

LESSON Digits 10-2

Similar Figures

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Goal: I will be able to **determine if figures are similar.**

Learning Objectives:
 Similar Figures: if you can transform (translate, rotate, dilate) one to the other, means similar.
 ~ means similar.
 Example 1: $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle NOP$. Describe a series of rigid motion followed by a dilation that shows the two triangles are similar.

1) Translate 2 units to the right and 4 units up.
 2) Dilate $\triangle ABC$ by a scale factor of $\frac{1}{2}$.

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Example 2: $ABCD$ and $EFGH$ are rectangles. Given $ABCD \sim EFGH$, describe a sequence of a rigid motion followed by a dilation with center $(0,0)$ that maps $ABCD$ to $EFGH$.

1) Reflect across the line $x=1$.
 Scale Factor: $\frac{\text{new}}{\text{orig}} = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$
 2) Dilate by a scale factor of $\frac{1}{3}$.

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Effect of Dilations on:

Angles: No change
 Length of Sides: $\text{New Side} = \text{Scale Factor} \cdot (\text{Original Side})$

$\triangle ADE$ is $\triangle ABC$ after a dilation with a scale factor of 2.

$\angle A = \angle A$
 $\angle C = \angle E$
 $\angle B = \angle D$
 $\overline{AE} = 2 \cdot \overline{AC}$
 $\overline{DE} = 2 \cdot \overline{BC}$
 New Side = Scale Factor \cdot (Original Side)

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Example 3: Is $\triangle MNO \sim \triangle PQR$? Why?

1) Rotate it 180°
 2) Dilate it by a scale factor of $\frac{3}{2}$

Scale factor = $\frac{\text{new}}{\text{orig}} = \frac{6}{4} = \frac{3}{2}$

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You Try: Given $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$, describe a sequence of rigid motion followed by a dilation with center $(0,0)$ that maps $\triangle ABC$ to $\triangle DEF$.

Scale factor = $\frac{2}{1} = 2$
 $B(-2,0) \rightarrow E(-4,0)$

1) Translate 2 units to the left and 1 unit down.
 2) Dilate by a scale factor of 2.

$A(-1,2) \rightarrow D(-2,4) \checkmark$
 $B(-2,0) \rightarrow E(-4,0) \checkmark$
 $C(0,-2) \rightarrow F(0,-4) \checkmark$

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You Try: $JKLM$ and $PQRS$ are squares. Given $JKLM \sim PQRS$, describe a sequence of rigid motion followed by a dilation with center $(0,0)$ that maps $JKLM$ to $PQRS$.

Scale factor = $\frac{6}{2} = 3$
 $J(-3,-2) \rightarrow P(-9,-6)$
 $M(-1,-2) \rightarrow S(-3,-6)$

1) Reflect across the line $y=1$
 2) Dilate by a scale factor of 3.

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You Try: Which two triangles are similar?

$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle EFG$