## Lesson 5.6 - Properties of Special Parallelograms

Rhombus Diagonals Conjecture - The diagonals of a rhombus are perpendicular, and they bisect each other.


Rhombus Angles Conjecture - The diagonals of a rhombus bisect the angles of the rhombus.


Rectangle Diagonals Conjecture - The diagonals of a rectangle are congruent and bisect each other.


## REMINDER

**Remember that a square is both a rhombus and a rectangle, so each of the previous three conjectures apply to a square as well.**

Example 1: Find each missing measure
$P Q R S$ is a rectangle and $O S=16$.
$O Q=$ $\qquad$
$m \angle Q R S=$ $\qquad$
$P R=$ $\qquad$


We know that the diagonals of a rectangle bisect each other (cut each other in half). So, since $O S=16$, we know that $O Q$ should also equal sixteen.
$O Q=16$

Since we are told that $P Q R S$ is a rectangle, we know that each of the angles of $P Q R S$ is a right angle.
$m \angle Q R S=90^{\circ}$

We know that $O S=16$. We determined that $O Q=16$. That means that $S Q=32$. Since the diagonals of a rectangle are congruent, then $P R$ should be the same as $S Q$.
$P R=32$

Example 2: Find each missing measure
$K L M N$ is a square and $N M=8$.
$m \angle O K L=$ $\qquad$
$m \angle M O L=$ $\qquad$
Perimeter $K L M N=$ $\qquad$


Since $K L M N$ is a square, we know that all of the angles of $K L M N$ are right angles. We also know that the angles of a rhombus (remember that a square is a type of rhombus) are bisected by the diagonals. This means that each right angle is cut in half by the diagonals.
$\frac{90}{2}=45$
$m \angle O K L=45^{\circ}$

The diagonals of a rhombus are perpendicular (Rhombus Diagonals Conjecture). Remember that perpendicular means intersecting at right angles.
$m \angle M O L=90^{\circ}$

We know that squares are equilateral. So, to find the perimeter of the square, we need to multiply a side length by 4 .
$8 \cdot 4=32$
Perimeter KLMN = 32

## Example 3: Find each missing measure

$A B C D$ is a rhombus, $A D=11$, and $D O=6$.
$O B=$ $\qquad$
$B C=$ $\qquad$
$m \angle A O D=$ $\qquad$


The diagonals of a rhombus bisect each other. So, $D O=O B$.
$O B=6$

A rhombus is equilateral. So, all sides of the rhombus are congruent.
$B C=11$

The diagonals of a rhombus are perpendicular.
$m \angle A O D=90^{\circ}$

Example 4: Match the description with all the terms that fit it
a. Trapezoid
b. Isosceles triangle
c. Parallelogram
d. Rhombus
e. Kite
f. Rectangle
g. Square
h. All quadrilaterals
$\qquad$ Diagonals bisect each other.

The figures that have diagonals that bisect each other are parallelogram, rhombus, rectangle, and square. So, c, d, f, g.

Example 5: Match the description with all the terms that fit it
a. Trapezoid
b. Isosceles triangle
c. Parallelogram
d. Rhombus
e. Kite
f. Rectangle
g. Square
h. All quadrilaterals
$\qquad$ Diagonals are perpendicular.

The figures that have diagonals that are perpendicular are rhombus, square, and kite. So, d, e, g.

## Example 6: Match the description with all the terms that fit it

a. Trapezoid
b. Isosceles triangle
c. Parallelogram
d. Rhombus
e. Kite
f. Rectangle
g. Square
h. All quadrilaterals
$\qquad$ Diagonals are congruent,

The figures that have diagonals that are congruent are rectangle, and square. So, f, g.
**An isosceles trapezoid has diagonals that are congruent, but not all trapezoids.

Example 7: Match the description with all the terms that fit it
a. Trapezoid
b. Isosceles triangle
c. Parallelogram
d. Rhombus
e. Kite
f. Rectangle
g. Square
h. All quadrilaterals
$\qquad$ Measures of interior angles sum to $360^{\circ}$.

All quadrilaterals have interior angles that add to $360^{\circ}$. So, a, $\mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d}, \mathbf{e}, \mathbf{f}, \mathbf{g}, \mathbf{h}$.

Example 8: Match the description with all the terms that fit it
a. Trapezoid
b. Isosceles triangle
c. Parallelogram
d. Rhombus
e. Kite
f. Rectangle
g. Square
h. All quadrilaterals
$\qquad$ Opposite sides are congruent.

The figures that have opposite sides congruent are parallelogram, rhombus, rectangle, and square. So, c, d, f, g.

Example 9: Match the description with all the terms that fit it
a. Trapezoid
b. Isosceles triangle
c. Parallelogram
d. Rhombus
e. Kite
f. Rectangle
g. Square
h. All quadrilaterals
__Opposite angles are congruent.

The figures that have opposite angles congruent are parallelogram, rhombus, rectangle, and square. So, c, d, f, g.
**A kite does have one set of opposite angles (the nonvertex angles) that are congruent. However, since the vertex angles are not congruent, I excluded kite from this set.

Example 10: Match the description with all the terms that fit it
a. Trapezoid
b. Isosceles triangle
c. Parallelogram
d. Rhombus
e. Kite
f. Rectangle
g. Square
h. All quadrilaterals
$\qquad$ Both diagonals bisect angles.

The figures that have both diagonals bisecting angles are rhombus, and square. So, d, g.

## Example 11: Match the description with all the terms that fit it

a. Trapezoid
b. Isosceles triangle
c. Parallelogram
d. Rhombus
e. Kite
f. Rectangle
g. Square
h. All quadrilaterals
$\qquad$ Diagonals are perpendicular bisectors of each other.

The figures that have diagonals that are perpendicular bisectors of each other are rhombus, and square. So, d, g.

