

Introductions to Triangles

Classify by ANGLES:

Acute: \angle less than 90° (all are acute)

Obtuse: \angle more than 90° (1 Angle)

Right: \angle equals 90° (1 angle)

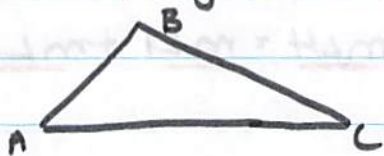
Classify by SIDES:

Equilateral: all sides are the same (EQUAL)

Scalene: no side lengths are the same

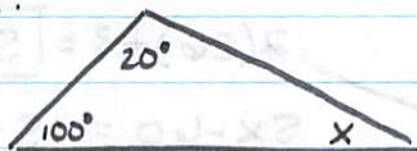
Isosceles: at least 2 sides are the same

* Triangle Sum Theorem - the sum of the angle measures of a Δ is 180° .



$$m\angle A + m\angle B + m\angle C = 180^\circ$$

Ex:



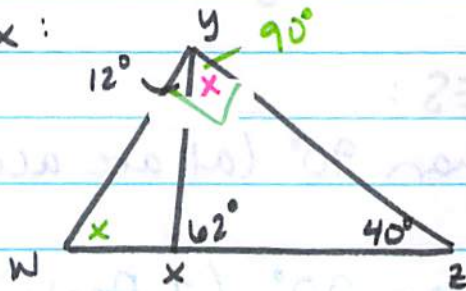
$$100 + 20 + x = 180$$

$$120 + x = 180$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 120 + x = 180 \\ -120 \quad -120 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\boxed{x = 60}$$

Ex:



Find $m\angle XYZ$

$$62 + 40 + x = 180$$

$$102 + x = 180$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -102 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$x = 78$$

$$\boxed{m\angle XYZ = 78^\circ}$$

Find $m\angle YWZ$

$$40 + 90 + x = 180$$

$$130 + x = 180$$

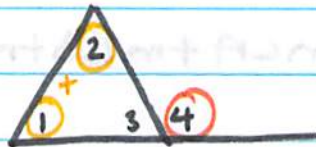
$$\begin{array}{r} -130 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$x = 50$$

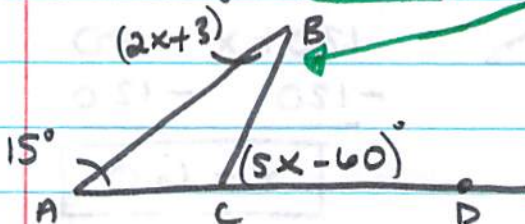
$$\boxed{m\angle YWZ = 50}$$

* Exterior Angle Theorem - the measure of an ext. \angle of a Δ is equal to the sum of the measures of its remote int. \angle 's.

$$m\angle 4 = m\angle 1 + m\angle 2$$



EX: Find $m\angle B$



$$2(26) + 3 = \boxed{55^\circ}$$

$$5x - 60 = 15 + 2x + 3$$

$$5x - 60 = 18 + 2x$$

$$\begin{array}{r} -2x \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3x - 60 = 18 \\ +60 +60 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

$$3x = 78$$

$$\boxed{x = 26}$$