## Similar Polygons

A polygon is a two-dimensional closed figure made of three or more line segments.


Similar polygons - have the same shape but different size

- have equal corresponding angles
- have proportional corresponding sides


Corresponding Angles Corresponding Sides

| $\angle W$ | and | $\angle P$ | $W X$ and $P Q$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\angle X$ | and | $\angle Q$ | $X Y$ and $Q R$ |
| $\angle Y$ | and $\angle R$ | $Y Z$ and $R S$ |  |
| $\angle Z$ | and $\angle S$ | $Z W$ and $S P$ |  |

We can say $W X Y Z \sim P Q R S$.

## Example 1 - Identifying Similar Polygons

Determine if $W X Y Z$ is similar to $P Q R S$.


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SS3 - Demonstrate an understanding of similarity of polygons

## Example 2 - Identifying Similar Polygons

Determine if $A B C D \sim E F G H$.


## Example 3 - Determining a Missing Side

$J K L M$ is similar to $B C D E$. Determine the missing side JM.


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## Example 4 - Determining a Missing Side

$A B C D$ is similar to $N M P O$. Determine the missing side.


## Example 5 - Determining a Missing Side

A piece of cardboard is cut showing the inner and outer boundaries of a pair of similar quadrilaterals. Determine the missing sides for the inner quadrilateral.

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