

# Honors Geometry

## Notes Section 4.8

### Use Isosceles and Equilateral Triangles

#### VOCABULARY

**Legs of an Isosceles Triangle** \_\_\_\_\_

**Vertex Angle:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Base:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Base Angles:** \_\_\_\_\_

#### **THEOREM 4.7** Base Angles Theorem

If two sides of a triangle are congruent, then the angles opposite them are congruent.

If  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$ , then  $\angle B \cong \angle C$ .



#### **THEOREM 4.8** Converse of Base Angles Theorem

If two angles of a triangle are congruent, then the sides opposite them are congruent.

If  $\angle B \cong \angle C$ , then  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$ .

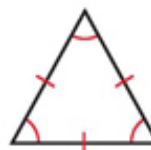


#### **Corollary to the Base Angles Theorem**

If a triangle is equilateral, then it is equiangular.

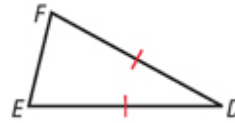
#### **Corollary to the Converse of Base Angles Theorem**

If a triangle is equiangular, then it is equilateral.

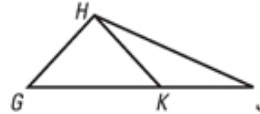


**EXAMPLE 1**

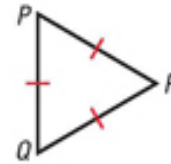
a) Name 2 congruent angles



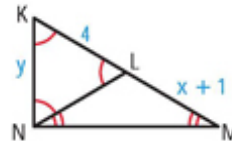
b) Name 2 congruent sides



**EXAMPLE 2** Find the measures of  $\angle P$ ,  $\angle Q$  and  $\angle R$ .



**EXAMPLE 3** Find the values of x and y.

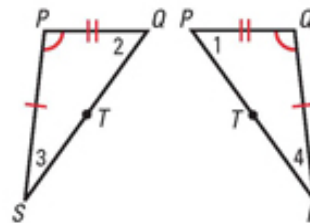


**EXAMPLE 4** In the lifeguard tower,  $PS \cong QR$  and  $\angle QPS \cong \angle PQR$ .



a) What theorem/postulate proves  $\triangle QPS \cong \triangle PQR$ ?

b) Why is  $\triangle PQT$  isosceles?



c) Show that  $\triangle PTS \cong \triangle QTR$