Bellwork
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A scale on a map is $1 \mathrm{in}: 24 \mathrm{mi}$. The actual distance from Wabash to Winamac is $\mathbf{7 8}$ miles.

1. Find the distance between Wabash and Winamac on the map?

2. The distance on the map from Wabash to another city is 4.75 inches. How much is the actual distance between the two cities?


# Geometry <br> 6.3 Use Similar Polygons <br> Standard(s): 2,9 

## Vocabulary:

1. Similar Polygons: Two polygons with congruent corresponding angles and proportional corresponding side lengths.


## 2. Scale Factor: the ratio of the lengths of the corresponding sides of two similar polygons.

Two polygons are similar polygons if corresponding angles are congruent and corresponding side lengths are proportional.

In the diagram below, $A B C D$ is similar to $E F G H$. You can write "ABCD is similar to $E F G H^{\prime \prime}$ as $A B C D \sim E F G H$. Notice in the similarity statement that the corresponding vertices are listed in the same order.


## KEY CONCEPT

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## Corresponding Lengths in Similar Polygons

If two polygons are similar, then the ratio of any two corresponding lengths in the polygons is equal to the scale factor of the similar polygons.

## THEOREM

Theorem 6.1 Perimeters of Similar Polygons
If two polygons are similar, then the ratio of their perimeters is equal to the ratios of their corresponding side lengths.


If $K L M N \sim P Q R S$, then $\frac{K L+L M+M N+N K}{P Q+Q R+R S+S P}=\frac{K L}{P Q}=\frac{L M}{Q R}=\frac{M N}{R S}=\frac{N K}{S P}$.
Proof: Ex. 38, p. 379

## Use Similarity Statements

In the diagram, $\triangle \mathrm{ABC} \sim \Delta \mathrm{DEF} . \quad \cup$

A. List all pairs of congruent angles.

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\begin{aligned}
& \angle A \cong \angle D \\
& \angle B \cong \angle E \\
& \angle C \cong \angle F
\end{aligned}
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B. Write the ratios of the corresponding side lengths in a statement of proportionality.

## $\Delta \widehat{A B C} \sim \Delta \overline{D E F}$

$\frac{A B}{D E}=\frac{B C}{E F}=\frac{A C}{D F}$

Finding Scale Factor

Determine whether the polygons are similar. If they are, write a similarity statement and find the scale factor.


Find Perimeters of Similar Figures
In the diagram, $\triangle \mathrm{PQR} \sim \Delta \mathrm{LMN}$.

A. Find the scale factor of $\triangle P Q R$ to $\triangle L M N$.

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\begin{array}{lll}
\frac{Q R}{M N}=\frac{36}{12}=\frac{3}{1} & 3: & 1 \\
\begin{array}{ll}
\text { B. Find the values of } x, y \text {, and } z . \\
x=67.4^{\circ} \\
y=39
\end{array} & \frac{3}{L N} \\
\begin{array}{ll}
z=15 \\
\text { c. Find the perimeter of each triangle. }
\end{array} & \frac{y}{13} \quad y=39 \\
& \frac{P Q}{L M} \\
& \frac{3}{1}=\frac{15}{z} & 3 z=15 \\
z=5
\end{array}
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## Use a Scale Factor

In the diagram, $\Delta \mathrm{MNP} \sim \Delta \mathrm{RST}$. Find the length of the altitude $\overline{\mathrm{NL}}$.


## Homework Assignment

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& \text { Pg. 376-377 } \\
& \# 7-12, \frac{19-26}{} \\
& 23-26
\end{aligned}
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