

## Point of Concurrency Worksheet

Give the name the point of concurrency for each of the following.

1. Angle Bisectors of a Triangle Incenter
2. Medians of a Triangle Centroid
3. Altitudes of a Triangle Orthocenter
4. Perpendicular Bisectors of a Triangle Circumcenter

Complete each of the following statements.

5. The *incenter* of a triangle is equidistant from the sides of the triangle.
6. The *circumcenter* of a triangle is equidistant from the vertices of the triangle.
7. The *centroid* is  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the distance from each vertex to the midpoint of the opposite side.
8. To *inscribe* a circle about a triangle, you use the incenter.
9. To *circumscribe* a circle about a triangle, you use the circumcenter.
10. Complete the following chart. Write if the point of concurrency is *inside*, *outside*, or *on the triangle*.

	Acute $\Delta$	Obtuse $\Delta$	Right $\Delta$
<b>Circumcenter</b>	<u>inside</u>	<u>outside</u>	<u>on</u>
<b>Incenter</b>	↓	<u>inside</u>	<u>inside</u>
<b>Centroid</b>		<u>inside</u>	<u>inside</u>
<b>Orthocenter</b>		<u>outside</u>	<u>on</u>

always inside }

In the diagram, the perpendicular bisectors (shown with dashed segments) of  $\triangle ABC$  meet at point  $G$ —the *circumcenter*. and are shown dashed. Find the indicated measure.

11.  $AG = \underline{25}$       12.  $BD = \underline{20}$

13.  $CF = \underline{24}$       14.  $AB = \underline{40}$

15.  $CE = \underline{15}$       16.  $AC = \underline{48}$

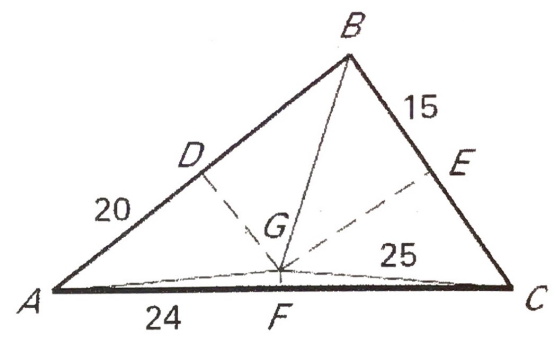
17.  $m\angle ADG = \underline{90^\circ}$

18. If  $BG = (2x - 15)$ , find  $x$ .       $2x - 15 = 25$

$2x = 40$   
 $x = 20$

$[BG = 25]$

$x = \underline{20}$



In the diagram, the perpendicular bisectors (shown with dashed segments) of  $\triangle MNP$  meet at point  $O$ —the *circumcenter*. Find the indicated measure.

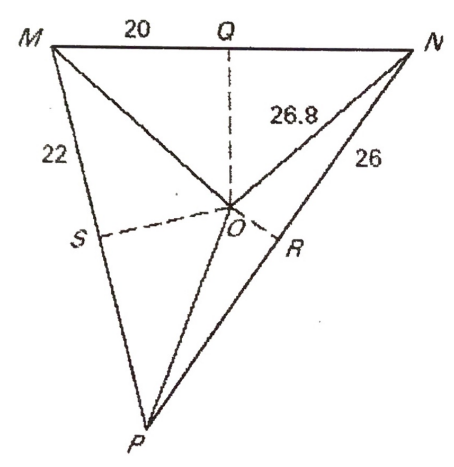
19.  $MO = \underline{26.8}$       20.  $PR = \underline{26}$

21.  $MN = \underline{40}$       22.  $SP = \underline{22}$

23.  $m\angle MQO = \underline{90^\circ}$

24. If  $OP = 2x$ , find  $x$ .       $OP = 26.8$

$2x = 26.8$   
 $x = 13.4$



$x = \underline{13.4}$

Point  $T$  is the incenter of  $\triangle PQR$ .

25. If Point  $T$  is the incenter, then Point  $T$  is the point of concurrency of

the angle bisectors.

26.  $ST =$  15

27. If  $TU = (2x - 1)$ , find  $x$ .  $[TU = 15]$

$$2x - 1 = 15$$

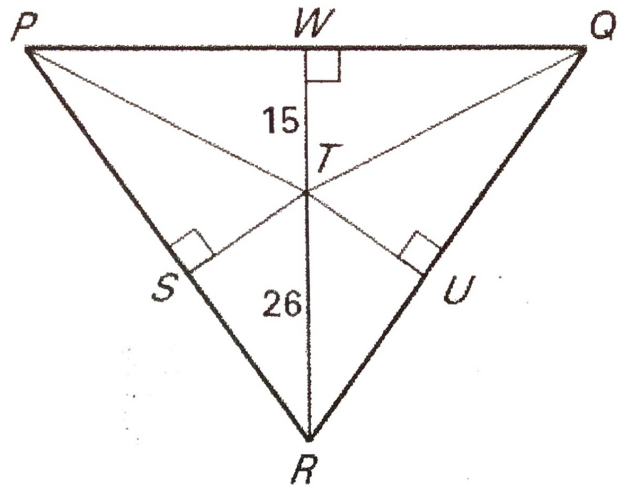
$$2x = 16$$

$$x = 8$$

$x =$  8

28. If  $m\angle PRT = 24^\circ$ , then  $m\angle QRT =$   $24^\circ$

29. If  $m\angle RPQ = 62^\circ$ , then  $m\angle RPT =$   $31^\circ$



Point  $G$  is the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $AD = 8$ ,  $AG = 10$ ,  $BE = 10$ ,  $AC = 16$  and  $CD = 18$ . Find the length of each segment.

30. If Point  $G$  is the centroid, then Point  $T$  is the point of concurrency of

the medians.

31.  $DB =$  8

32.  $EA =$  15

33.  $CG =$  12

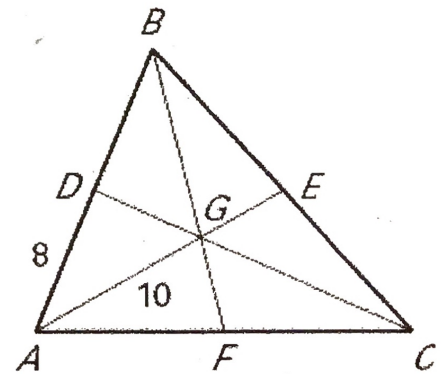
34.  $BA =$  16

35.  $GE =$  5

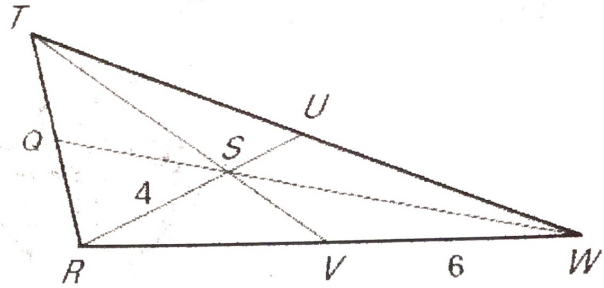
36.  $GD =$  6

37.  $BC =$  20

38.  $AF =$  8



Point  $S$  is the centroid of  $\triangle RTW$ ,  $RS = 4$ ,  $VW = 6$ , and  $TV = 9$ . Find the length of each segment.



39.  $RV = \underline{6}$

40.  $SU = \underline{2}$

41.  $RU = \underline{6}$

42.  $RW = \underline{12}$

43.  $TS = \underline{6}$

44.  $SV = \underline{3}$

Point  $G$  is the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ . Use the given information to find the value of the variable.

45.  $FG = x + 8$  and  $GA = 6x - 4$

$FG = \frac{1}{2} GA$

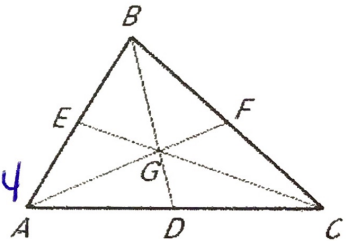
Can do either way  
or  $2FG = GA$

$2(x + 8) = 6x - 4$

$2x + 16 = 6x - 4$

$20 = 4x$

$5 = x$



$x = \underline{5}$

46. If  $CG = 3y + 7$  and  $CE = 6y$

$CG = \frac{2}{3} CE$

$3y + 7 = \frac{2}{3} (6y)$

$3y + 7 = 4y$

$7 = y$

$y = \underline{7}$

## Calculating points of Concurrency: What's the point?

### Circumcenter

1. Plot the points  $A(-4, -2)$ ,  $B(0, 2)$ ,  $C(4, -4)$ . Draw  $\triangle ABC$ .

a. Calculate the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$ .

$$\frac{-4+0}{2}, \frac{-2+2}{2} = (-2, 0)$$

b. Find the slope of  $\overline{AB}$

$$\frac{-2-2}{-4-0} = \frac{-4}{-4} = 1$$

c. What is the slope of the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{AB}$

$$-1$$

d. Write and graph the equation of the line containing perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{AB}$ .

$$\begin{matrix} (-2, 0) \\ x & y \end{matrix}$$

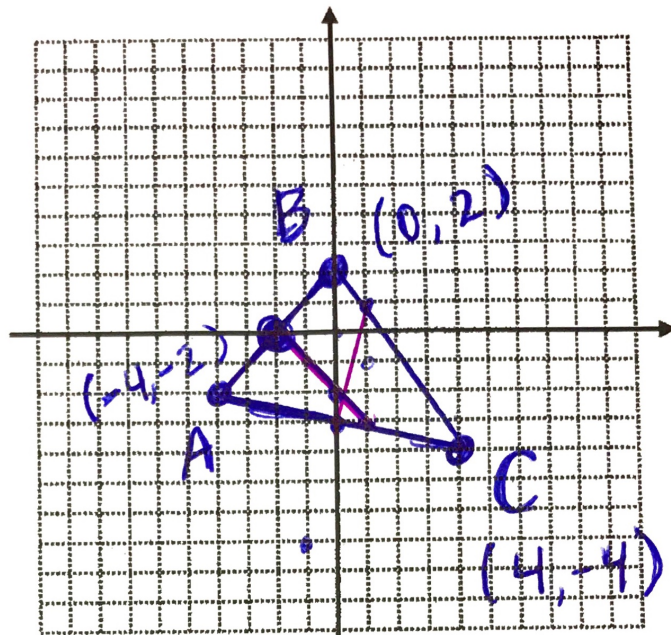
$$m = -1$$

$$0 = -1(-2) + b$$

$$0 = 2 + b$$

$$-2 = b$$

$$y = -x - 2$$



e. Follow the same steps to write and graph the equation of the line containing perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{AC}$ .

MID

$$\frac{-4+4}{2}, \frac{-2+(-4)}{2}$$

$$(0, -3)$$

PERP SLOPE

$$\frac{-2+(-4)}{-4-4} = \frac{-6}{-8} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$(4)$$

$$(x, y)$$

$$m = 4$$

$$-3 = 4(0) + b$$

$$-3 = b$$

$$y = 4x - 3$$

f. Calculate the circumcenter (point D) of  $\triangle ABC$ . Plot and label the point on the graph.

~~Check by constructing a circumscribed circle.~~

$$y = -x - 2$$

$$y = 4x - 3$$

$$-x - 2 = 4x - 3$$

$$1 = 5x$$

$$\frac{1}{5} = x$$

$$y = -\frac{1}{5} - 2$$

$$y = -2\frac{1}{5} \text{ or } -2.2$$

$$(0.2, -2.2)$$

Orthocenter

2. Plot the points  $A(-2, 2)$ ,  $B(4, 4)$ ,  $C(2, -2)$ . Draw triangle  $\triangle ABC$ .

a. Find the slope of  $\overline{AB}$ .

$$\frac{2-4}{-2-4} = \frac{-2}{-6} = \frac{1}{3}$$

b. What is the slope of altitude  $\overline{CD}$ ?

$$-3$$

(has to make right  $\angle$  w/  $AB$ )

c. Write and graph the equation of the line containing altitude  $\overline{CD}$ .

$$\begin{aligned} C(2, -2) \quad m = -3 \quad -2 &= -3(2) + b \\ -2 &= -6 + b \\ 4 &= b \end{aligned} \quad y = -3x + 4$$

d. Follow the same steps to write and graph the equation of the line containing altitude  $\overline{BE}$ .

**SLOPE AC**

$$\frac{2+2}{-2-2} = \frac{4}{-4} = -1$$

$$m = 1$$

$B(4, 4)$

$$\begin{aligned} 4 &= 1(4) + b \\ 4 &= 4 + b \\ 0 &= b \end{aligned} \quad y = x$$

e. Calculate the orthocenter (point G) of  $\triangle ABC$ . Plot and label the point on the graph.

$$\begin{aligned} y &= -3x + 4 \\ y &= x \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} -3x + 4 &= x \\ 4 &= 4x \\ 1 &= x \end{aligned} \quad \begin{aligned} y &= x \\ y &= 1 \end{aligned} \quad (1, 1)$$

f. Find the equation of the line containing altitude  $\overline{AF}$ . Your orthocenter should be on that line as well. Substitute your point into this equation to check that it works.

**SLOPE BC**

$$\frac{4+2}{4-2} = \frac{6}{2} = 3$$

$$m = \left(-\frac{1}{3}\right)$$

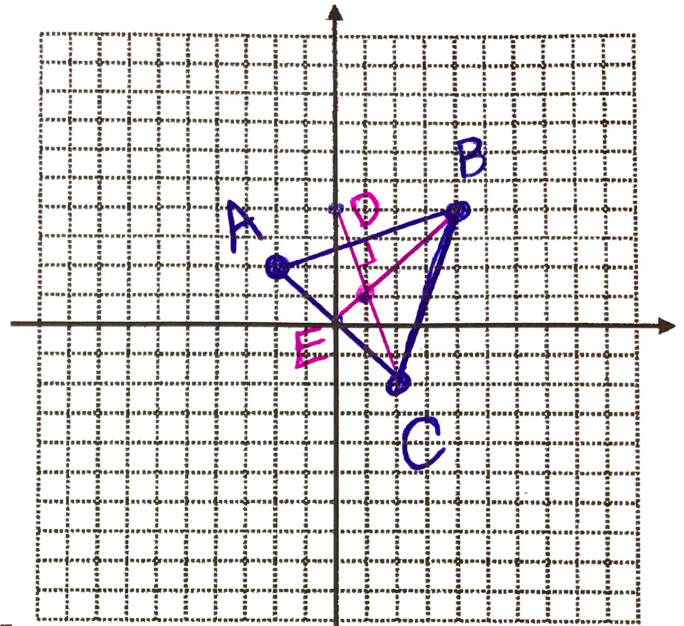
$A(-2, 2)$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 &= -\frac{1}{3}(-2) + b \\ 2 &= \frac{2}{3} + b \\ \frac{4}{3} &= b \end{aligned} \quad y = -\frac{1}{3}x + \frac{4}{3}$$

ortho  $(1, 1)$

$$1 = -\frac{1}{3}(1) + \frac{4}{3}$$

$$1 = 1 \quad \checkmark$$



Centroid

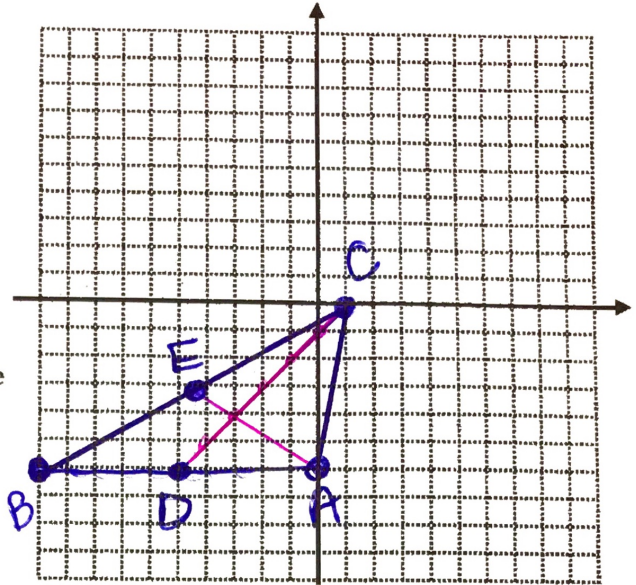
3. Plot the points  $A(0, -6), B(-10, -6), C(1, 0)$ . Draw  $\triangle ABC$ .

a. Find the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$  and label that point D.

$(-5, -6)$

b. Write and graph the equation of the line containing median  $\overline{CD}$ .

Slope CD  $C(1, 0) \quad m = 1$   
 $\frac{-6 - 0}{-5 - 1} = \frac{-6}{-6} = 1$   
 $0 = 1(1) + b$   
 $0 = 1 + b$   
 $-1 = b$   
 $y = x - 1$



c. Follow the same steps to write and graph the equation of the line containing the median  $\overline{AE}$ .

mid BC  $A(0, -6) \quad m = -\frac{2}{3}$   
 $\frac{-10 + 1}{2}, \frac{-6 + 0}{2}$   
 $(-4.5, -3)$   
Slope AE  
 $\frac{-6 + 3}{0 + 4.5} = -\frac{2}{3}$   
 $0 = -\frac{2}{3}(0) + b$   
 $-6 = b$   
 $y = -\frac{2}{3}x - 6$

d. Calculate the centroid (point F) of  $\triangle ABC$ . Plot and label the point on the graph. Find the average of your x's and the average of your y's. Do your calculations match?

Centroid =  $(-3, -4)$       Aver. x  $\frac{0 + -10 + 1}{3} = -3$   
 Aver. y  $\frac{-6 + -6 + 0}{3} = -4$

e. Two vertices of a triangle are  $(0, 0)$  and  $(9, 0)$ . The centroid is  $(6, 1)$ . Find the third vertex of the triangle.

Average x  $\frac{0 + 9 + x}{3} = 6$        $9 + x = 18$        $(9, 3)$   
 $x = 9$   
 Average y  $\frac{0 + 0 + y}{3} = 1$        $y = 3$

f. Connect the midpoints of each side of the triangle to form a smaller triangle within the original triangle. Find the coordinates of the centroid of the smaller triangle. What happened and why?

They share the same centroid

