

# 9.4 Conditions for Rectangles, Rhombuses, and Squares

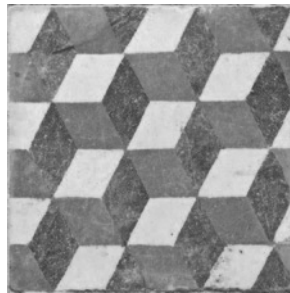


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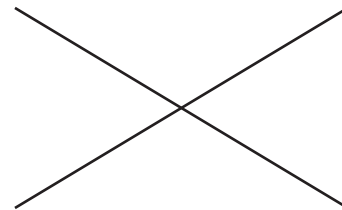
**Essential Question:** How can you use given conditions to show that a quadrilateral is a rectangle, a rhombus, or a square?

## Explore Properties of Rectangles, Rhombuses, and Squares

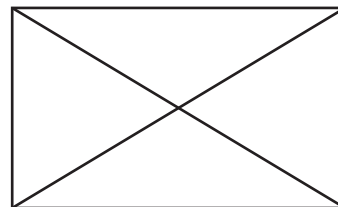
In this lesson we will start with given properties and use them to prove which special parallelogram it could be.



- A** Start by drawing two line segments of the same length that bisect each other but are not perpendicular. They will form an X shape, as shown.



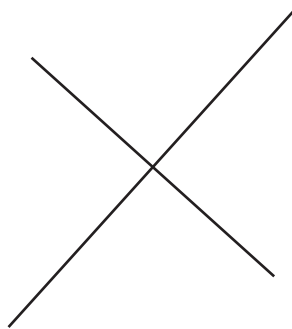
- B** Connect the ends of the line segments to form a quadrilateral.



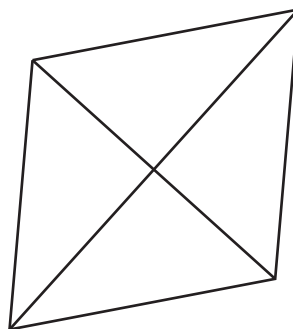
- C** Measure each of the four angles of the quadrilateral, and use those measurements to name the shape.

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- D Now, draw two line segments that are perpendicular and bisect each other but that are not the same length.



- E Connect the ends of the line segments to form a quadrilateral.



- F Measure each side length of the quadrilateral. Then use those measurements to name the shape.

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**Reflect**

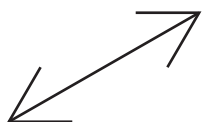
1. **Discussion** How are the diagonals of your rectangle in Step B different from the diagonals of your rhombus in Step E?

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2. Draw a line segment. At each endpoint draw line segments so that four congruent angles are formed as shown. Then extend the segments so that they intersect to form a quadrilateral. Measure the sides. What do you notice? What kind of quadrilateral is it? How does the line segment relate to the angles drawn on either end of it?



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## Explain 1

# Proving that Congruent Diagonals Is a Condition for Rectangles

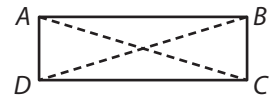
When you are given a parallelogram with certain properties, you can use the properties to determine whether the parallelogram is a rectangle.

Theorems: Conditions for Rectangles	
If one angle of a parallelogram is a right angle, then the parallelogram is a rectangle.	
If the diagonals of a parallelogram are congruent, then the parallelogram is a rectangle.	

### Example 1 Prove that if the diagonals of a parallelogram are congruent, then the parallelogram is a rectangle.

**Given:**  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram;  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}$ .

**Prove:**  $ABCD$  is a rectangle.



Because \_\_\_\_\_,  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ .

It is given that  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}$ , and \_\_\_\_\_ by the Reflexive Property of Congruence.

So, \_\_\_\_\_ by the SSS Triangle Congruence Theorem,

and \_\_\_\_\_ by CPCTC. But these angles are \_\_\_\_\_

since  $\overline{AB} \parallel$  . Therefore,  $m\angle BAD + m\angle CDA =$  .

$m\angle BAD +$    $=$   by substitution,  $2 \cdot m\angle BAD = 180^\circ$ ,

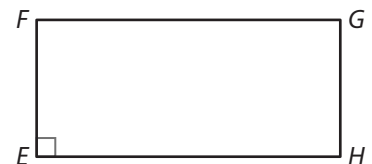
and  $m\angle BAD = 90^\circ$ . A similar argument shows that the other angles

of  $ABCD$  are also \_\_\_\_\_ angles, so  $ABCD$  is a \_\_\_\_\_.

### Reflect

### 3. Discussion Explain why this is a true condition for rectangles:

*If one angle of a parallelogram is a right angle, then the parallelogram is a rectangle.*




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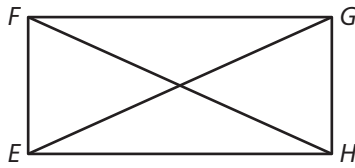
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**Your Turn**

Use the given information to determine whether the quadrilateral is necessarily a rectangle. Explain your reasoning.



4. Given:  $\overline{EF} \cong \overline{GF}$ ,  $\overline{FG} \cong \overline{HE}$ ,  $\overline{FH} \cong \overline{GE}$

5. Given:  $m\angle FEG = 45^\circ$ ,  $m\angle GEH = 50^\circ$

**Explain 2 Proving Conditions for Rhombuses**

You can also use given properties of a parallelogram to determine whether the parallelogram is a rhombus.

Theorems: Conditions for Rhombuses	
<p>If one pair of consecutive sides of a parallelogram are congruent, then the parallelogram is a rhombus.</p>	
<p>If the diagonals of a parallelogram are perpendicular, then the parallelogram is a rhombus.</p>	
<p>If one diagonal of a parallelogram bisects a pair of opposite angles, then the parallelogram is a rhombus.</p>	

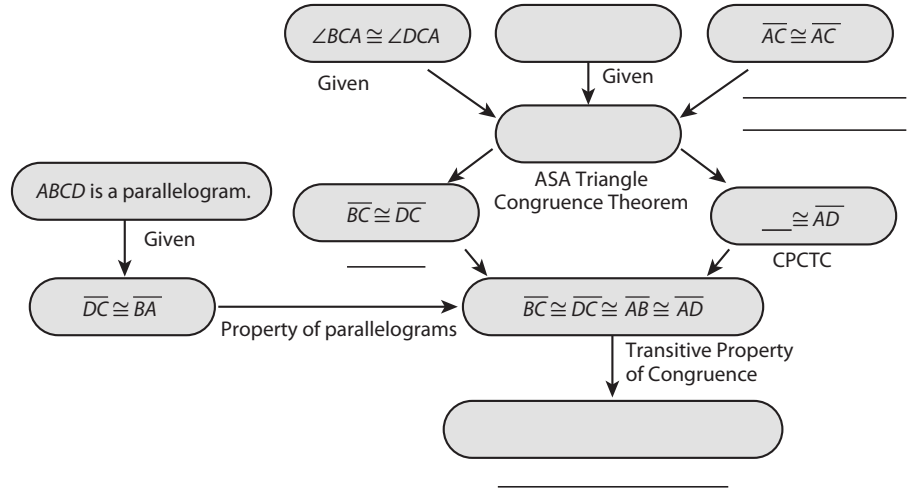
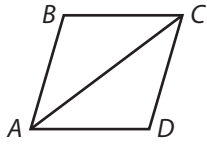
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You will prove one of the theorems about rhombuses in Example 2 and the other theorems in Your Turn Exercise 6 and Evaluate Exercise 22.

**Example 2** Complete the flow proof that if one diagonal of a parallelogram bisects a pair of opposite angles, then the parallelogram is a rhombus.

**Given:**  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram;  $\angle BCA \cong \angle DCA$ ;  $\angle BAC \cong \angle DAC$

**Prove:**  $ABCD$  is a rhombus.

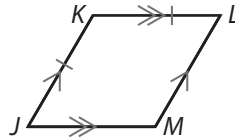


**Your Turn**

6. Prove that if one pair of consecutive sides of a parallelogram are congruent, then it is a rhombus.

**Given:**  $JKLM$  is a parallelogram.  $\overline{JK} \cong \overline{KL}$

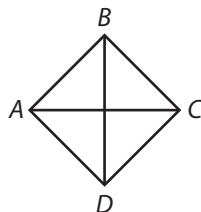
**Prove:**  $JKLM$  is a rhombus.



## Explain 3 Applying Conditions for Special Parallelograms

In Example 3, you will decide whether you are given enough information to conclude that a figure is a particular type of special parallelogram.

**Example 3** Determine if the conclusion is valid. If not, tell what additional information is needed to make it valid.



**A** Given:  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ ;  $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{DA}$ ;  $\overline{AD} \perp \overline{DC}$ ;  $\overline{AC} \perp \overline{BD}$

**Conclusion:**  $ABCD$  is a square.

To prove that a given quadrilateral is a square, it is sufficient to show that the figure is both a rectangle and a rhombus.

Step 1: Determine if  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram.

$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$  and  $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{DA}$  are given. Since a quadrilateral with opposite sides congruent is a parallelogram, we know that  $ABCD$  is a parallelogram.

Step 2: Determine if  $ABCD$  is a rectangle.

Since  $\overline{AD} \perp \overline{DC}$ , by definition of perpendicular lines,  $\angle ADC$  is a right angle. A parallelogram with one right angle is a rectangle, so  $ABCD$  is a rectangle.

Step 3: Determine if  $ABCD$  is a rhombus.

$\overline{AC} \perp \overline{BD}$ . A parallelogram with perpendicular diagonals is a rhombus. So  $ABCD$  is a rhombus.

Step 4: Determine if  $ABCD$  is a square.

Since  $ABCD$  is a rectangle and a rhombus, it has four right angles and four congruent sides. So  $ABCD$  is a square by definition.

So, the conclusion is valid.

**B** Given:  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{BC}$

**Conclusion:**  $ABCD$  is a rhombus.

The conclusion is not valid. It is true that if two consecutive sides of a \_\_\_\_\_ are congruent, then the \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_. To apply this theorem,

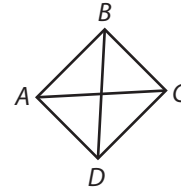
however, you need to know that  $ABCD$  is a \_\_\_\_\_. The given information is not sufficient to conclude that the figure is a parallelogram.

**Reflect**

7. Draw a figure that shows why this statement is not necessarily true: If one angle of a quadrilateral is a right angle, then the quadrilateral is a rectangle.

**Your Turn**

Determine if the conclusion is valid. If not, tell what additional information is needed to make it valid.



8. **Given:**  $\angle ABC$  is a right angle.  
**Conclusion:**  $ABCD$  is a rectangle.

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**Elaborate**

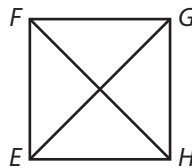
9. Look at the theorem boxes in Example 1 and Example 2. How do the diagrams help you remember the conditions for proving a quadrilateral is a special parallelogram?

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10.  $EFGH$  is a parallelogram. In  $EFGH$ ,  $\overline{EG} \cong \overline{FH}$ . Which conclusion is incorrect?  
A.  $EFGH$  is a rectangle.  
B.  $EFGH$  is a square.



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11. **Essential Question Check-In** How are theorems about conditions for parallelograms different from the theorems regarding parallelograms used in the previous lesson?

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# ★ Evaluate: Homework and Practice



- Online Homework
- Hints and Help
- Extra Practice

1. Suppose Anna draws two line segments,  $\overline{AB}$  and  $\overline{CD}$  that intersect at point  $E$ . She draws them in such a way that  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$ ,  $\overline{AB} \perp \overline{CD}$ , and  $\angle CAD$  is a right angle. What is the best name to describe  $ACBD$ ? Explain.

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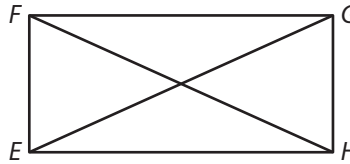


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2. Write a two-column proof that if the diagonals of a parallelogram are congruent, then the parallelogram is a rectangle.

**Given:**  $EFGH$  is a parallelogram;  $\overline{EG} \cong \overline{HF}$ .

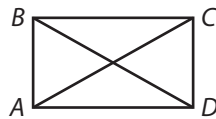
**Prove:**  $EFGH$  is a rectangle.



Statements	Reasons
1.	1.

Determine whether each quadrilateral must be a rectangle. Explain.

3.



Given:  $BD = AC$

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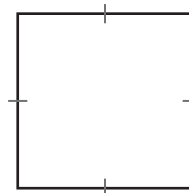


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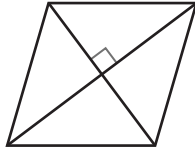
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Each quadrilateral is a parallelogram. Determine whether each parallelogram is a rhombus or not.

5.

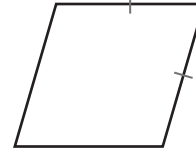



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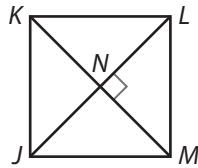

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Give one characteristic about each figure that would make the conclusion valid.

7. Conclusion:  $JKLM$  is a rhombus.

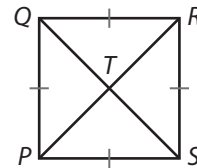



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8. Conclusion:  $PQRS$  is a square.

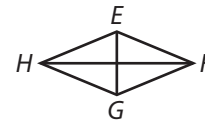



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Determine if the conclusion is valid. If not, tell what additional information is needed to make it valid.



9. Given:  $\overline{EG}$  and  $\overline{FH}$  bisect each other.  $\overline{EG} \perp \overline{FH}$

Conclusion:  $EFGH$  is a rhombus.

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10.  $\overline{FH}$  bisects  $\angle EFG$  and  $\angle EHG$ .

Conclusion:  $EFGH$  is a rhombus.

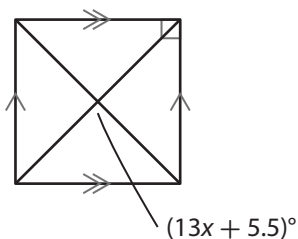
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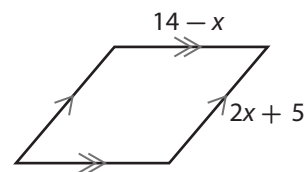
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Find the value of  $x$  that makes each parallelogram the given type.

11. square

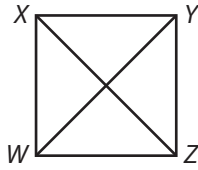


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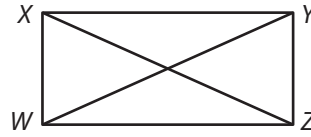


In Exercises 13–16, Determine which quadrilaterals match the figure: parallelogram, rhombus, rectangle, or square? List all that apply.

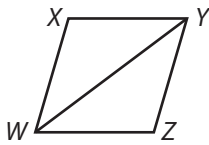
13. Given:  $\overline{WY} \cong \overline{XZ}$ ,  $\overline{WY} \perp \overline{XZ}$ ,  $\overline{XY} \cong \overline{ZW}$



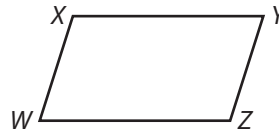
14. Given:  $\overline{XY} \cong \overline{ZW}$ ,  $\overline{WY} \cong \overline{ZX}$



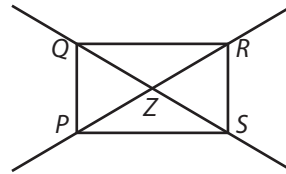
15. Given:  $\overline{XY} \cong \overline{ZW}$ ,  $\angle XWY \cong \angle YWZ$ ,  $\angle XYW \cong \angle ZYW$



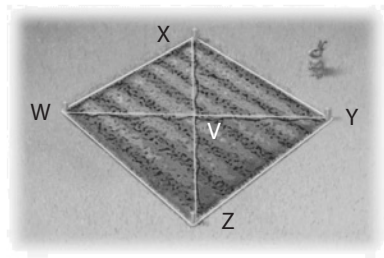
16. Given:  $m\angle WXY = 130^\circ$ ,  $m\angle XWZ = 50^\circ$ ,  $m\angle WZY = 130^\circ$



17. **Represent Real-World Problems** A framer uses a clamp to hold together pieces of a picture frame. The pieces are cut so that  $\overline{PQ} \cong \overline{RS}$  and  $\overline{QR} \cong \overline{SP}$ . The clamp is adjusted so that  $PZ$ ,  $QZ$ ,  $RZ$ , and  $SZ$  are all equal lengths. Why must the frame be a rectangle?



18. **Represent Real-World Problems** A city garden club is planting a square garden. They drive pegs into the ground at each corner and tie strings between each pair. The pegs are spaced so that  $\overline{WX} \cong \overline{XY} \cong \overline{YZ} \cong \overline{ZW}$ . How can the garden club use the diagonal strings to verify that the garden is a square?



19. A quadrilateral is formed by connecting the midpoints of a rectangle. Which of the following could be the resulting figure? Select all that apply.

- parallelogram       rectangle  
 rhombus       square

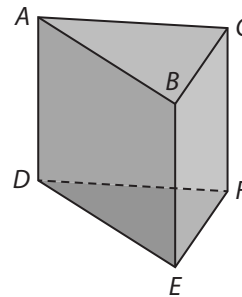
**H.O.T. Focus on Higher Order Thinking**

**20. Critical Thinking** The diagonals of a quadrilateral are perpendicular bisectors of each other. What is the best name for this quadrilateral? Explain your answer.

**21. Draw Conclusions** Think about the relationships between angles and sides in this triangular prism to decide if the given face is a rectangle.

**Given:**  $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{DF}$ ,  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{DE}$ ,  $\overline{AB} \perp \overline{BC}$ ,  $\overline{DE} \perp \overline{EF}$ ,  $\overline{BE} \perp \overline{EF}$ ,  $\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{EF}$

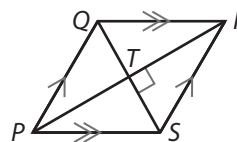
**Prove:**  $EBCF$  is a rectangle.



**22. Justify Reasoning** Use one of the other rhombus theorems to prove that if the diagonals of a parallelogram are perpendicular, then the parallelogram is a rhombus.

**Given:**  $PQRS$  is a parallelogram.  $\overline{PR} \perp \overline{QS}$

**Prove:**  $PQRS$  is a rhombus.



Statements	Reasons
1. $PQRS$ is a parallelogram.	1. Given
2. $\overline{PT} \cong$	2. Diagonals of a parallelogram bisect each other.
3. $\overline{QT} \cong$	3. Reflexive Property of Congruence
4. $\overline{PR} \perp \overline{QS}$	4. Given
5. $\angle QTP$ and $\angle QTR$ are right angles.	5.
6. $\angle QTP \cong \angle QTR$	6.
7. $\triangle QTP \cong \triangle QTR$	7.
8. $\overline{QP} \cong$	8. CPCTC
9. $PQRS$ is a rhombus.	9.

# Lesson Performance Task

The diagram shows the organizational ladder of groups to which tigers belong.

- a. Use the terms below to create a similar ladder in which each term is a subset of the term above it.

Parallelogram    Geometric figures    Squares  
Quadrilaterals    Figures    Rhombuses

- b. Decide which of the following statements is true. Then write three more statements like it, using terms from the list in part (a).

If a figure is a rhombus, then it is a parallelogram.

If a figure is a parallelogram, then it is a rhombus.

- c. Explain how you can use the ladder you created above to write if-then statements involving the terms on the list.

