called isometry
  - 3 Types
    - Translation: slide
    - Reflection: flip
    - Rotation: turns
  - Maintains Congruence

#### **4.4 Prove Triangles Congruent by SSS**

- Postulate: Side-Side-Side Congruence
  - If 3 sides of one  $\Delta$  are  $\cong$  to 3 sides of another  $\Delta$
  - Then the two triangles are  $\cong$

• Note: the order a congruence statement is written is important

The congruent sides and angles must match

## 4.5 Prove Triangles Congruent by SAS and HL

Postulate: SAS Congruence

- If 2 sides and included angle of one triangle are  $\cong$ To 2 sides and the included angle of another triangle, Then the triangles are  $\cong$ .

SSA NOT true unless it's a **Right Triangle** (HL) If the hypotenuse and leg of right triangle is congruent to the hypotenuse and leg of another triangle, Then the triangles are  $\cong$ .

## 4.6 Prove Triangles Congruent by ASA and AAS

- Postulate 21: ASA Congruence
  - If two angles and the included side are congruent to the corresponding angles and side,

Then the triangles are congruent.

#### **Theorem: AAS Congruence**

- If 2 angles and any other side are congruent to the corresponding angles and side,
- Then the triangles are congruent.

#### Ways to Prove 2 Triangles Congruent

- 1. SSS
- 2. SAS
- 3. HL
- 4. ASA
  - 5. AAS

# 4.7 Use Congruent Triangles

- If 2 triangles are congruent.....
- Then all the corresponding parts are congruent.
- CPCTC
- Corresponding Parts of Congruent
  Triangles are Congruent

• To Prove Corresponding sides or angles are  $\cong$ 

• First Prove the two triangles are  $\cong$ .

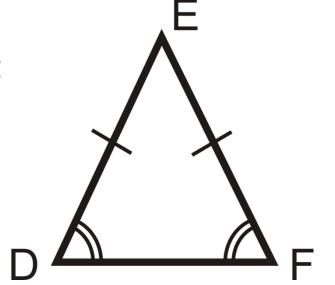
# 4.8 Use Isosceles and Equilateral Triangles

• 2 Special triangles.

- 1. The Isosceles Triangle:
  - If 2 sides  $\Delta \cong$ ,

then base angles  $\cong$ .

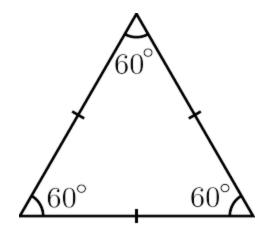
If Base angles ≅,
 then 2 legs ≅.



**BAIT**  $\cong$  **B**ase **A**ngles of Isosceles **T**riangle  $\cong$ 

• Equilateral Triangle:

• Corollary:



- If Triangle is equilateral, then it is equiangular.
- If Triangle is equiangular, then it is equilateral.

### 4.9 Perform Congruence Transformations

• **Transformation**: operation that moves a figure.

- 3 kinds:
  - -1. translation (slide)
  - 2. reflection (flip)
  - 3. rotation (turn)

- 1. Translation:  $(x,y) \rightarrow (x + a, y + b)$
- 2. Reflection:
  - In the x-axis  $(x,y) \rightarrow (x, -y)$
  - In the y-axis  $(x,y) \rightarrow (-x, y)$

#### • 3. Rotation:

- preserves the distance from the center (pivot point)
- Clockwise/ counterclockwise
- Angle of rotation given