

Similar Triangles

Key Points

- 1. Similar Triangles : Two triangles are said to be similar if their corresponding angles are equal and their corresponding sides are proportional.
- 2. Criteria for Similarity :
 - in $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$

(*i*) AAA Similarity :
$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$$
 when $\angle A \angle D$, $\angle B = \angle E$ and $\angle C = \angle F$

(ii) SAS similarity :

$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$$
 when $\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{BC}{EF}$ and $\angle B = \angle E$

(iii) SSS Similarty: $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$, $\frac{AB}{DE} = \frac{AC}{DF} = \frac{BC}{EF}$

3. The proof of the following theorems can be asked in the exmination :

- (*i*) **Basic Proportionality Theoren:** If a line is drawn parallel to one side of a triangle to intersect the other sides in distinct points, the other two sides are divided in the same ratio.
- (*ii*) The ratio of areas of two similar triangles is equal to the square of the ratio of their corresponding sides.
- (*iii*) **Pythagoras Theorm:** In a right triangles the square of the hypotenuse is equal to the sum of the squares of the other two sides.
- (*iv*) Converse of pythagoras thearem— In a triangle, if the square of one side is equal to the sum of squares of other two sides then the angle oppo site to the first side is a right angle
- 1. Is the triangle with sides 12cm, and 18 cm a right triangle? Give reason.
- 2. If $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle QRP$, $\frac{\text{Area}(\triangle ABC)}{\text{Area}(\triangle PQR)} = \frac{9}{4}$, AB = 18*cm*, BC = 15*cm*, then find the

length of PR.

3. In the fig., $LM = LN = 46^\circ$, Express x in terms of a, b and c.



- 5. It is given that $\triangle DEF \sim \triangle RPQ$. Is it true to say that $\angle D = \angle R$ and $\angle F = \angle P$?
- 6. If the corresponding Medians of two similar triangles are in the ratio 5 : 7, Then Find the ratio of their sides.
- 7. A right angled triangle has its area numerically equal to its perimeter. The length of each side is an even number and the hypotenuse is 10cm. What is the perimeter of the triangle?
- 8. An aeroplane leaves an airport and flies due west at a speed of 2100 km/hr. At the same time, another aeroplane leaves the same place at airport and flies due south at a speed of 2000 km/hr. How far apart will be the two planes after 1 hour?
- 9. The areas of two similar $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$ are 225 cm² and 81 cm² respectively. If the longest side of the larger triangle $\triangle ABC$ be 30 cm, find the langest side of the smaller triangle DEF.
- **10.** In the figure, if $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle PQR$, find the value of *x*?





12. In figure, find the value of *x* which will make DE || AB?



- **13.** If $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$, BC = 3EF and ar ($\triangle ABC$) = 11 7cm² find area ($\triangle DEF$).
- 14. If $\triangle ABC$ and $\triangle DEF$ are similar triangles such that $\angle A = 45^{\circ}$ and $\angle F = 56^{\circ}$, then find $\angle C$.
- **15.** If the ratio of the corresponding sides of two similar triangles is 2 : 3, then find the ratio of their corresponding attitudes.

SHORT ANSWER TYPE (I) QUESTIONS

16. In the given fig. PQ = 24cm , QR = 26cm, $\angle PAR = 90^{\circ}$, PA = 6cm and AR = 8cm, find $\angle QPR$. Q



17. In the given fig., $DE \parallel AC$ and $DF \parallel AE$. Prove that



- **18.** In $\triangle ABC$, $AD \perp BC$ Such that $AD^2 = BD \times CD$. Prove that $\triangle ABC$ is right angled at A.
- **19.** In the given fig, D and E are points on sides AB and CA of \triangle ABC such that $\angle B = \angle AED$. Show that $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle AED$.



20. In the given fig., AB || DC and diagonals AC and BD intersects at O. If OA = 3x - 1 and OB = 2x + 1, OC = 5x - 3 and OD = 6x - 5, find x.



21. In the fig, PQR is a triangle, right angled at Q. If $XY \parallel QR$, PQ = 6cm, PY = 4cm & PX : XQ = 1 : 2 Calculate the lengths of PR and QR.



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23. In the figure, ABCD is a parallelogram. AE divides the line segment BD in the ratio 1 : 2. If BE = 1.5cm find BC.



24. In the given figure, $\triangle ODC \sim \triangle OBA$, $\angle BOC = 115^{\circ}$ and $\angle CDO = 70$ find, (i) $\angle DOC$, (ii) $\angle DCO$, (iii) $\angle OAB$, (iv) $\angle OBA$.



25. Perimeter of two equilateral triangles ABC and PQR are 144m and 96m, find ar (ΔABC) : ar (ΔPQR)

SHORT ANSWER TYPE (II) QUESTION

26. In the figure, $\frac{QR}{QS} = \frac{QT}{PR}$ and $\angle 1 = \angle 2$ them prove that $\triangle PQS \sim \triangle TQR$



- **27.** In equilateral $\triangle ABC$, $AD \perp BC$. Prove that $3 BC^2 = 4AD^2$.
- **28.** In $\triangle ABC$, $\angle ACB = 90^\circ$, also $CD \perp AB$, Prove that $\frac{BC^2}{AC^2} = \frac{BD}{AD}$.

29. In the adjoining figure $\triangle ABC \& \triangle DBC$ are on the same base BC. AD & BC



- **30.** In $\triangle ABC$, If AD is the median, Show that $AB^2 + AC^2 = 2(AD^2 + BD^2)$
- **31.** In $\triangle ABC$, $\angle C$ is a right angle. Points P & Q lies on the sides CA & CB respectively Prove that $AQ^2 + BP^2 = AB^2 + PQ^2$
- **32.** If AD and PS are medians of \triangle ABC and \triangle PQR respectively where \triangle ABC ~

$$\Delta PQR$$
, Prove that $\frac{AB}{PQ} = \frac{AD}{PS}$

- **33.** In an equilateral $\triangle ABC$, $AD \perp BC$, Prove that $3AB^2 = 4AD^2$
- **34.** In the given fig, $DE \parallel AC$. which of the following is correct?



- **35.** Prove that the sum of the square of the sides of a rhombus is equal to the sum of the squares of its diagonals;
- **36.** A street light bulb is fixed on a pole 6*m* above the level of the street. If a woman of height 1.5*m* casts a shadow of 3*m*, find how for she is away from the base of the pole.
- **37.** Two poles of height *a* metres and *b* metres are p metres apart. Prove that the height of the point of intersection of the lines joining the top of each pole to the

foot of the opposite pole is gives by $\frac{ab}{a+b}$ metres.



38. In the given fig., find the value of x in terms of a, b and c



39. In fig., AB \parallel PQ \parallel CD, AB = x units. CD = y units and PQ = z units. Prove that



40. In the given fig., $\frac{PS}{SQ} = \frac{PT}{TR}$ and $\angle PST = \angle PRQ$. Prove that PQR is an isosceles Δ .



41. In the figure, D is a point on the side BC of \triangle ABC such that \angle ADC = \angle BAC





42. In the figure, ABCD is a trapezium in which AB || DC, the diagonals AC & BD



43. In the figure, a point O inside $\triangle ABC$ is joined to its vertices. From a point D on AO, DE is drawn parallel to AB & from E, EF is drawn parallel to BC. Prove that DF $\parallel AC$.



44. Two triangles BAC and BDC, right angled at A and D respectively, are drawn on the same base BC and on the same side of BC. If AC and DB intersect at P, Prove that $AP \times PC = DP \times PB$



45. Hypotenuse of a right triangle is 25 cm and out of the remaining two sides, one is larger than the other by 5 cm, find the lengths of the other two sides.





47. In a quadrilateral ABCD, $\angle B = 90^\circ$, $AD^2 = AB^2 + BC^2 + CD^2$. Prove that $\angle ACD = 90^\circ$



48. In figure, DE || BC, DE = 3cm, BC = 9cm and $ar(\Delta ADE) = 30cm^2$. Find ar (trap. BCED).



- **49.** State and prove Pythagoras theorem.
- **50.** In an equilateral $\triangle ABC$, D is *a* point on side BC such that $BD = \frac{1}{3}$ BC. Prove that $9AD^2 = 7AB^2$.
- **51.** IN \triangle PQR, PD \perp QR such that D lies on QR. If PQ = a, PR = b, QD = c and DR = d and a, b, c, d are positive units. Prove that (a + b)(a b) = (c + d)(c d).
- **52.** In a trapezium ABCD, AB \parallel DC and DC = 2AB. If EF is drawn parallel to AB

cuts AD in F and BC in E such that $\frac{BE}{BC} = \frac{3}{4}$. Diagonals DB intersects EF at G Prove that 7 EF = 10AB.

53. Prove that the ratio of the areas of two similar triangles is equal to the ratio of the squares of their corresponding sides.

54. In the given figure, the line segment XY is Parallel to AC of \triangle ABC and it

divides the triangle into two parts of equal areas. Prove that $\frac{AX}{AB} = \frac{\sqrt{2}-1}{\sqrt{2}}$



55. Through the vertex D of a parallelogram ABCD, a line is drawn to intersect the sides BA and BC produced at E and F respectively. Prove that

 $\frac{DA}{AE} = \frac{FB}{BE} = \frac{FC}{CD}$

56. Prove dthat if in a triangle, the square on one side is equal to the sum of the squares on the other two sides, then the angle opposite to the first side is a right angle.

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ANSWERS

1.	No	2.	10cm
3.	$x = \frac{ac}{b+c}$	4.	5cm
5.	$\angle D = \angle R$ true, $\angle F = \angle P$ false	6.	5:7
7.	24cm	8.	2900km
9.	18cm	10.	x = 3
11.	1:3	12.	x = 2
13.	13cm ²	14.	56°
15.	2:3	16.	90°
20.	x = 2	21.	PR = 12cm, QR $6\sqrt{3}$ cm
22.	2.5 cm	23.	3cm
24.	65°, 45°, 45°, 70°	25.	9:4
34.	$x = \frac{ay}{a+b}$	36.	9m
38.	$x = \frac{ac}{b+c}$	45.	15cm, 20cm
48.	240 cm ²		

Practice-Test

Similar Triangles

MM: 20

Duration : 50 Minutes

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- 1. The lengths of the diagonals of rhombus are 16cm and 12cm. find the side of the rhombus.
- 2. In an equilateral $\triangle ABC$, $AD \perp BC$ and $\frac{AD^2}{BC^2} = x$ find the volue of x. 1
- 3. In $\triangle ABC$, if $DE \parallel BC$, AD = x + 1, DB = x 1, AE = x + 3 and EC = x, then find the value of x.
- 4. In the given figure, can triangle ABC be similar to $\triangle PBC$? If yes, give reasons.
- 5. PQR is a right angled triangle, having $\angle Q = 90^\circ$, If QS = SR, Show that $PR^2 = 4PS^2 3PQ^2$.
- 6. In figure, DE || BC and AD : DB = 5 : 4, find $\frac{\text{Area}(\Box \text{DFE})}{\text{Area}(\Box \text{CFB})}$ 3



7. State and prove pythagoras theorem. 4 8. In as equilateral Δ LMN, the side MN is trisected tO. prove that $\frac{\text{LO}^2}{\text{LM}^2} = \frac{7}{9}$. 4

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