# Honors Geometry Notes Section 8.3 <br> Show that a Quadrilateral is a Parallelogram 

## THEOREM 8.7

If both pairs of opposite sides of a quadrilateral are congruent, then the quadrilateral is a parallelogram.


If $\overline{A B} \cong \overline{C D}$ and $\overline{B C} \cong \overline{A D}$, then $A B C D$ is a parallelogram.

## THEOREM 8.8

If both pairs of opposite angles of a quadrilateral are congruent, then the quadrilateral is a parallelogram.


If $\angle A \cong \angle C$ and $\angle B \cong \angle D$, then $A B C D$ is a parallelogram.

## THEOREM 8.9

If one pair of opposite sides of a quadrilateral are congruent and parallel, then the quadrilateral is a parallelogram.


If $\overline{B C} \| \overline{A D}$ and $\overline{B C} \cong \overline{A D}$, then $A B C D$ is a parallelogram.

## THEOREM 8.10

If the diagonals of a quadrilateral bisect each other, then the quadrilateral is a parallelogram.


If $\overline{B D}$ and $\overline{A C}$ bisect each other, then $A B C D$ is a parallelogram.

## Ways to Prove a Quadrilateral is a Parallelogram

1. Show both pairs of opposite sides are parallel. (DEFINITION)

2. Show both pairs of opposite sides are congruent.
(Theorem 8.7)

3. Show both pairs of opposite angles are congruent. (Theorem 8.8)

4. Show one pair of opposite sides are congruent and parallel. (Theorem 8.9)

5. Show the diagonals bisect each other.
(Theorem 8.10)


EXAMPLE 1 An amusement park ride has a moving platform attached to four swinging arms. The platform swings back and forth, higher and higher, until it goes over the top and around in a circular motion. AD and $B C$ represent two of the swinging arms, and $D C$ is parallel to the ground (line I). Explain why the moving platform $A B$ is always parallel to the ground.


EXAMPLE 2 The doorway is part of a building in England. Over time, the building has leaned sideways. Explain how you know that SV=TU.


EXAMPLE 3 For what value of $x$ is the quadrilateral CDEF a parallelogram?


EXAMPLE 4 Show that quadrilateral $A B C D$ is a parallelogram.
a) Definition of a Parallelogram

b) Theorem 8-7
c) Theorem 8-9
d) Theorem 8-10

