

Year 6 | Summer Term | Week 1 to 2 – Geometry: Properties of Shapes



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NC Objectives

Draw 2-D shapes using given dimensions and angles.

Compare and classify geometric shapes based on their properties and sizes and find unknown angles in any triangles, quadrilaterals and regular polygons.

Recognise angles where they meet at a point, are on a straight line, or are vertically opposite, and find missing angles.



Measure with a Protractor

Notes and Guidance

- This step revisits measuring angles using a protractor from Year 5
- Children recap how to line up the protractor accurately, and identify which side of the scale to read. They link this to their understanding of angle sizes.
- Children read the measurement and practise measuring angles given in different orientations.
- Angles are also related to compass points.

Mathematical Talk

- Can we name and describe the 4 different types of angles? (right angle, obtuse, acute, reflex)
- What unit do we use to measure angles?
- Does it matter which side of the protractor I use?
- What mistakes could we make when measuring with a protractor?
- How would I measure a reflex angle?
- Look at a compass, what angles can we identify using the compass?

Varied Fluency





Measure with a Protractor

Reasoning and Problem Solving

Cut out a circle and draw a line from the centre to the edge. Add a spinner in the centre.



Put the arrow in the starting position as shown above. Turn over a flash card with an angle on.

Estimate the given angle by moving the spinner.

Check how close you are using a protractor.

Children could work in pairs and get a partner to check the accuracy of the angles made.



Alex is wrong because 130° is an obtuse angle and the angle indicated is acute. She has used the wrong scale on the protractor. She should have measured the angle to be 50°



Introduce Angles

Notes and Guidance

Children build on their understanding of degrees in a right angle and make the connection that there are two right angles on a straight line and four right angles around a point.

Children should make links to whole, quarter, half and threequarter turns and apply this in different contexts such as time and on a compass.

Mathematical Talk

If there are 90 degrees in one right angle, how many are there in two? What about three?

How many degrees are there in a quarter/half turn?

Between which two compass points can you see a right angle/half turn/three quarter turn?

Varied Fluency



Right angle	$\frac{1}{4}$	90°
Straight line		
Three right angles		
Full turn		

- Use a compass to identify how many degrees there are between:
 - North & South (turning clockwise)
 - South & East (turning anti-clockwise)
 - North-East and South-West (turning clockwise)

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Introduce Angles

Reasoning and Problem Solving

Dora and Eva are asked how many degrees there are between North-West and South-West.

Dora says,



They are both correct. Dora measured anticlockwise whereas Eva measured clockwise. If it takes 60 minutes for the minute hand $360 \div 60 = 6$ to travel all the way around the clock, how so the minute many degrees does the minute hand hand travels 6° travel in: per minute. 7 minutes ٠ 7 minutes : 42° 12 minutes ٠ 12 minutes : 72° How many minutes have passed if the minute hand has moved 162°? 162°: 27 minutes Always, sometimes, never. **Sometimes** W to S = 90 degrees NE to SW = 180 degreesAlways E to SE in a clockwise direction $> 90^{\circ}$ Never



Calculate Angles

Notes and Guidance

Children apply their understanding of angles in a right angle, angles on a straight line and angles around a point to calculate missing angles.

They should also recognise right angle notation and identify these on a diagram. Children then use this information to help them calculate unknown angles.

Mathematical Talk

What do we know about a and b? How do we know this?

Which angle fact might you need to use when answering this question?

Which angles are already given? How can we use this to calculate unknown angles?

Varied Fluency



How many number sentences can you write from the images?





Calculate the missing angles.







Calculate Angles

There are five equal angles around a point.	72° because 360 ÷ 5 = 72
What is the size of each angle?	
Explain how you know.	
Four angles meet at the same point on a straight line.	180 - 81 = 99° 99 ÷ 3 = 33°
One angle is 81°	
The other three angles are equal.	
What size are the other three angles?	
Draw a diagram to prove your answer.	





Vertically Opposite Angles

Notes and Guidance

Children recognise that vertically opposite angles share a vertex. They realise that they are equal and use practical examples to show this.

They continue to apply their understanding of angles on a straight line and around a point to calculate missing angles.

Mathematical Talk

What sentences can we write about vertically opposite angles in relation to other angles?

How can we find the missing angle?

Is there more than one way to find this angle?

Varied Fluency

Take a piece of paper and draw a large 'X'. Mark the angles on as shown. Measure the angles you have drawn. What do you notice about angles b and d? What do you notice about angles a and c? Is this always the case? Investigate with other examples.









📮 Find the size of the missing angles.



Is there more than one way to find them?



Vertically Opposite Angles

Reasoning and Problem Solving

The diagram below is drawn using three straight lines.



Whitney says that it's not possible to calculate all of the missing angles.

Do you agree? Explain why.

I disagree because: 180 - 157 = 23so a = 23° because angles on a straight line add up to 180°

Angles a and c are equal because they are vertically opposite so $c = 23^{\circ}$

Angles around a point add up to 360° so b = 67° The diagram below is drawn using three straight lines.



Amir is wrong because g is vertically opposite to e, not to 30° so g would actually be 60°

Amir says that angle g is equal to 30° because vertically opposite angles are equal.

Do you agree? Explain your answer.

Find the size of all missing angles. Is there more than one way to find the size of each angle? $g = 60^{\circ}$ f = 120° There are multiple ways to find the size of each angle.

 $e = 60^{\circ}$



Angles in a Triangle (1)

Notes and Guidance

Children practically explore interior angles of a triangle and understand that the angles will add up to 180 degrees.

Children should apply their understanding that angles at a point on a straight line add up to 180 degrees.

Mathematical Talk

What's the same and what's different about the four types of triangle?

What do the three interior angles add up to? Would this work for all triangles?

Does the type of triangle change anything?

Does the size of the triangle matter?

Varied Fluency

Use different coloured pieces of card to make an equilateral, isosceles, scalene and right-angled triangle.

Use a protractor to measure each interior angle, then add them up. What do you notice?

Now take any of the triangles and tear the corners off. Arrange the corners to make a straight line.

The interior angles of a triangle add up to



70°

Calculate the missing angles and state the type of triangle that these corners have been torn from.











Angles in a Triangle (1)

Amir says, My triangle has two 90° angles. Can Amir be correct? Can you demonstrate this?	Amir can't be correct because these two angles would add up to 180 degrees, and the third angle can't be 0 degrees.	True or False? A triangle can never have 3 acute angles.	False Children could use multiple examples to show this.
Eva says, My triangle is a scalene triangle. One angle is obtuse. One of the angles measures 56° The obtuse angle is three times the smallest angle. Work out the size of each of the angles in the triangle.	The interior angles of Eva's triangle are 56°, 93° and 31°		



Angles in a Triangle (2)

Notes and Guidance

Children are introduced to hatch marks for equal lengths. They concentrate on angles in right-angled triangles and isosceles triangles.

Children use their understanding of the properties of triangles to reason about angles.

Mathematical Talk

How can we identify sides which are the same length on a triangle?

How can we use the use the hatch marks to identify the equal angles?

If you know one angle in an isosceles triangle, what else do you know?

Can you have an isosceles right-angled triangle?

Varied Fluency

Identify which angles will be identical in the isosceles triangles.



Calculate the missing angles in the isosceles triangles.

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What type of triangle is this? What will the size of each angle be? How do you know? Will this always be the same for this type of triangle? Explain your answer.



Angles in a Triangle (2)

Reasoning and Problem Solving



The angles could be: 42°, 42°, 96° or 42°. 69°. 69° Alex is describing an isosceles triangle. Mo is describing an isosceles rightangled triangle. Eva is describing an equilateral triangle.

How many sentences can you write to express the relationships between the angles in the triangles? One has been done for you.



 $40^{\circ} + a + d = 180^{\circ}$

Possible responses: $20^{\circ} + a + b =$ 180° $20^{\circ} + c + d =$ 180° $b = 90^{\circ}$ $c = 90^{\circ}$ b = ca = detc.

Children could also work out the value of each angle.



Angles in a Triangle (3)

Notes and Guidance

Children build on prior learning to make links and recognise key features of specific types of triangle. They think about using this information to solve missing angle problems.

They should also use their knowledge of angles on a straight line, angles around a point and vertically opposite angles.

Mathematical Talk

Is it sensible to estimate the angles before calculating them? Are the triangles drawn accurately?

Can you identify the type of triangle? How will this help you calculate the missing angle?

Which angle can you work out first? Why? What else can you work out?

Varied Fluency

Work out the value of x and y. Explain each step of your working.



Work out the value of f and g. Explain each step of your working.





Work out the value of x and y. Explain each step of your working.







Angles in a Triangle (3)





Angles in Quadrilaterals

Notes and Guidance

Children use their knowledge of properties of shape to explore interior angles in a parallelogram, rhombus, trapezium etc. They need to learn that angles in any quadrilateral add up to 360°. If they are investigating by measuring, there may be accuracy errors which will be a good discussion point. Children need to have a secure understanding of the relationship between a rectangle, a parallelogram, a square and a rhombus.

Mathematical Talk

Is a rectangle a parallelogram? Is a parallelogram a rectangle? What do you notice about the opposite angles in a parallelogram?

Is a square a rhombus? Is a rhombus a square?

What do you notice about the opposite angles in a rhombus? What is the difference between a trapezium and an isosceles trapezium?

If you know 3 of the interior angles, how could you work out the fourth angle?

Varied Fluency

Take two quadrilaterals.



For the first quadrilateral, measure the interior angles using a protractor.

For the second, tear the corners off and place the interior angles at a point as shown.

What's the same? What's different? Is this the case for other quadrilaterals?

Here are two trapeziums. What's the same? What's different?



Can you draw a different trapezium? Measure the interior angles of each one and find the total.

Calculate the missing angles.







Angles in Quadrilaterals

Reasoning and Problem Solving

How many quadrilaterals can you make on the geoboard?



Identify the names of the different quadrilaterals.

What do you notice about the angles in certain quadrilaterals?

If your geoboard was 4×4 , would you be able to make any different quadrilaterals?

There are lots of different quadrilaterals children could make. They should notice that opposite angles in a parallelogram and rhombus are equal. They should also identify that a kite has a pair of equal angles, and some kites have a right angle. On a larger grid, they could draw a trapezium without a right angle.



What do you notice?



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Angles in Polygons

Notes and Guidance

Children use their knowledge of properties of shape to explore interior angles in polygons.

Children explore how they can partition shapes into triangles from a single vertex to work out the sum of the angles in polygons.

They use their knowledge of angles on a straight line summing to 180° to calculate exterior angles.

Mathematical Talk

What is a regular polygon? What is an irregular polygon?

What is the sum of interior angles of a triangle?

How can we use this to work out the interior angles of polygons?

Can we spot a pattern in the table? What predictions can we make?

Varied Fluency

Draw any quadrilateral and partition it into 2 triangles. What do the interior angles of triangle A add up to? What do the interior angles of triangle B add up to? What is the sum of angles in a quadrilateral?

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	Quadrilateral	4	2	180 × 2	360°
	Pentagon	5	3		
	Hexagon				
	Heptagon				

What do you notice?

Can you predict the angle sum of any other polygons?



Angles in Polygons





Drawing Shapes Accurately

Notes and Guidance

Children begin by drawing shapes accurately on different grids such as squared and dotted paper. They then move on to using a protractor on plain paper.

Children use their knowledge of properties of shapes and angles, as well as converting between different units of measure.

Mathematical Talk

- What do you know about the shapes which will help you draw them?
- How can we ensure our measurements are accurate?
- How would you draw a triangle on a plain piece of paper using a protractor?

Varied Fluency

On a piece of squared paper, accurately draw the shapes.

- A square with perimeter 16 cm.
- A rectangle with an area of 20 cm². ٠
- A right-angled triangle with a height of 8 cm and a base of 6 cm. ٠
- A parallelogram with sides 3 cm and 5 cm.
- Draw the triangle accurately on squared paper to work out the missing length. Measure the size of angles A and B.



Create a step-by-step plan to show how she would do this.

a protractor.







Drawing Shapes Accurately

Reasoning and Problem Solving

Mr Harrison is designing a slide for the playground.



Use a scale of 1 cm to represent 1 m.

Draw a scale diagram.

Use the diagram to find out how long Mr Harrison needs the ladder to be. Children will have to use the scale to give their answer in m once they have measured it in cm.

The ladder should be approximately 4.5 m





Nets of 3-D Shapes

Notes and Guidance

Children use their knowledge of 2-D and 3-D shapes to identify three-dimensional shapes from their nets.

Children need to recognise that a net is a two-dimensional figure that can be folded to create a three-dimensional shape.

They use measuring tools and conventional markings to draw nets of shapes accurately.

Mathematical Talk

Looking at the faces of a three-dimensional shape, what twodimensional shapes can you see?

What is a net? What shape will this net make? How do you know? What shape won't it make?

If you make this net, what would happen if you were not accurate with your measuring?

Varied Fluency

What three-dimensional shape can be made from these nets?



Identify and describe the faces of each shape.

Accurately draw this net. Cut, fold and stick to create a cuboid.



Draw possible nets of these three-dimensional shapes.









Nets of 3-D Shapes

