

Write and Solve Ratios: A ratio is a comparison of two quantities by division. The ratio of a to b , where b is not zero, can be written $\frac{a}{b}$ or $a:b$.

Equivalent Ratios: Two ratios are equivalent if they represent the same comparison. For example, $\frac{1}{2}$ and $\frac{2}{4}$ are equivalent ratios because they both represent the same comparison.

1. There are 100 girls in the sophomore class of 150 students. What is the ratio of girls to total students?

2. The length of a rectangle is 8 inches and its width is 4 inches. What is the ratio of length to width?

3. Write a ratio for each pair of numbers. Simplify the ratio if possible.
 $12:18$ $15:25$ $20:30$ $30:45$

7-2 Study Guide and Intervention Similar Polygons

Identify Similar Polygons: Similar polygons have the same shape but not necessarily the same size.

List all pairs of congruent angles, and write a proportion that relates the corresponding sides for each pair of similar polygons.

1. $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

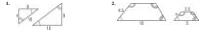
2. $ABCD \sim EFGH$

Directions: Use the area and perimeter of the figures to determine their side lengths. Write the side lengths in the boxes.



Use the given figures to find the area and perimeter of each figure by side lengths or similar polygons.

Directions: Find the area and perimeter of each figure.



Similar Triangles

Read the Similar Triangles. Use the information to show that the triangles are similar.

Given:	Two triangles with two angles and one side of one triangle congruent to two angles and one side of the other triangle.
Ask:	Are the triangles similar? If so, what is the similarity statement? If not, why not?
Ask:	Can you prove the triangles are similar? If so, what is the proof? If not, why not?

Exercise 1 Determine whether the triangles are similar. If so, write a similarity statement. Explain your reasoning.



Exercise 2 Use Similar Triangles. Similar triangles can be used to find measurements.

