

# Quiz 1

Part A: [1] True/False. No partial credit is given.

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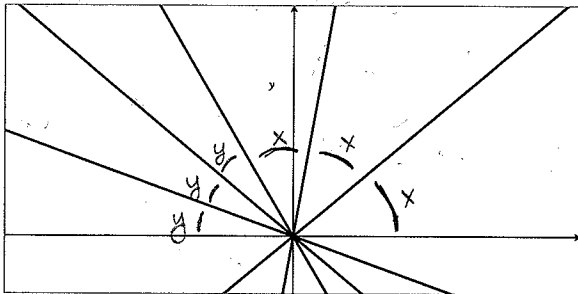
The symbols  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{BA}$  determine the same geometric figure.

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All two points are collinear.

Part B: Show *all* your work on the following. A right answer with no supporting work will receive no credit.

1. [2] Find the measure of  $x + y$  provided:



Note

$$x+x+x+y+y+y = 180$$

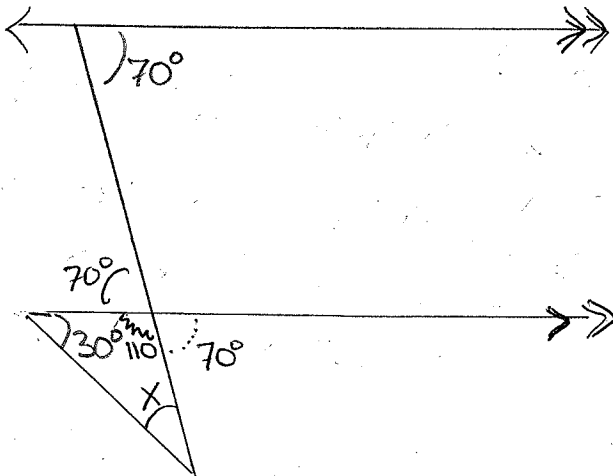
$$3x + 3y = 180$$

$$3(x+y) = 180$$

$$x+y = 60$$

2. [2] Find the measure of  $x$  provided:

Assume lines  $a$  &  $b$  are parallel.



by AIA

by vertical property  
of supplemental angles.

since

$$30 + 110 + x = 180$$

$$140 + x = 180$$

$$x = 40$$

Note: if say 'this can't be determined' credit will still be given 1

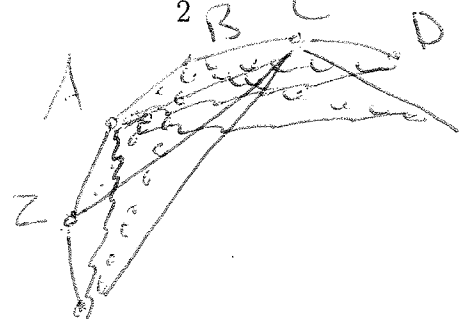
3. [5] Justify the following fact to a 5th grader:

The number of diagonals in an  $n$ -gon is given by the formula:

$$\frac{(n-3)n}{2}$$

Another way: Count the # of diagonals emanating from A ( $n-3$ ) B ( $n-3$ )... and in fact all points on the  $n$ -gon have  $(n-3)$  diagonals emanating from them. The total # of diag counted each  $(n-3)n$  diag twice though.

Consider the first pt, call it A. Note we can't form a diagonal from A to A or from A to B or from A to Z because the points are too 'close'. However, we can form diagonals with C, D, E... indeed the remaining  $n-3$  points.



The second pt, B has a similar situation. A, B & C are too 'close' to form a diagonal. But it can form diagonals with the remaining  $n-3$  points.

The third pt C has a similar beginning. B, C & D are too 'close' but in addition to that we've already counted the diagonal AC. The points A, B, C & D can't be used to define new diagonals, but the remaining  $n-4$  points can.

The fourth pt D is much like C. C, D & E are too 'close'. Additionally we don't want to recount the diagonal with A & B. Thus A, B, C, D & E can't be used to define new diagonals, but the remaining  $n-5$  can.

The pattern continues and if we sum up all the diagonals we find

$$\begin{aligned} & (n-3) + (n-3) + (n-4) + (n-5) + \dots + 2 + 1 \\ & = n-3 + \frac{(n-3)(n-2)}{2} = \frac{2(n-3) + (n-3)(n-2)}{2} \\ & = \frac{(n-3)(2+n-2)}{2} = \frac{(n-3)n}{2} \end{aligned}$$