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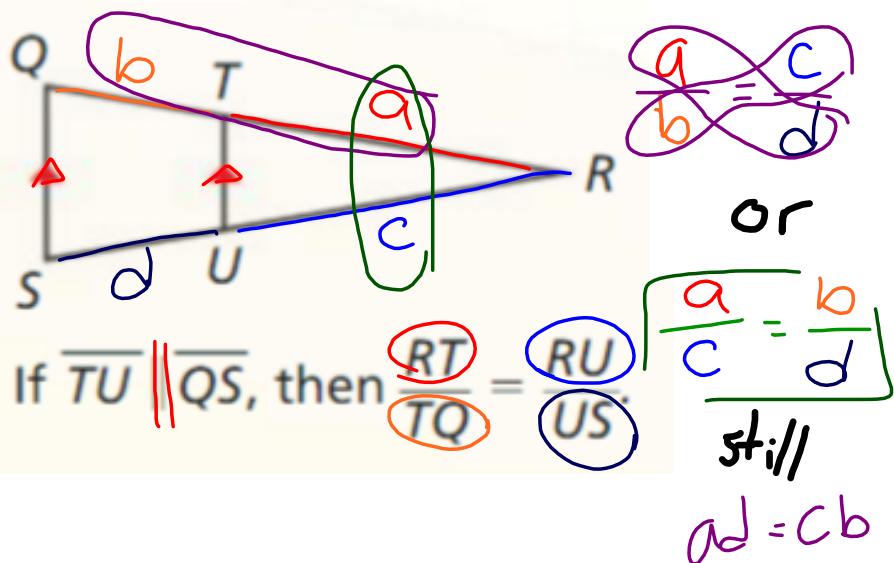
Notes

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Similarity Theorems

Side Splitter
Theorem

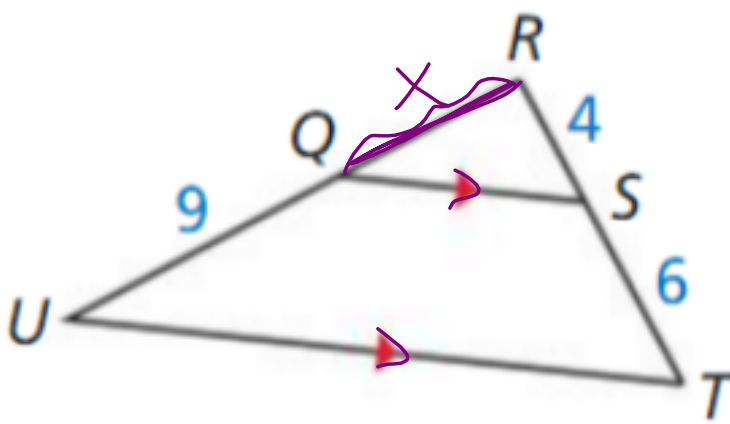
If a line parallel to one side of a triangle intersects the other two sides, then it divides the two sides proportionally.



Example #3

Finding the Length of a Segment

In the diagram, $\overline{QS} \parallel \overline{UT}$, $RS = 4$, $ST = 6$, and $QU = 9$. What is the length of \overline{RQ} ?



$$\frac{x}{9} = \frac{4}{6}$$

$$6x = 9 \cdot 4$$

$$6x = 36$$

$$x = 6$$

$RQ = 6$

Example #4

Re-Draw
the
Triangles
Separately

Sides inside are **not split** with same ratio

Find the values of the variables below.

(Hint: $y \neq 37.5$)

Use side splitter
for side

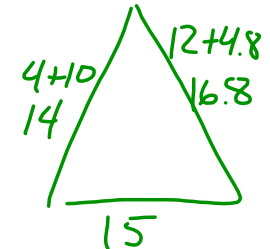
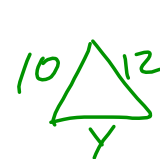
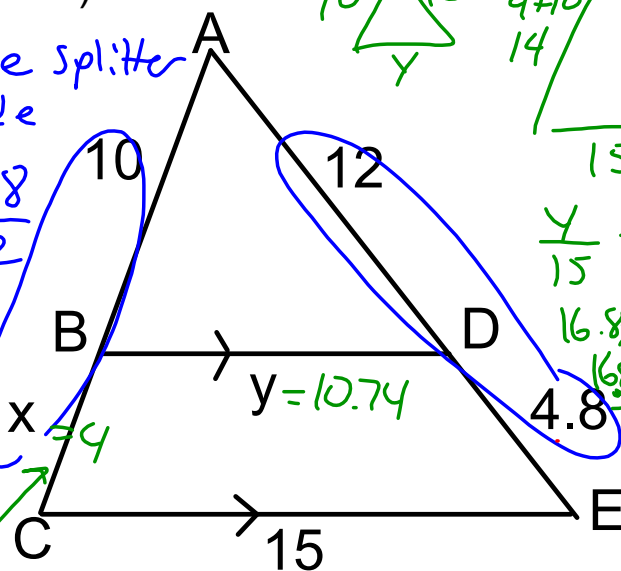
$$\frac{x}{10} = \frac{4.8}{12}$$

$$12x = 10 \cdot 4.8$$

$$12x = 48$$

$$\frac{12}{12} = \frac{12}{12}$$

$x = 4$



$$\frac{y}{15} = \frac{12}{16.8}$$

$$16.8x = 15 \cdot 12$$

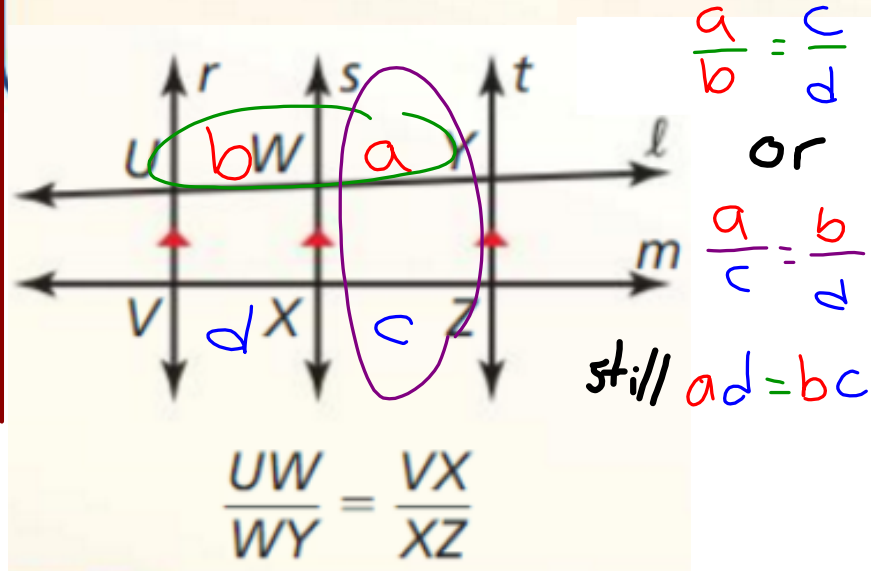
$$\frac{16.8x}{16.8} = \frac{180}{16.8}$$

$$x = 10.74$$

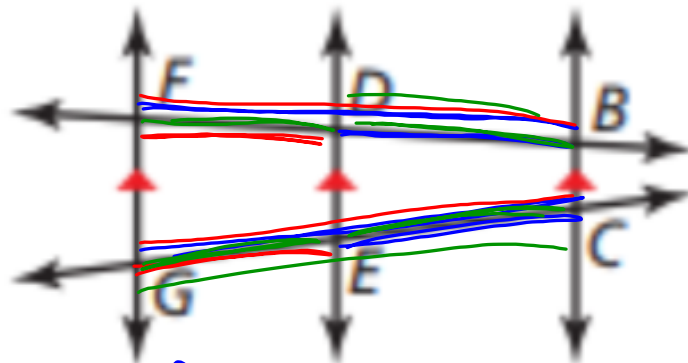
Extended Side Splitter

If three parallel lines intersect two transversals, then they divide the transversals proportionally.

- Multiple lines are parallel
- Not in a Triangle



In Exercises 13–16, use the diagram to complete the proportion.



13. $\frac{BD}{BF} = \frac{CE}{CG}$

Part: BD , CE
 Whole: BF , CG

14. $\frac{CG}{EG} = \frac{BF}{DF}$

Whole: CG , BF
 Part: EG , DF

15. $\frac{EG}{CE} = \frac{DF}{BD}$

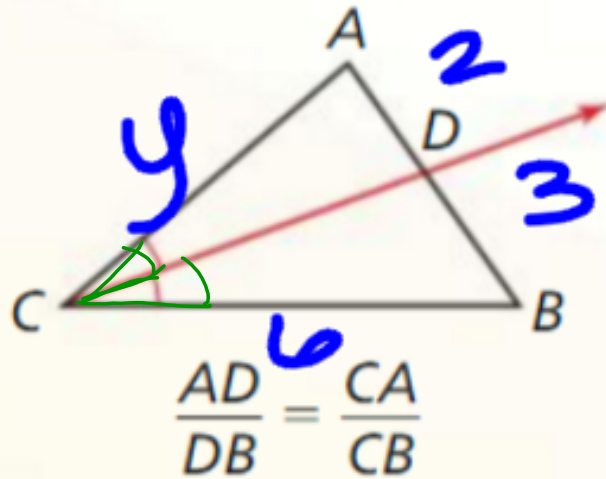
Part: EG , BD
 Whole: CE , BD

16. $\frac{BD}{BF} = \frac{CG}{CE}$

Part: BD , CE
 Whole: BF , CG

Triangle
Angle
Bisector
Theorem

If a ray bisects an angle of a triangle, then it divides the opposite side into segments whose lengths are proportional to the lengths of the other two sides.



~~$\frac{2}{y} = \frac{3}{6}$~~

$\frac{2}{3} = \frac{y}{6}$

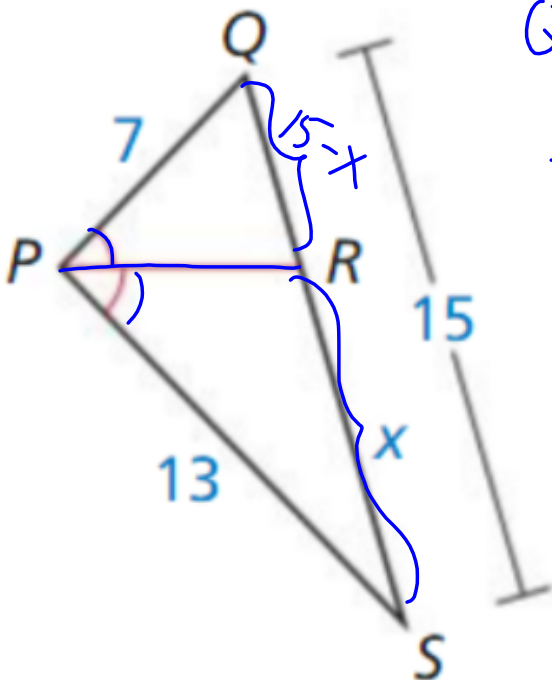
$\frac{3y}{3} = \frac{12}{3}$

$y = 4$

Example #5

Using the Triangle Angle Bisector Theorem

In the diagram, $\angle QPR \cong \angle RPS$. Use the given side lengths to find the length of \overline{RS} .



$\overline{QR} = ?$

~~$\frac{15-x}{x} = \frac{7}{13}$~~

$13(15-x) = 7 \cdot x$

$195 - 13x = 7x$

$\quad \quad +13x \quad +13x$

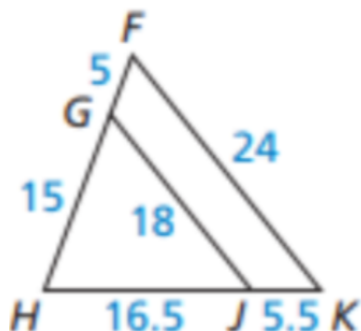
$195 = 20x$

$\frac{195}{20} = \frac{20x}{20}$

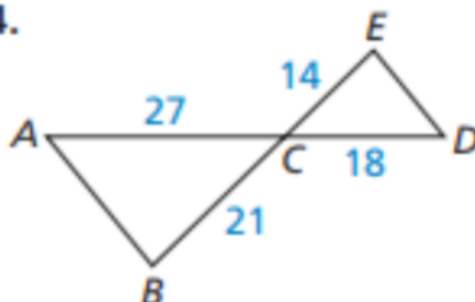
$x = 9.75 = RS$

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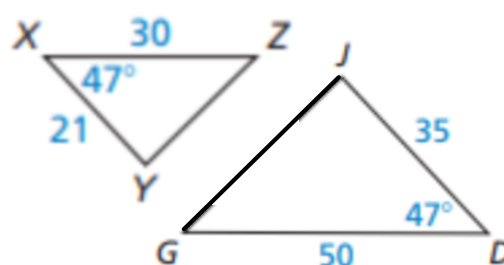
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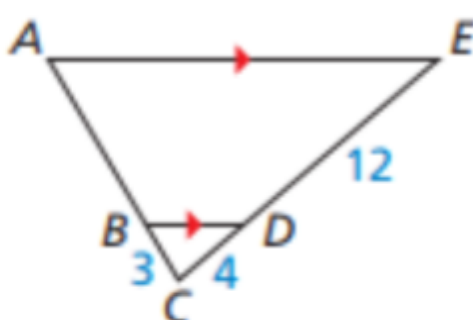
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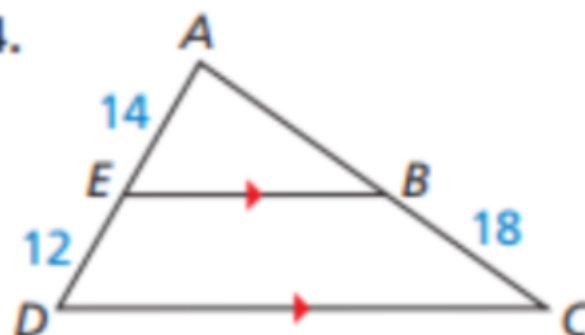
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(See Example 1.)

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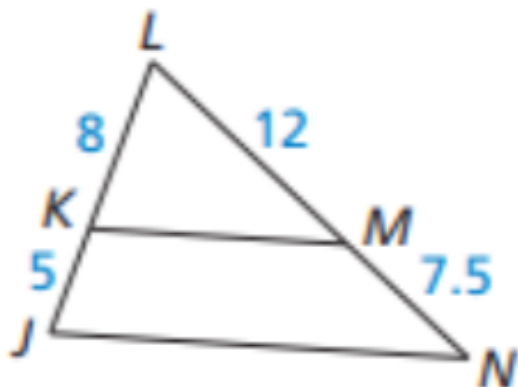
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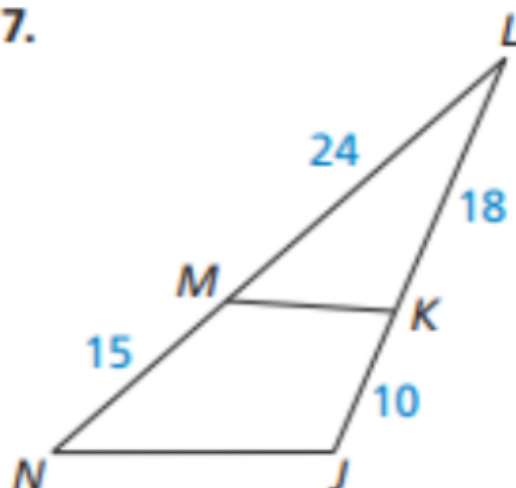
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(See Example 2.)

5.

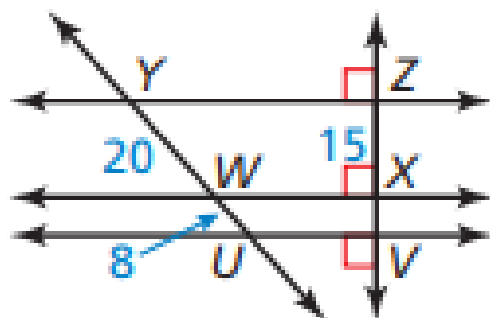


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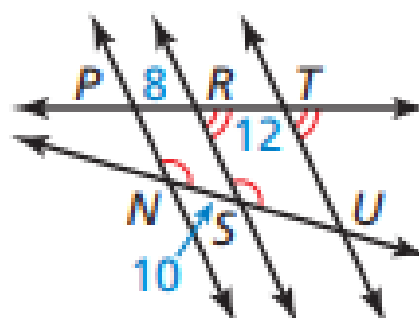


In Exercises 17 and 18, find the length of the indicated line segment. (See Example 3.)

17. \overline{VX}



18. \overline{SU}



In Exercises 13–16, show that the triangles are similar and write a similarity statement. Explain your reasoning.

13. $\frac{15}{5} = \frac{18}{6} = \frac{24}{8} = 3$
 $\frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$
 SAS \sim $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

15. $\frac{21}{7} = \frac{30}{10} = \frac{47}{14}$
 $\frac{3}{5} = \frac{3}{5}$
 SAS \sim $\triangle XYZ \sim \triangle JKL$

16. $\frac{16}{9} = \frac{24}{12} = \frac{40}{15}$
 $\frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{4} = \frac{3}{4}$
 SSS \sim $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle STU$

In Exercises 3 and 4, find the length of \overline{AB} . (See Example 1.)

3. $\frac{9}{x} = \frac{12}{12}$

4. $\frac{x}{18} = \frac{14}{12}$

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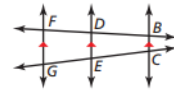
5. $\frac{8}{5} = \frac{7}{7.5}$
 Yes, \parallel

6. $\frac{22.5}{22.5} = \frac{25}{20}$
 Yes, \parallel

7. $\frac{60}{15} = \frac{24}{10}$
 Not \parallel

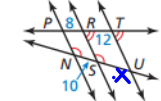
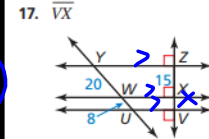
8. $\frac{16}{35} = \frac{15}{34}$
 Not \parallel

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15. $\frac{EG}{CE} = \frac{DF}{\square}$
16. $\frac{\square}{BD} = \frac{CG}{CE}$

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17. $\frac{x}{15} = \frac{8}{20}$
 $120 = 20x$
 $6 = x$

18. $\frac{12}{x} = \frac{8}{10}$
 $8x = 120$
 $x = 15$