NCERT Solutions for Class 10 MATHS – Triangles

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(i) All squares are ...... (similar, congruent) (ii) All ..... triangles are similar. (isosceles, equilateral) (iii) (iv) Two polygons of the same number of sides are similar, if (a) their corresponding angles are Sol. (i) similar **(ii)** similar (iii) equilateral Proportional (iv) **(a)** Equal **(b)** 2. Give two different examples of pair of (i) Similar figures. (ii) non-similar figures.

Fill in the blanks using the correct word given in brackets:

Sol. (i) (a) Two equilateral triangles with sides 1 cm and 2 cm.

(b) Two squares with sides 1 cm and 2 cm.







(ii) (a) Trapezium and square



(b) Triangle and parallelogram



**3.** State whether the following quadrilaterals are similar or not:



- **Sol.** Since, the corresponding angles of both the figures are not equal, the figures given are not similar.
- 4. State which pairs of triangles in Figure are similar. Write the similarity criterion used by you for answering the question and also write the pairs of similar triangles in the symbolic form :















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5. Let  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  and their areas be, respectively,  $64 \text{ cm}^2$  and  $121 \text{ cm}^2$ . If EF = 15.4 cm, find BC.

Sol.

We have 
$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$$
  
So,  $\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{CA}{FD}$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad \frac{ar(\triangle ABC)}{ar(\triangle DEF)} = \left(\frac{BC}{EF}\right)^2$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad \frac{64}{121} = \left(\frac{BC}{15.4}\right)^2$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad \frac{8}{11} = \frac{BC}{15.4}$   
 $\Rightarrow \quad BC = \frac{8 \times 15.4}{11} = 11.2 \, cm$ 

- 6. Diagonals of a trapezium ABCD with  $AB \parallel DC$  intersect each other at the point O. If AB = 2 CD, find the ratio of the areas of triangles AOB and COD.
- Sol. ABCD is a trapezium with  $AB \parallel DC$  and AB = 2CD

In  $\triangle AOB$  and  $\triangle COD$ ,

 $\angle 1 = \angle 2$ 

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 $\angle AOB = \angle COD$ 

 $\Delta AOB \sim \Delta COD$ 

 $\frac{ar\Delta AOB}{ar\Delta COD} = \frac{AB^2}{CD^2}$ 

 $\Rightarrow$ 



 $ar \Delta AOB$ :  $ar \Delta COD = 4:1$ 

[V.O.A]

[AA]

 $=\frac{(2CD)^{2}}{CD^{2}}=\frac{4CD^{2}}{CD^{2}}=\frac{4}{1}$ 

[Alternate angles]



7. In Figure, ABC and DBC are two triangles on the same base BC. If AD intersects BC at O, show that  $\frac{ar(ABC)}{ar(DBC)} = \frac{AO}{DO}$ 



Sol. Draw  $AL \perp BC$  and  $DM \perp BC$ 



Hence proved.





8. Sides of two similar triangles are in the ratio 4 : 9. Areas of these triangles are in the ratio 2:3(b) 4:981:16 (d) 16:81 (a) (c) Sol. (**d**) Areas of two similar triangles are in the ratio of the squares of their corresponding sides. Ratio of areas of triangles  $=\left(\frac{4}{9}\right)^2 = \frac{16}{81}$  or 16:81... 9. Sides of triangles are given below. Determine which of them are right triangles. In case of a right triangle, write the length of its hypotenuse. (i) 7 cm, 24 cm, 25 cm (ii) 3 cm, 8 cm, 6 cm (iii) 50 cm, 80 cm, 100 cm (iv) 13 cm, 12 cm, 5 cm Sol. 7 cm, 24 cm, 25 cm (i)  $(7)^{2} + (24)^{2} = 49 + 576 = 625 = (25)^{2} = 25$ The given sides make a right angled triangle with hypotenuse 25 cm. ·. 3 cm, 8 cm, 6 cm (ii)  $(8)^2 = 64$  $(3)^{2} + (6)^{2} = 9 + 36 = 45$  $64 \neq 45$ The square of larger side is not equal to the sum of squares of other two sides. The given triangle is not a right angled. *.*.. 50 cm, 80 cm, 100 cm (iii)  $(100)^2 = 10000$  $(80)^2 + (50)^2 = 6400 + 2500$ 

= 8900

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The square of larger side is not equal to the sum of squares of other two sides.

The given triangle is not a right angled.

(iv) 13 cm, 12 cm, 5 cm

$$(13)^2 = 169$$

$$(12)^{2} + (5)^{2} = 144 + 25 = 169 = (13)^{2} = 13$$

Sides make a right angled triangle with hypotenuse 13 cm.

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- 10. PQR is a triangle right angled at P and M is a point on QR such that  $PM \perp QR$ . Show that  $PM^2 = QM.MR$ .
- Sol. In a right triangle, perpendicular drawn from right angle to hypotenuse, divides the triangle into two similar triangles.

$$\therefore \qquad \Delta PQM \sim \Delta RPM$$

- $\Rightarrow \frac{ar(\Delta PQM)}{ar(\Delta RPM)} = \frac{PM^2}{RM^2}$  [By Basic Proportionality theorem]
- $\Rightarrow \qquad \frac{QM}{PM} = \frac{PM}{RM}$

$$\Rightarrow PM^2 = QM \times RM$$

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Hence proved.



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