

Geometry 1.2  
Class-Notes

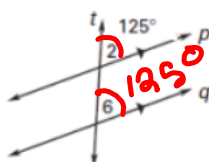
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## 3.2 Use parallel Lines and Transversals

The following four postulates apply to **PARALLEL LINES** cut by a **TRANSVERSAL**.

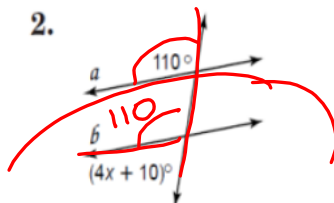
I. **Corresponding angles** postulate: If two lines are parallel and cut by a transversal, then corresponding angles are congruent.

1. Find the  $m\angle 6$



Find  $x$  so that  $a \parallel b$ .

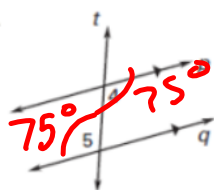
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$$\begin{aligned} 4x + 10 + 110 &= 180 \\ 4x + 120 &= 180 \\ 4x &= 60 \\ x &= 15 \end{aligned}$$

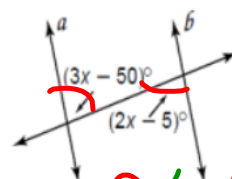
II. **Alternate Interior** angles postulate: If two lines are parallel and cut by a transversal, then alternate interior angles are congruent.

1. If  $m\angle 5 = 75^\circ$ , find  $m\angle 4$ .



Find  $x$  so that  $a \parallel b$ .

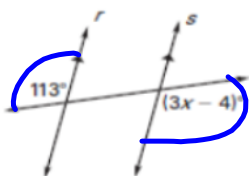
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$$\begin{aligned} 3x - 50 &= 2x - 5 \\ -2x & \quad -2x \\ \hline x - 50 &= -5 \\ +50 & \quad +50 \\ \hline x &= 45 \end{aligned}$$

III. **Alternate Exterior** angles postulate: If two lines are parallel and cut by a transversal, then alternate exterior angles are congruent.

1. Find the value of  $x$ .

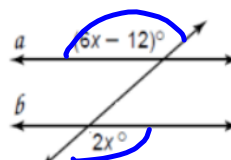


$$113 = 3x - 4$$

$$117 = 3x$$

$$39 = x$$

2. Find  $x$  so that  $a \parallel b$ .



$$2x = 6x - 12$$

$$-6x + 6x = -12 + 12$$

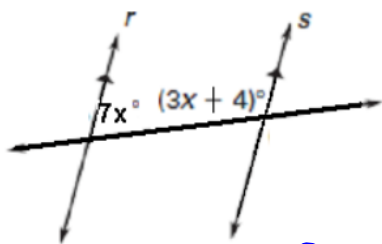
$$-4x = -12$$

$$x = 3$$

same side interior

IV. **Consecutive interior** angles postulate: If two lines are parallel and cut by a transversal, then same side interior/ (consecutive interior) angles are supplementary.

1. Find the value of  $x$ .



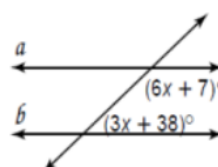
$$7x + 3x + 4 = 180$$

$$10x + 4 = 180$$

$$10x = 176$$

$$x = 17.6$$

2. Find  $x$  so that  $a \parallel b$ .



$$6x + 7 + 3x + 38 = 180$$

$$9x = 135$$

$$x = 15$$