

Class-Notes

Date _____ Period _____

L1: Solving Ratios and Proportions (6.1, 6.2, 6.3)

Goal: Solve problems by writing and solving proportions

Example 1: Solve the proportion.

CROSS-MULTIPLY

$$\frac{3}{x+1} = \frac{2}{x}$$

$$3x = 2(x+1)$$

$$3x = 2x + 2$$

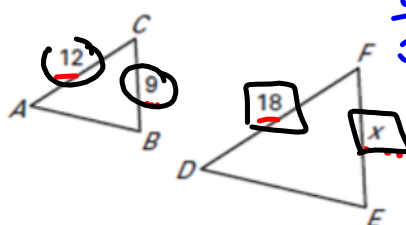
$$-2x \quad -2x$$

$$x = 2$$

~~$3x = 2x + 2$
 $x = 1$~~

Example 2: Use properties of proportions. The triangles are proportional.

A. Find the value of x.



$$\frac{12}{18} = \frac{9}{x}$$

$$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{9}{x}$$

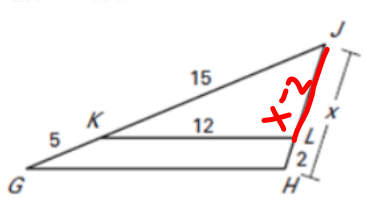
$$2x = 27$$

$$\frac{2x}{2} = \frac{27}{2}$$

$$x = 13.5$$

B. Use the given proportions to solve for the missing information.

$\frac{JL}{LH} = \frac{JK}{KG}$ Find JH and JL.



$$\frac{JL}{LH} = \frac{JK}{KG}$$

$$\frac{12}{x} = \frac{5}{15}$$

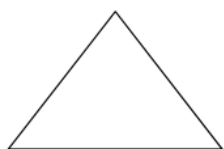
$$12 \cdot 15 = 5x$$

$$180 = 5x$$

$$\frac{180}{5} = \frac{5x}{5}$$

$$x = 36$$

Example 3: The measures of the angles in $\triangle BCD$ are in the extended ratio of 2: 3: 4. Find the measures of the angles.



$$2x + 3x + 4x = 180$$

$$9x = 180$$

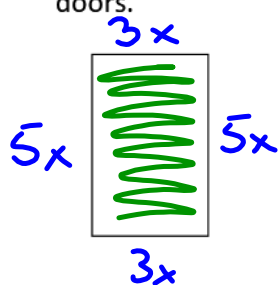
$$x = 20$$

$$2(20) = 40^\circ$$

$$3(20) = 60^\circ$$

$$4(20) = 80^\circ$$

Example 4: You are painting barn doors. You know that the perimeter of the doors is 64 feet and that the ratio of the length to the height is 3:5. Find the length, height and area of the doors.



$$l = 3x \quad h = 5x$$

$$P = 2(3x) + 2(5x) = 64$$

$$16x = 64$$

$$x = 4$$

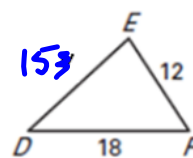
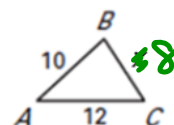
$$l = 3(4) = 12 \text{ ft}$$

$$h(5)(4) = 20 \text{ ft}$$

$$A = l \cdot h = 12 \cdot 20 = 240 \text{ ft}^2$$

Example 5: In the diagram $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$.

A) Solve for x and y.



$$\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF} = \frac{AC}{DF} \rightarrow \frac{10}{y} = \frac{x}{12} = \frac{12}{18} \left(\frac{2}{3} \right)$$

$$\frac{10}{y} = \frac{2}{3} \rightarrow 2y = 30$$

$$y = 15$$

$$\frac{x}{12} = \frac{2}{3} \rightarrow 3x = 24$$

$$x = 8$$

B. Find the scale factor of $\triangle ABC$ to $\triangle DEF$.

$$\frac{2}{3}$$

C. Find the perimeters of $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$.

$$P_{\triangle ABC} = 30 \quad P_{\triangle DEF} = 45$$

D. Find the ratio of the perimeter of $\triangle ABC$ to $\triangle DEF$. Find the ratio of the perimeter of $\triangle DEF$ to $\triangle ABC$.

$$\frac{P_{\triangle ABC}}{P_{\triangle DEF}} = \frac{30}{45} = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\frac{P_{\triangle DEF}}{P_{\triangle ABC}} = \frac{3}{2}$$

Example 6: Use exchange rates to convert currency.

On Jan 20, 2017, the exchange rate of Euros to American Dollars is 1 to 1.07. If you have \$500 USD for spending money for a trip and want to exchange it, how many Euros will you have?

$$\frac{1 \text{ Eu}}{\$1.07} \rightarrow \frac{x \text{ Eu}}{\$500} \quad \frac{1.07x}{1.07} = \frac{500}{1.07} \quad x \approx 467.29 \text{ Eu}$$