

Grade 9 Unit Assessment - Scale Factors and Similarity

Outcome SS4
Outcome SS3

Draw and interpret scale diagrams of 2-D shapes
Demonstrate an understanding of similarity of polygons

Multiple Choice (5 marks)

- Circle the choice that best answers the question.

1) A penny has a diameter of 19 mm. You used a scale factor of 3 to create a scale drawing of the penny. Which of the following statements about your drawing are true?

- a) You drew an enlargement. The drawing has a diameter of 57 mm.
- b) You drew an enlargement. The drawing has a diameter of about 6.3 mm.
- c) You drew a reduction. The drawing has a diameter of 57 mm.
- d) You drew a reduction. The drawing has a diameter of about 6.3 mm.

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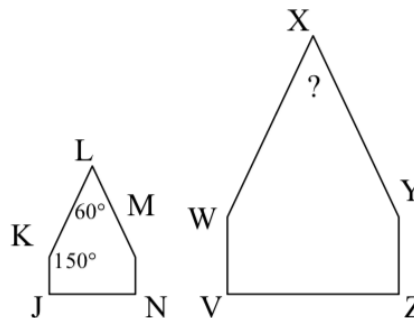
2) A scale of 2:5 means

- a) there are 2 units of the diagram length for every unit of the actual length
- b) there are 2 units of the diagram length for every 5 units of the actual length
- c) there are 5 units of the diagram length for every unit of the actual length
- d) there are 5 units of the diagram length for every 2 units of the actual length

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3) Pentagon JKLMN is similar to pentagon VWXYZ.
What is the measurement of $\angle X$?

- a) 30°
- b) 60°
- c) 120°
- d) 150°



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4) Which of the following describes the diagram of a square after the actual square was reduced by a scale factor of 0.5?

- a) Its sides are 0.5 units longer than those of the actual square
- b) Its sides are 2 times as long as those of the actual square
- c) Its sides are 0.5 times as long as those of the actual square
- d) Its sides are 0.5 units shorter than those of the actual square

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5) Which of the following statements is true?

- a) Similar triangles have different side lengths but equal corresponding angles
- b) Similar triangles have equal side lengths but different corresponding angles
- c) Similar triangles have different side lengths and different corresponding angles
- d) Similar triangles have equal side lengths and equal corresponding angles

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Long Answer (17 marks)

- Show your work to receive full marks!

6) A digital picture on a computer screen is 8.2 mm wide. When the picture is printed it is enlarged by a scale of 1:3.5. Determine the width of the printed picture.

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7) The scale diagram of a basketball court uses a scale of 1:280. The length of the court measures 10 cm in the diagram.

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a) Determine the actual length of the court in cm.

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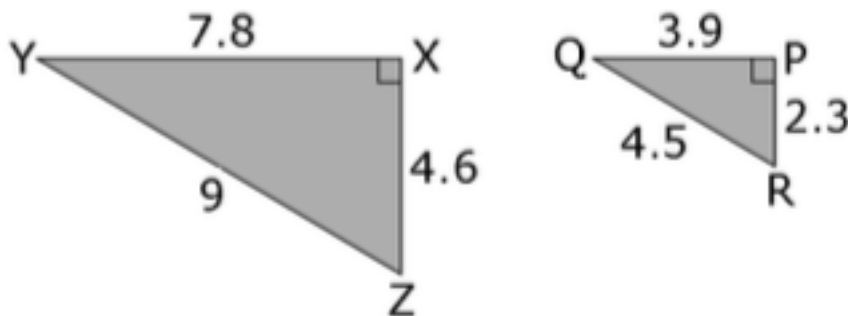
b) Determine the actual length of the court in m.

8) Mrs. Coe designed a tote bag. In the design, the length of the bag is 8 cm. The actual length of the bag is 20 cm. Determine the scale factor Mrs. Coe used in her design.

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9) Determine if the two triangles are similar.

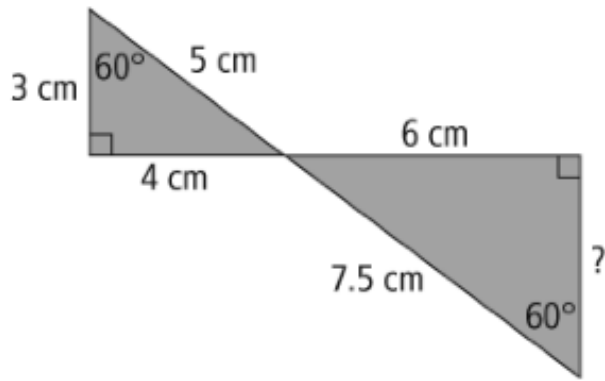
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10) The two triangles below are similar. Determine the missing side length.

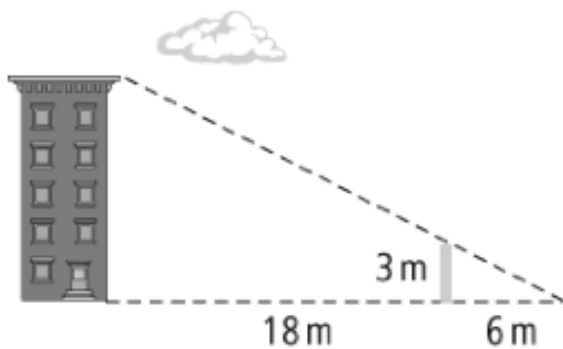
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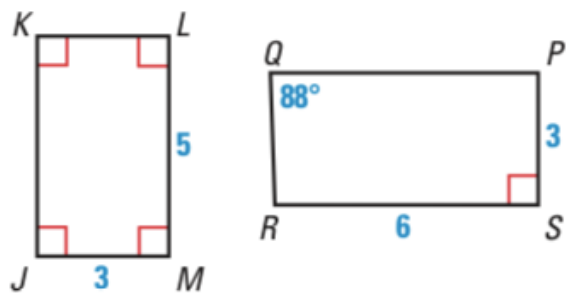
11) Examine the diagram below. What is the height of the building?

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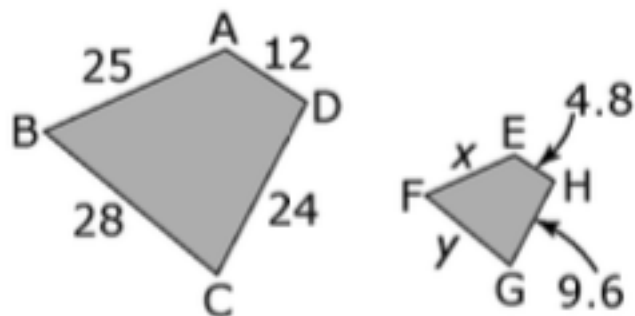
12) Explain how you know the following polygons are not similar.



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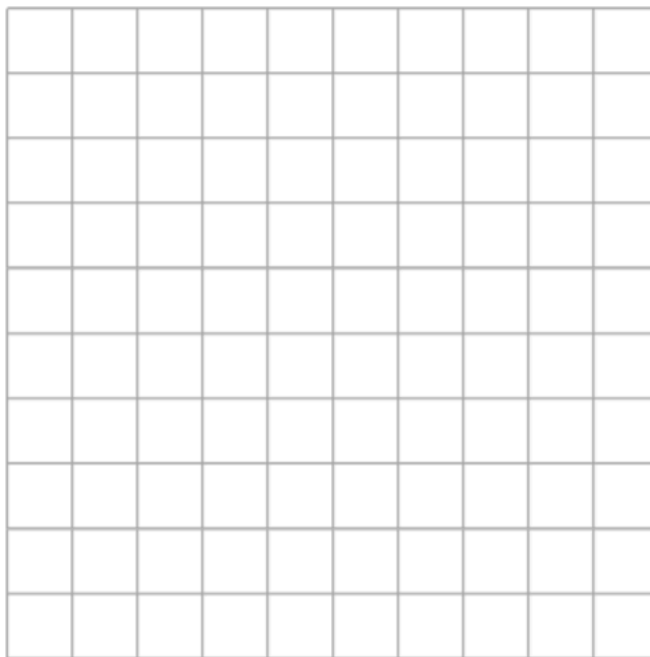
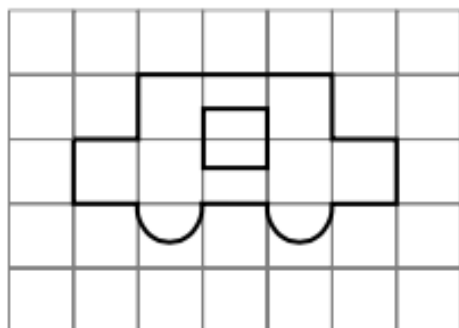
13) ADCB is similar to EHGF. Determine the missing sides x and y.

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14) Draw an enlargement of the figure using a scale factor of 2.



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Score for Scale Factors & Similarity: $\frac{\quad}{25} =$