

Triangles

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- Sum of angles of ANY triangle equals ?
- What can we say about sides of a triangle?
- What is the right triangle?



Triangles 2

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- List all methods for finding an area of a triangle.



Triangles | Answers

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- Sum of all angles in any triangle is always 180°
- One side is always smaller than the sum of the other two and is always greater than the difference of the other two
- A right triangle is the one that has a 90 degree angle (it has the right angle). A triangle can only have one angle at 90 degrees since sum of the 3 angles is 180



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- 1. Area = $\frac{1}{2} \text{ base} \times \text{height}$
- 2. Hero's formula: $\sqrt{s(s-a)(s-b)(s-c)}$
where a,b,c are sides of a triangle and s is semi-perimeter $s = \frac{a+b+c}{2}$
- 3. If you know 2 sides of a triangle but not its height, you can add an equally sized triangle to create a square/rectangle/rhombus and find its area (may be easier). Remember to divide your result by 2.



Triangles 3

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- These are 2 sides of a right triangle, find the third side:
 - 3, 4, x
 - 6, 8, x
 - 5, 12, x
 - 12, 16, x
 - 7, 24, x



Triangles 4

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- What is the relationship between sides in a right isosceles triangle?
- What is the relationship between angles?



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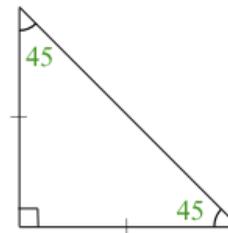
- GMAT relies on these easy triangles. If you memorize these combinations, it will save you time on the Geometry section
 - 3, 4, 5
 - 6, 8, 10
 - 5, 12, 13
 - 12, 16, 20
 - 7, 24, 25



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- A right isosceles triangle will have angles that are 90, 45, 45 degrees
- It will have sides that are x , x , and the hypotenuse of $x\sqrt{2}$



Triangles 5

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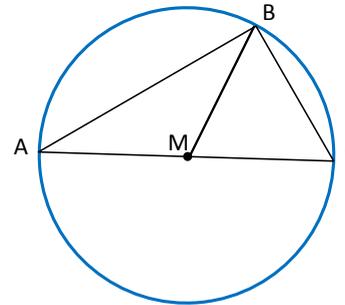
- Name as many properties, relationships, and formulas you know about and equilateral triangle



Triangles 6

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- What can you derive from this figure?
(M is the center of a circle)



Triangles 5 | Answers

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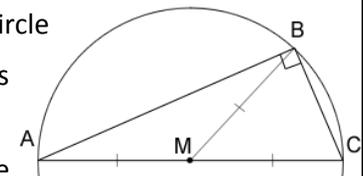
- All sides are equal
- All angles are equal
- Area = $a^2 \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4}$ where a is a side of a triangle
- A height is = $a \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$
- For a given area, an equilateral triangle has the smallest perimeter – it is the most “efficient” triangle



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- AC is the diameter of a circle
- $R = \frac{AC}{2}$ where R is radius
- AM = MC = MB
- Angle ABC is a right angle
- If one of the sides on an inscribed triangle is the circle's diameter, then this is a right triangle regardless of the position of point B



Triangles 7

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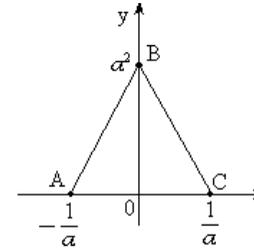
- What is the value of sides in a 30-60-90 triangle?



Triangles 8 (Ultra Hard)

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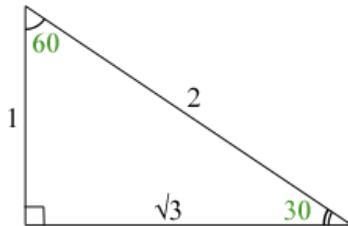
- Is the area of the triangle ABC less than 1?
 - $ABC < 90$ degrees
 - Perimeter of triangle ABC is greater than $\frac{a}{4}$



Triangles 7 | Answers

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- In 30-60-90 triangle, the sides are x , $x\sqrt{3}$, and the hypotenuse is $2x$ (double the size of the smallest side)



Triangles 8 | Answers

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- The area of the triangle ABC is $\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{a} \right) a^2 = a$
- Statement (1) by itself is sufficient. In the extreme case when Angle ABC is right, the triangle BOC is isosceles and thus $a^2 = \frac{1}{a}$ and the area of the triangle ABC is $a = 1$. If angle ABC is smaller than 90 degrees, then the area exceeds 1 due to the increase of the height a^2 .
- Statement (2) by itself is insufficient. As long as $a > 0$, the perimeter of the triangle ABC is always greater than $\frac{4}{a}$
- The correct answer is A.



Circles

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Please define the following:

- Center - ?
- Radius - ?
- Diameter - ?
- Circumference - ?
- Area - ?
- Chord - ?
- Tangent - ?
- Secant - ?



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- Area of a circle = ?
- Length of a circle = ?
- $\pi = ?$



Circles | Answers

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- Center – A point inside the circle. All points on the circle are equidistant from the center
- Radius – distance between the center and any point on the circle. It is half the diameter
- Diameter – a chord passing through the center
- Circumference – distance around the circle
- Area – a region enclosed by the circle
- Chord – a line segment linking any two points on a circle
- Tangent – line touching the circle at one point only; tangent lines are always at 90 degrees to the radius
- Secant – a line that intersects a circle in 2 points



Circles 2 | Answers

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- Area of a circle = πR^2
- Length of a circle = $2\pi R$
- $\pi = 3.14 \approx 3 \approx \frac{22}{7}$



Coordinate Geometry

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- What is the equation of the slope of a line?



Coordinate Geometry 2

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- If a line has a negative slope less than 1 – what does it say about the line?



Coordinate Geometry | Answers

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- Slope of a line equation:

$$\frac{\text{rise}}{\text{run}} = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1}$$

Where x and y are coordinates of point 1 and point 2 on that line.



Coordinate Geometry 2 | Answers

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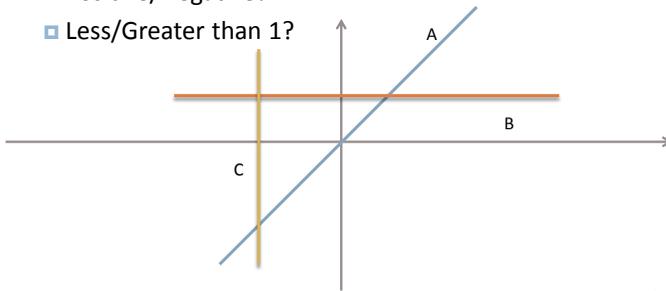
- Negative slope – means line moves from the upper left hand quadrant (Q2) to the bottom right hand quadrant (Q4) or in simple terms, it is a decreasing line. Positive slope means the opposite (duh)
- Since the slope is less than 1, it is a flat line (as opposed to steep). Since slope is rise over run, in this case, there is less rise than run



Coordinate Geometry 3

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- What slopes do Lines A, B, and C have?
 - ▣ Positive/Negative?
 - ▣ Less/Greater than 1?



Coordinate Geometry 4

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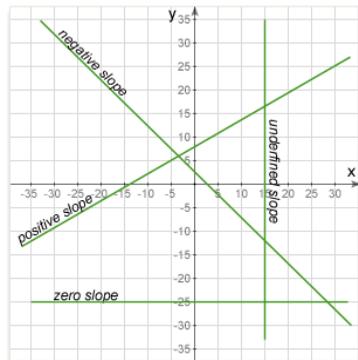
- How to find the X and Y intercepts of a line?



Coordinate Geometry 3 | Answers

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- **Line A**
 - ▣ Positive Slope
 - ▣ Slope greater than 1
- **Line B**
 - ▣ Slope is neither positive or negative
 - ▣ Slope is Zero
- **Line C**
 - ▣ Slope is undefined



Coordinate Geometry 4 | Answers

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- Best option is to plug in the values into the equation of the line
- For example, a line is $y = mx + b$
- To find the Y intercept (this is when the line crosses the Y axis and thus X is zero) solve: $y = b$
- To find X intercept (this is when the line crosses the X axis and Y is zero) solve: $0 = mx + b$
- The trick is to use $Y = 0$ when looking for X intercept and $X = 0$ when looking for Y intercept



Coordinate Geometry 5

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- If line M with a slope of $\frac{5}{9}$ goes through points $A(-5, -2)$ and $B(4, 3)$, what is the length of the segment AB ?



Coordinate Geometry 6

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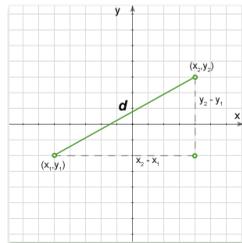
- Find the equation of a line passing through the points **A (5,4)** and **B (2,3)**



Coordinate Geometry 5 | Answers

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- The slope information in this is irrelevant
- To find distance between A and B is calculated using the Pythagorean Theorem by drawing a triangle
- $9^2 + 5^2 = d^2$
- $\sqrt{81 + 25} = d$
- $d = \sqrt{106}$



Coordinate Geometry 6 | Answers

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- **A (5,4)** and **B (6,3)**
- To find an equation of a line based on two points, use this formula: $\frac{y-y_1}{x-x_1} = \frac{y_1-y_2}{x_1-x_2}$
- $\frac{y-4}{x-5} = \frac{4-3}{5-6}$; $\frac{y-4}{x-5} = \frac{1}{-1}$
- $-y + 4 = x - 5$
- $y = -x + 9$



Coordinate Geometry 7

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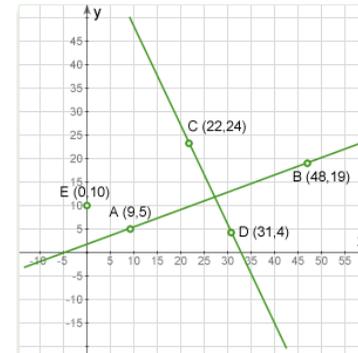
- If lines A and B are perpendicular to each other, what is the relationship between their slopes?
 - A. Inverse
 - B. Opposite
 - C. Positive
 - D. Reciprocal
 - E. Reciprocal and Negative



Coordinate Geometry 8

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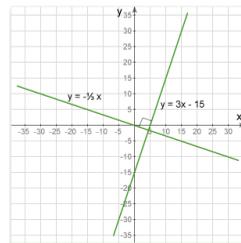
- Are the two lines below perpendicular?



Coordinate Geometry 7 | Answers

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- The relationship between slopes of 2 perpendicular lines is negative reciprocal $-\frac{1}{m}$. In other words, the two lines are perpendicular if and only if the product of their slopes is -1.
- E.g. $3 \times -\frac{1}{3} = -1$



Coordinate Geometry 8 | Answers

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- To answer, find the slope of each line and then check to see if one slope is the negative reciprocal of the other or if their product equals to -1.
- Slope AB = $\frac{5-19}{9-48} = \frac{-14}{-39} = \frac{14}{39}$
- Slope CD = $\frac{24-4}{22-31} = \frac{20}{-9} = -\frac{20}{9}$
- Multiply the slopes: $\frac{14}{39} \times \frac{20}{9} \neq -1$;
- **Not Perpendicular**



Coordinate Geometry 9

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- What is the point of intersection of two lines that have the following equations:
 $y=3x-3$ and $y=2.3x+4$?



Coordinate Geometry 10 (Hard)

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- Does the curve $(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 = 16$ intersect the Y axis?
 - 1) $a^2 + b^2 > 16$
 - 2) $a = |b| + 5$



Coordinate Geometry 9 | Answers

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- The key to solving the intersection questions is that at the point of intersection, both lines will have the same X and Y coordinates.
- Thus, if Y coordinates are the same, then we can put the two equations together: $3x-3 = 2.3x+4$
- $0.7x = 7$; $x = 10$
- Now we still need to find the Y intercept. Plug 10 into one of the equations: $3*10-3 = 27$
- **Intersection point: (10, 27)**



Coordinate Geometry 10 | Answers

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- $(x - a)^2 + (y - b)^2 = 16$ is the equation of a circle centered at with radius 4.
- Statement (1) by itself is insufficient. S1 says that the center of the circle is further than 4 units away from the origin but it doesn't specify whether the circle is far enough from the axis not to intersect it.
- Statement (2) by itself is sufficient. From S2 it follows that and thus the center of the circle is at least 5 units away from the axis. As the radius of the circle is only 4 units, we can conclude that the circle does not intersect the axis.
- **The correct answer is B. Statement 2 is sufficient.**

