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5.1 Centered!

**A Develop Understanding Task**

Travis and Tehani know how to construct the image of a rotation when given the center and angle of rotation, but today they have encountered a different issue: how do you find the center of rotation when a rotated image and its pre-image are given? They decide to explore this idea with their friends, Carlos and Clarita.

Each pair of friends creates a “puzzle” for the other pair by sketching a drawing on graph paper in which a rotation of a figure is shown, but the center of rotation is not marked. The other pair has to figure out where the center of rotation is located. Here are the “puzzles” they created for each other.

Carlos and Clarita think that the puzzle they have been given is too easy, since it only consists of a single rotated point and its pre-image.
Carlos: “The center of rotation is at the midpoint (2,4), halfway between the image and pre-image points, and the point has been rotated 180°.”

Clarita disagrees: “The center of rotation is at the point (0, 0) since both the image and pre-image points are 5 units away from origin. I’ll need to use a protractor to find the angle of rotation.”

Laughing, Tehani says, “You’re both wrong. We didn’t use either (2, 4) or (0, 0) as the center of rotation when we created the puzzle.”

Carlos replies, “I can see how both of our points can be the center of rotation, but now I think that with a single image/pre-image pair of points any point can be the center of rotation.”

1. This puzzle has turned out to be more challenging than Carlos and Clarita thought. List at least three additional points that could be considered the center of rotation, and justify your choices.

2. What do you think about Carlos’ last statement, “Any point can be the center of rotation”? Do you agree or disagree? If you agree, explain. If you disagree, what would be a better statement to make about the set of points that can be used as the center of rotation for a single rotated point and its pre-image?

3. Now examine the puzzle Carlos and Clarita gave to Travis and Tehani. Find the center of rotation for this puzzle; or, if you believe there can be more that one center of rotation, describe how all of the possible centers of rotation are related.
4. On the following page, describe and illustrate your process for finding the center of rotation of a figure consisting of several image/pre-image pairs of points. If you make any claims in your description make sure you provide a proof of your claims. Use correct mathematical vocabulary. Here are some words and their definitions for terms associated with circles. Some of these terms may be useful in your written description of how to find the center of rotation.

(Note: Not all of these words will be useful for answering question 4, but they will be useful in future tasks, so they are given here for reference.)

- **Circle**—the set of all points in a plane equidistant from a fixed point called the center of the circle.
- **Concentric circles**—a set of different circles that share the same center.
- **Chord**—a line segment whose endpoints lie on a circle.
- **Secant**—a line that intersects a circle at exactly two points.
- **Tangent**—a line that intersects a circle at exactly one point.
- **Diameter**—a chord that passes through the center of a circle.
- **Radius**—a line segment with one endpoint at the center of a circle and the other endpoint on the circle.

  **Note**: the words *radius* and *diameter* also are used to refer to the lengths of these segments.

- **Arc**—a portion of a circle.
- **Central angle**—an angle whose vertex is at the center of a circle and whose sides pass through a pair of points on the circle.
- **Inscribed angle**—an angle formed when two secant lines, or a secant and tangent line, intersect at a point on a circle.
- **Intercepted arc**—the portion of a circle that lies between two lines, rays or line segments that intersect the circle.
My process for finding the center of rotation of a figure consisting of several image/pre-image pairs of points:

5. Prove the following theorem: *In a circle, the perpendicular bisector of a chord bisects the central angle formed by the radii drawn to the endpoints of the chord.*
5.1 Centered! – Teacher Notes

A Develop Understanding Task

Purpose: In this task students are asked to develop a strategy for locating the center of a rotation, which leads to the observation that the center of rotation lies on the perpendicular bisectors of the segments joining image/pre-image pair of points. Such segments are defined to be chords of the circles on which the image/pre-image points are located. This work provides a method for finding the center of a circle. Students should also be able to prove that the perpendicular bisector of a chord contains a diameter of the circle and that the central angle formed by the radii that pass through the endpoints of the chord is bisected by the perpendicular diameter.

Core Standards Focus:

G.C.2 Identify and describe relationships among inscribed angles, radii, and chords. Include the relationship between central, inscribed, and circumscribed angles; inscribed angles on a diameter are right angles; the radius of a circle is perpendicular to the tangent where the radius intersects the circle.

G.CO.9 Prove theorems about lines and angles. Theorems include: points on a perpendicular bisector of a line segment are exactly those equidistant from the segment's endpoints.

Standards for Mathematical Practice:

SMP 7 – Look for and make use of structure
SMP 8 – Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning

The Teaching Cycle:
Launch (Whole Class):
Read through the story context at the beginning of this task with your students, and point out that they will be working on the same two puzzles that are given in the task. Have three different
students take on the roles of Carlos, Clarita and Tehani and read through the dialog following the description of the puzzles. Assign students to work with a partner on questions 1-4.

**Explore (Small Group):**
In task 5.2, *Do You See What I See?*, students proved that points on the perpendicular bisector of a line segment are equidistant from the endpoints of the line segment. In question 2 of this task they draw upon the converse of that statement—the points equidistant from the endpoints of a segment lie on the perpendicular bisector of the segment. Listen for students who are generating a “proof-like” argument in their work on questions 1 and 2. For the specific case presented in Travis and Tehani’s diagram, a proof might consist of the following statements: Carlos and Clarita have already verified that the points (2, 4) and (0, 0) are equidistant from $A$ and $A'$. Consider the triangle whose vertices are at (0, 0), (2, 4) and $A$, and the triangle whose vertices are at (0, 0), (2, 4) and $A'$. These two triangles are congruent by SSS. The corresponding angles of these two triangles that share a vertex at (2, 4) are congruent and form a straight angle, therefore, they are right angles. Since the line through the points (0, 0) and (2, 4) also passes through the midpoint of segment $AA'$, it is the perpendicular bisector of that segment. Identify a student who can present this argument during the whole class discussion.

In question 3 watch for the strategy to emerge of drawing line segments between image/pre-image pairs of points and then drawing the perpendicular bisectors of those line segments. The three perpendicular bisectors will be concurrent at a single point, the center of the rotation. Identify a student who can present this strategy during the whole class discussion.

For question 5, watch for students who draw a diagram similar to the one at the left to illustrate this problem. Students should identify the two congruent triangles formed by the radii, the chord, and the perpendicular bisector to the chord. In this diagram, $\triangle ABD$ and $\triangle ACD$ are congruent by SSS. Therefore, $\angle DAB$ and $\angle DAC$ are congruent because they are corresponding parts of congruent triangles. This proves that
we have bisected $\angle BAC$. Identify a student who can share a proof of this theorem during the whole class discussion.

**Discuss (Whole Class):**

Begin the whole class discussion by reviewing the definitions of the terms listed in question 4. Many of these words will be familiar, but some new terms for students may include chord, secant line, tangent line, central angle, inscribed angle, and intercepted arc. Have students provide illustrations of each of these terms based on the definitions. Have students record these terms in their notebooks or on a word wall.

Have selected students present their work on question 2, question 3 and question 5. For question 2, generalize this proof beyond the specific case given by Travis’ and Tehani’s puzzle. Following the discussion on question 3, ask students to describe a general strategy for locating the center of a rotation.

As a follow-up to the work of this task, ask students to describe a general strategy for finding the center of a circle. (For example, draw two chords and their perpendicular bisectors. The two perpendicular bisectors will intersect at the center of the circle.)

**Aligned Ready, Set, Go: Circles: A Geometric Perspective 5.1**
READY

Topic: Scale Factor, Center of Dilation

For each pre-image and image determine the scale factor between the two figures.

1. Scale Factor:

2. Scale Factor:

3. Scale Factor:

4. Scale Factor:

Each pre-image below is the result of a dilation. For each pair of figures given determine the coordinates for the center of dilation.

5. Center of dilation:

6. Center of dilation:

7. Center of dilation:

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SET

Topic: Finding the Center of Dilation

In each figure find and mark at least four possible centers of rotation that would work for rotating the image point to the pre-image point.

8. Centers of rotation:

9. Centers of rotation:

10. Centers of rotation

In each figure below a rotation was done to produce the image, find the center of rotation.

12. Center of rotation:

13. Center of rotation:

14. Center of rotation

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Topic: Finding Circumference and Areas of Circles

Find the area and circumference of the given circles.

15. 

16. 

17. Find the circumference and area for the circles below and compare the results carefully.

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5.2 Circle Dilations

A Develop Understanding Task

The statement “all circles are similar” may seem intuitively obvious, since all circles have the same shape even though they may be different sizes. However, we can learn a lot about the properties of circles by working on the proof of this statement.

Remember that the definition of similarity requires us to find a sequence of dilations and rigid motion transformations that superimposes one figure onto the other.

Zac is describing to Sione how he would prove that circle $A$ is similar to circle $B$.

Zac: “Translate circle $A$ until its center coincides with the center of circle $B$. Then enlarge circle $A$ by dilation until the points on circle $A$ coincide with the points on circle $B$. Or, you could shrink circle $B$ by dilation until the points on circle $B$ coincide with the points on circle $A$.”
Sione has some questions: "After the translation, what is the scale factor for the enlargement that carries circle A onto circle B? And, what is the scale factor for the reduction that carries circle B onto circle A?"

1. How would you answer Sione’s questions?

Based on Zac and Sione’s discussion, we are probably convinced that circle A and circle B are similar. Another way we might convince ourselves that the two circles are similar would be to find the center of dilation that maps pre-image points from circle A onto corresponding image points on circle B.

2. Locate the center of dilation that carries circle A onto circle B. Explain how you know the point you found is the center of dilation. (Note that both circles have been drawn tangent to RS.)

3. Draw some chords, triangles or other polygons inscribed in each circle that would be similar to each other. Explain how you know these corresponding figures are similar.

4. Based on the figures you drew in question 3, write some proportionality statements that you know are true.

5. Here is a proportionality statement you may not have considered. What convinces you that it is true?

\[
\frac{\text{circumference of circle } A}{\text{diameter of circle } A} = \frac{\text{circumference of circle } B}{\text{diameter of circle } B}
\]
Since this ratio of circumference to diameter is the same scale factor for all circles, this ratio has been given the name $\pi$ (pi).

6. How much larger is the circumference of circle $B$ than the circumference of circle $A$?

7. Do you think the following proportion is true or false? Why?

$$\frac{\text{area of circle } B}{\text{area of circle } A} = \frac{\text{circumference of circle } B}{\text{circumference of circle } A}$$
5.2 Circle Dilations– Teacher Notes

A Develop Understanding Task

**Purpose:** In this task students consider the similarity of circles by examining two different transformation strategies that map one circle onto another. In the first strategy one circle is translated so that the center of the circles coincide. The inner circle can then be enlarged to carry it onto the outer circle, or the outer circle can be shrunk to carry it onto the inner circle. Students are asked to determine the scale factors for both the enlargement and the reduction. In the second strategy students observe that any circle can be mapped onto any other circle by dilation. Students are also asked to find the scale factor of this dilation, which is the same scale factor as the enlargement (or reduction) factor used in the first strategy. Students are also given the opportunity to draw similar figures inscribed within the two circles, which has the potential of surfacing some observations about central and inscribed angles, and the relationship between tangent lines and radii.

**Core Standards Focus:**

G.C.1  Prove that all circles are similar.

**Related Standards:** G.C.2

**Standards for Mathematical Practice:**

SMP 7 – Look for and make use of structure

**The Teaching Cycle:**

**Launch:**

Students should have access to this task based on the work with dilations in module 6. After posing the main question to be explored in this task, "Are all circles similar?" set students to work on the task.
Explore:

Students may be confused about finding the scale factors asked for in question 1, since no numbers are given. Ask what they would do if the specific radii of the two circles were given. Help students recognize the scale factor for the enlargement would be \( \frac{r_2}{r_1} \) and for the reduction it would be \( \frac{r_1}{r_2} \).

For question 2 students need to recognize that the line \( RS \) will pass through the center of dilation, as will the line \( AB \) which contains the centers of the circles, since both lines map a point on circle \( A \) to its image on circle \( B \). The point of intersection of these two lines will be the center of dilation.

Question 3 may challenge students until they realize that any line through the center of dilation will map points on circle \( A \) to their images on circle \( B \). Such secant lines will identify vertices of similar figures that can be inscribed in circle \( A \) and circle \( B \). Therefore, encourage students to focus on inscribed triangles and inscribed polygons—figures that have their vertices on the circles—so they can map corresponding pre-image points to image points in the other circle. Once students have created one or more inscribed polygons that are similar to each other, they should be able to write some proportionality statements for question 4. Watch for two types of proportionality statements: ones where the ratios consist of two segments from the same figure, and ones where the ratios consist of corresponding segments from similar figures.

In question 6 help students recognize that while the ratio of circumference to diameter of each circle is \( \pi \), the ratio of the circumference of the larger circle to the circumference of the smaller circle is \( \frac{r_2}{r_1} \).

To help resolve question 7 you may refer back to task 6.1, *Photocopy Faux Pas*, where it was observed that the scale factor for area is the square of the scale factor for line segments in dilated figures. Since the circumference is a linear measurement, the ratio of the areas of the circles will be the square of the ratio of the circumferences.
Discuss:

Much of the whole class discussion should focus on the similar figures students created for question 3 in order to talk about inscribed angles and intercepted arcs, and possibly surface the relationship between inscribed angles and central angles. Pose a possible pair of similar figures such as the following (or use a student-generated pair of similar figures that will get at these same issues).

- Ask students to identify some similar triangles in this diagram. Use these triangles to write some proportionality statements.
- Ask students to identify some isosceles triangles in this diagram and explain how they know they are isosceles.
- Ask students to identify any inscribed angles.
- Ask students to identify any central angles and point out that a central angle and the intercepted arc have the same degree measure.
- Ask students if they think there are any right triangles in this figure, and why they think the triangle contains a right angle.

Students may suggest that ΔHGF is a right triangle by the way it looks. Point out that ∠HGF is an inscribed angle that intercepts the semicircular arc FH and that the triangle is inscribed in a semicircle. If ∠HGF is a right angle, then it measures half of the 180° arc it intercepts. This conjecture needs justification.

Either end the discussion with this last observation, which will be revisited in the next task, or you may choose to continue this discussion about the relationship between inscribed angles and their intercepted arcs. If you choose to continue the discussion, label the angles of the triangles in circle B as shown in the following diagram. Ask students the following questions to generate a conjecture...
and proof about the relationship between the degree measure of an inscribed angle and its intercepted arc:

- How do we know \( x = y \)? (Because \( \triangle BFG \) is isosceles since two sides of the triangle are radii.)
- How do we know \( w = x + y \)? (An external angle of a triangle measures the sum of the two remote interior angles.)
- What does this imply about the relationship between \( x \) and \( w \)? (By substitution, \( w = 2x \) or \( x = \frac{1}{2}w \).)
- What does this imply about the relationship between an inscribed angle and its intercepted arc?

Aligned Ready, Set, Go: Circles: A Geometric Perspective 5.2
READY

Topic: Finding missing angles, rotational symmetry, regular polygons

Find the missing angle in each of the figures below.

1. \( \angle x = \)

2. \( m\angle x = \)

3. \( m\angle x = \quad m\angle y = \)

4. \( m\angle q = \quad m\angle r = \quad m\angle s = \)

Find the angles of rotational symmetry for the regular polygons. Rotational symmetry means that the polygon rotates the indicated number of degrees to land on itself and all points in the image coincide with the pre-image.

5.  

6.  

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SET
Topic: Dilation, proportionality between similar figures

For each set of similar figures complete the proportionality statements.

7. \( \triangle ABC \sim \triangle CDE \)
   a. \( \frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{?}{?} \)
   b. \( \frac{AC}{AB} = \frac{?}{CD} \)
   c. \( \frac{BC}{AC} = \frac{DE}{?} \)

8a. \( \frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{?}{B'C'} \)
   b. \( \frac{B'C}{B'C'} = \frac{?}{?} \)

9. Quadrilateral \( ABCD \sim \) Quadrilateral \( EFGH \)
   a. \( \frac{EF}{CD} = \frac{GH}{?} \)
   b. \( \frac{\text{Circumference Large Circle}}{\text{Circumference Small Circle}} = \frac{?}{?} \)
GO

Topic: Finding lines of reflection, finding the center of a circle.

Find the line of reflection between the image and the pre-image.

10.

Find the center of each circle. (Hint: rotations happen on circles and so finding the center of a circle is like finding the center of rotation between pairs of point on the circle.)

12. Use the given chords to assist you.

13. Draw two chords to assist you.

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5.3 Cyclic Polygons

A Solidify Understanding Task

By definition, a cyclic polygon is a polygon that can be inscribed in a circle. That is, all of the vertices of the polygon lie on the same circle.

Part 1

In task 3.9 Centers of a Triangle your work on Kara’s notes and diagram should have convinced you that it is possible to locate a point that is equidistant from all three vertices of any triangle, and therefore all triangles are cyclic polygons.

1. Based on Kara’s work, use a compass and straightedge to construct the circles that contain all three vertices in each of the following triangles.

Since each vertex of an inscribed triangle lies on the circle, each angle of the triangle is an inscribed angle. We know that the sum of the measures of the interior angles of the triangle is 180° and that the sum of the measures of the three intercepted arcs is 360°.

2. Using one of the diagrams of an inscribed triangle you created above, illustrate and explain why this last statement is true.
We know that the degree measure of an arc is, by definition, the same as the measure of the central angle formed by the radii that contain the endpoints of the arc. But how is the measure of an inscribed angle that intercepts this same arc related to the measure of the central angle and the intercepted arc? That is something useful to find out.

3. Using a protractor, find the measure of each arc represented on each circle diagram above. Then find the measure of each corresponding inscribed angle. Make a conjecture based on this data.

My conjecture about the measure of an inscribed angle:

The three circle diagrams you created above have been reproduced below. One inscribed angle has been bolded in each triangle. A diameter of the circle has also been added to each diagram as an auxiliary line segment, as well as some additional line segments that will assist in writing proofs about the inscribed angles. Three cases are illustrated: case 1, where the diameter is a side of the inscribed angle; case 2, where the diameter lies in the interior of the inscribed angle; and case 3, where the diameter lies in the exterior of the inscribed angle. In each diagram, prove your conjecture about the measure of an inscribed angle for the inscribed angle shown in bold.

Case 1: [Hint: Look for isosceles triangles and an external angle of a triangle.]
Case 2: [Hint: Can you see case 1 in case 2?]

Case 3:
Part 2

We have found that all triangles are cyclic polygons. Now let’s examine possible cyclic quadrilaterals.

4. Using dynamic geometry software, experiment with different types of quadrilaterals. Based on your experimentation, decide which word best completes each of the following statements:

   a. [Some, all, no] squares are cyclic.
   b. [Some, all, no] rhombuses are cyclic.
   c. [Some, all, no] trapezoids are cyclic.
   d. [Some, all, no] rectangles are cyclic.
   e. [Some, all, no] parallelograms are cyclic.

Obviously, some generic quadrilaterals are cyclic, since you can select any four points on a circle as the vertices of a quadrilateral.

5. Using dynamic geometry software, experiment with cyclic quadrilaterals that are not parallelograms or trapezoids. Focus on the measurements of the angles. Make a conjecture about the measures of the angles of a cyclic quadrilateral. Then prove your conjecture using what you know about inscribed angles.

   My conjecture about the angles of a cyclic quadrilateral:
Proof of my conjecture:

(How might you use the following diagram to assist you in your proof?)

Part 3

In task 3.9 Centers of a Triangle, your work on Kolton’s notes and diagram should have convinced you that it is possible to locate a point that is equidistant from all three sides of a triangle, and therefore a circle can be inscribed inside every triangle.

6. Based on Kolton’s work, use a compass and straightedge to construct the circles that can be inscribed in each of the following triangles. Once you have located the center of the inscribed circle, how do you determine where the points of tangency between the circle and the sides of the triangle are located?
7. Angles formed by lines that are tangent to a circle are called circumscribed angles. Use dynamic geometry software to experiment with the measures of circumscribed angles relative to the arcs they intercept. Make a conjecture about the measures of the circumscribed angles. Then prove your conjecture using what you know about inscribed angles.

My conjecture about the measures of circumscribed angles:

Proof of my conjecture:

8. Based on your work in this task and the previous task, describe a procedure for constructing a tangent line to a circle through a given point outside the circle.
5.3 Cyclic Polygons – Teacher Notes
A Solidify Understanding Task

**Purpose:** In the context of constructing circumscribed and inscribed circles for a triangle, students make observations about the relationships between central angles, inscribed angles and circumscribed angles. These observations are used to prove that angles inscribed in a semicircle are right angles, opposite angles of inscribed quadrilaterals are supplementary, and a tangent line to a circle is perpendicular to the radius drawn to the point of tangency.

**Core Standards Focus:**

**G.C.2** Identify and describe relationships among inscribed angles, radii, and chords. Include the relationship between central, inscribed, and circumscribed angles; inscribed angles on a diameter are right angles; the radius of a circle is perpendicular to the tangent where the radius intersects the circle.

**G.C.3** Construct the inscribed and circumscribed circles of a triangle, and prove properties of angles for a quadrilateral inscribed in a circle.

**G.C.4** Construct a tangent line from a point outside a given circle to the circle.

**Standards for Mathematical Practice:**

SMP 3 – Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others
SMP 7 – Look for and make use of structure

**The Teaching Cycle:**

**Launch:**
Remind students of their work with inscribed angles and inscribed polygons from the previous task. Also have students review their work on 5.8, *Centers of a Triangle*, and how they were able to locate the centers of a circumscribed circle and an inscribed circle based on their work in that task.
Set the purpose for this task by reading through the following statement with students (this statement appears between questions 2 and 3 in the task). Illustrate this statement with a diagram.

We know that the degree measure of an arc is, by definition, the same as the measure of the central angle formed by the radii that contain the endpoints of the arc. But how is the measure of an inscribed angle that intercepts this same arc related to the measure of the central angle and the intercepted arc? That is something useful to find out.

Once students understand the question they are to explore, set them to work on the task.

Explore (Small Group): [part 1]
Even if you pursued the discussion about the relationship between a central angle and an inscribed angle in the previous task, this knowledge is probably tentative and fragile. This task gives students an opportunity (or another opportunity) to explore this relationship. Listen for the conjecture students make about the inscribed angle in question 3 based on experimental data. Helps students state an accurate conjecture to prove: The measure of an inscribed angle is one-half of the measure of the central angle that intercepts the same arc. The proof of case 1 is the same as the proof provided in the whole class discussion of the previous task. If students get stuck on that proof, use the questions provided in the previous task to help generate the ideas behind the proof of case 1. Identify students who can present a proof for each of the three cases.

Discuss (Whole Class): [part 1]
Begin the discussion by stating a class conjecture about the measure of an inscribed angle. Then have selected students present their proofs for each of the three cases.

Launch (Whole Class): [part 2]
Since all triangles can by inscribed in a circle, ask students if they think all quadrilaterals can also be inscribed in a circle. Make sure students understand that this would mean that all four vertices are equidistant from the same point. Allow students to think of some possible counterexamples. Then
set them to work on this part of the task where they will explore characteristics of quadrilaterals that are “cyclic”, that is, quadrilaterals that can be inscribed in a circle.

**Explore (Small Group): [part 2]**
As students explore, remind them to pay attention to inscribed angles and intercepted arcs. These relationships will support them in making a conjecture. When all students have explored questions 4a-4e, and some students have arrived at a reasonable conjecture and perhaps a supporting proof, move to the whole class discussion.

**Discuss (Whole Class): [part 2]**
The focus of this discussion should be on the following idea: Since opposite angles of a cyclic quadrilateral intercept arcs that add together to form the circumference of the circle, the sum of the two opposite angles add to 180°. Therefore, opposite angles of cyclic quadrilaterals are supplementary. Consequently, squares and rectangles are always cyclic (with the center of the circumscribed circle located at the point of intersection of the diagonals).

**Launch (Whole Class): [part 3]**
Point out to students that we have learned a lot about inscribed angles and their intercepted arcs in parts 1 and 2 of this task. In part 3 we will examine circumscribed angles and intercepted arcs. Students are to begin their exploration of circumscribed angles by working on inscribing a circle inside a triangle.

**Explore (Small Group): [part 3]**
Help students notice that the rays of a circumscribed angle are tangent to the inscribed circle and perpendicular to the radius drawn to the point of tangency. The four points that include a vertex of the circumscribed triangle, the two points of tangency and the center of the inscribed circle form a quadrilateral. Ask students what they know about this quadrilateral.
Discuss (Whole Class): [part 3]

Two questions need to be discussed: (1) How do we convince ourselves that a line drawn tangent to a circle is perpendicular to a radius; and, (2) how do we find the measure of a circumscribed angle?

Question 1 can be answered using the following argument:
We know from our work with right triangles that the shortest segment from a point to a line is the segment that forms a right angle with the given line. The length of the radius drawn to the point of tangency of a circle is the shortest distance to the tangent line, since any other point lies in the exterior of the circle. Therefore, the radius is perpendicular to the tangent line.

Question 2 can be answered by forming the quadrilateral whose vertices include the vertex of the circumscribed triangle, the two points of tangency, and the center of the inscribed circle, as shown in the diagram. Since the two angles at the points of tangency are right angles, the other two angles must sum to 180°. Therefore, the circumscribed angle measures 180° minus the measure of the central angle that intercepts arc that is also intercepted by the circumscribed angle.

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**READY**
Topic: Symmetry and Trigonometric Ratios

**Determine the** angles of rotational symmetry and the number of lines of reflective symmetry for each of the polygons below.

1. Equilateral Triangle
2. Rectangle
3. Rhombus

4. Regular Hexagon
5. Square
6. Regular Decagon

Solve each right triangle, give the missing angles and sides.

7. 
8. 
9. 
10. 

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SET
Topic: Angles and how they connect with arcs.

Find the value of the angle or the intercepted arc indicated in each figure below.

11. $⊙$ with $m\angle LMN = 110^\circ$
   a. $m\widehat{LN} = $
   b. $m\angle OLN = $
   c. $m\widehat{OL} = $

12. $⊙$ with $m\angle ABC = 130^\circ$
   a. $m\widehat{AC} = $
   b. $m\angle CAD = $
   c. $m\widehat{DA} = $

13. $⊙ F$
   a. $m\widehat{EG} = $
   b. $m\widehat{EHG} = $
   c. $m\angle GEH = $
   d. $m\angle GFH = $

14. $⊙$ with diameter $\overline{NK}$
   a. $NK = \ $ NL=12 and KL=5
   b. $m\widehat{NLK} = $
   c. $m\widehat{JK} = $
   d. $m\angle NLK = $
   e. $m\widehat{KL} = $
   f. $m\angle NL = $

15. How can a triangle be used to show the connection between an inscribed angle and the angle measure of the arc it intercepts? What is true about the angle measures in any triangle? What is true about the arc measure for an entire circle?

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Topic: Finding lengths of arcs

Use what you know about finding circumference, \( C=2\pi r \) and Area, \( A=\pi r^2 \) for circles to find the indicated distances and areas below.

16. \( \odot R \) is cut by two diameters that are perpendicular to each other.

a. Find the distance to walk along arc NQ

b. Find the area inside one of the four sectors

c. Find the distance to walk along the following path:
   Start at point P and go to R then to Q and over to N then back to P.

17. \( \odot S \) is cut by three diameters that create equal angles at the center of the circle.

a. Find the distance to walk along arc UT

b. Find the area inside one of the six sectors

c. Find the distance to walk along the following path: Start at point U go to S then to V then to W followed by X and then back to U.
5.4 Planning the Gazebo

A Develop Understanding Task

Zac is using his knowledge of geometry to design a gazebo for his family’s back yard. The gazebo will be in the shape of a regular polygon. As part of his design, Zac will need to calculate several things so his parents can purchase the right amount of wood for the construction. For example, Zac will need to calculate the perimeter of the gazebo so he can order enough railing to surround it; he will need to calculate the area of the floor of the gazebo so he can order enough planks to lay it; and, he will need to calculate the surface area of the pyramid which forms the roof that will cover it. The problem is, his parents keep changing their minds about what shape they would like the gazebo to be—a hexagon, an octagon, a decagon, a dodecagon, or even some other type of $n$-gon.

From his work in Mathematics I with Symmetries of Regular Polygons, Zac knows that all regular polygons are cyclic—that is, every regular polygon can be inscribed in a circle. Zac is wondering if he can use this property of regular polygons to help him find their perimeter and area.

For his first attempt at creating a scale drawing of the gazebo, Zac has inscribed a regular hexagon inside a circle with a radius of 2 inches. He is wondering if this is enough information to find the perimeter of this hexagon and the area it encloses.

1. To get started with the task of finding the perimeter of this hexagon, Zac decides to write down what he already knows about this figure. Decide if you agree or disagree with each of his statements, and explain why. You will want to add features to the diagram to illustrate Zac’s comments.
What Zac thinks he knows: | Do you agree or disagree? Explain why.
---|---
Two radii drawn to two consecutive vertices of the regular hexagon form a central angle whose measure can be found based on the rotational symmetry of the figure. |
The hexagon can be decomposed into 6 congruent isosceles triangles. |
The length of the altitudes of each of these 6 congruent triangles (the altitude drawn from the vertex of the triangle which is located at the center of the circle) can be found using trigonometry. |
The length of the sides of the triangle that form chords of the circle can be found using trigonometry. |

2. Based on what you and Zac know, find the perimeter of the hexagon that he inscribed in the circle with a radius of 2 inches. Illustrate and describe your strategy so someone else can follow it.

3. Now find the area of the hexagon that Zac inscribed in the circle with a radius of 2 inches. Illustrate and describe your strategy so someone else can follow it.

4. What if Zac had inscribed an octagon inside the circle of radius 2 instead of a hexagon? Modify your strategy to find the perimeter and area of the octagon.
5. Modify your strategy to find the perimeter and area of any regular \( n \)-gon inscribed in a circle of any given radius.
5.4 Planning the Gazebo – Teacher Notes

A Develop Understanding Task

Purpose: In this task students will develop a strategy for finding the perimeter and area of regular polygons. This work will lead to informal arguments for the formulas of the circumference and area of a circle in the next task.

Core Standards Focus:

G.GMD.1 Give an informal argument for the formulas for the circumference of a circle, area of a circle, volume of a cylinder, pyramid, and cone. Use dissection arguments, Cavalieri’s principle, and informal limit arguments.

Standards for Mathematical Practice:

SMP 4 – Model with mathematics
SMP 7 – Look for and make use of structure
SMP 8 – Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning

The Teaching Cycle:

Launch (Whole Class):
Read through the story at the beginning of the task to give students a sense of the mathematics they will be working on—developing a strategy for finding the perimeter and area of regular polygons.

Explore (Small Group):
As students work on question 1 they need to do more than just say they agree with Zac’s ideas—they also need to illustrate what each idea means relative to the inscribed hexagon. Press students to explain their thinking by asking such questions as: How does rotational symmetry help you find the measures of the central angles? Why are the triangles that are formed by radii drawn to the
vertices isosceles? Why are these triangles congruent? How can we use trigonometry to find the lengths of the altitudes of these triangles? How can we find the lengths of the chords of the circle that form the sides of the inscribed hexagon? How might we combine all of these individual ideas into a strategy for finding the area of a regular hexagon?

**Discuss (Whole Class):**
Select students to share their strategies for finding the perimeter of a regular polygon inscribed in a circle. Begin with strategies that can be expressed as a sequence of steps, and if possible, end with a student who can present a generalized formula.

Students might describe a strategy for finding the perimeter and area of an \( n \)-gon as follows: (ask students to justify each statement)

- Find the measure of a central angle formed by two consecutive radii by dividing 360° by \( n \).
- Form a right triangle by drawing a radius from the center of the circle to a vertex of the \( n \)-gon, and drawing another segment from the center of the circle perpendicular to a side of the \( n \)-gon.
- The perpendicular segment drawn bisects the central angle, so we know one angle in the right triangle and can calculate the other angle from the fact that the sum of the angles in a triangle is 180°.
- Since we know the angles in the right triangle, we can use right triangle trigonometric ratios to find the lengths of both of the legs of this right triangle.
- The perimeter of the \( n \)-gon is \( 2n \) times the length of the leg of the right triangle that lies on the perimeter.
- The area of the \( n \)-gon is \( 2n \) times the area of one of the right triangles for which we have found the lengths of the two legs. These legs form the base and height of the right triangle, and therefore, we have the information we need to calculate the area of this right triangle.

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READY

Topic: Radius and Area or Circumference

Given the area or circumference or radius find the other two.

1. Radius = 1 m
   Area =
   Circumference =

2. Radius =
   Area = 9π ft²
   Circumference =

3. Radius =
   Area =
   Circumference = 8π yds

4. R =
   A = 3.14 m²
   C =

5. R = 7 miles
   A =
   C =

6. R =
   A =
   C = 81π inches

SET

Topic: Finding area and perimeter of regular polygons.

For each of the regular polygons find the measure of the interior angle, the perimeter and the area.

7. a. Measure of one interior angle:
   b. Perimeter:
   c. Area:

8. a. Measure of one interior angle:
   b. Perimeter:
   c. Area:

9. a. Measure of one interior angle:
   b. Perimeter:
   c. Area:

10. A regular polygon with 14 sides. And one side equal to 6 inches.
    a. Measure of one interior angle:
    b. Perimeter:
    c. Area:

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11. A 24-gon with sides equal to 12 meters.
   a. Measure of one interior angle:
   b. Perimeter:
   c. Area:

12. A nonagon with sides equal to 8 yards.
   a. Measure of one interior angle:
   b. Perimeter:
   c. Area:

**GO**

**Topic: Finding the area of a sector of a circle**

If a circle is cut into four equal pieces then the area of one piece would clearly be one forth of the area of the entire circle. If a circle is cut into six equal pieces then the area of one of the pieces would be a sixth of the total area and so forth, for n equal pieces the area of one piece would be one nth of the total area. With this in mind consider the area of a sector that is one degree in size. A circle split into sectors that are all one degree in size would have 360 sectors. How could you find the area of just one of them?

Once you have one of them you could multiply it by any amount to find a sector of any number of degrees. Use this strategy to find the area of the sector of each circle on the next page. Use the example below to assist you.

The area of the circle is $9\pi \text{ in}^2$

So, a sector of one degree would have area $\frac{9\pi}{360} \text{ in}^2$

And so the area of the sector with a central angle of $80^\circ$

Would be $(80) \frac{9\pi}{360}$ which simplifies to be $2\pi \text{ in}^2$.

Find the area of the sector indicated with the angle measure.

13.  
   \[
   \begin{array}{c}
   \text{160°} \\
   \text{5 in}
   \end{array}
   \]

14.  
   \[
   \begin{array}{c}
   \text{30°} \\
   \text{10 cm}
   \end{array}
   \]

15.  
   \[
   \begin{array}{c}
   \text{95°} \\
   \text{7 m}
   \end{array}
   \]

16.  
   \[
   \begin{array}{c}
   \text{170°} \\
   \text{2 m}
   \end{array}
   \]
5.5 From Polygons to Circles

A Solidify Understanding Task

Part 1: From perimeter to circumference

In the previous task, Planning the Gazebo, you developed a strategy for finding the perimeter of a regular polygon with \( n \) sides inscribed in a circle of radius \( r \). Tehani’s strategy consists of the following formula:

\[
P = 2n \cdot r \sin \left( \frac{360^\circ}{2n} \right)
\]

Tehani drew this diagram as part of her work as she developed this formula.

1. Using Tehani’s diagram, explain in detail how she arrived at her formula.

2. Since \( n \) is the only thing that varies in this formula, Travis suggests that Tehani might rewrite her formula in the form \( P = 2r \left[ n \cdot \sin \left( \frac{360^\circ}{2n} \right) \right] \). Because the perimeter of an \( n \)-gon approximates the circumference of a circle when \( n \) is a large number of sides, Travis suggests they examine what happens to the \( n \cdot \sin \left( \frac{360^\circ}{2n} \right) \) portion of Tehani’s formula as \( n \) gets larger and larger. Use a calculator or spreadsheet to complete the following table to see what happens.

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3. Write a formula for the circumference of a circle based on Tehani’s formula for the perimeter of an inscribed regular \( n \)-gon and what you have observed while generating this table.

Part 2: From the area of a polygon to the area of a circle

**Approach #1**

Tehani’s formula for the area of a regular polygon with \( n \) sides inscribed in a circle of radius \( r \) is:

\[
A = n \cdot r \sin \left( \frac{360^\circ}{2n} \right) \cdot r \cos \left( \frac{360^\circ}{2n} \right)
\]

4. Explain in detail how Tehani arrived at this formula. You may refer to the diagram above.

5. Travis suggests that they might rewrite Tehani’s formula in the form

\[
A = r^2 \cdot \left[ n \cdot \sin \left( \frac{360^\circ}{2n} \right) \cdot \cos \left( \frac{360^\circ}{2n} \right) \right]
\]

and then examine what happens to the last part of the formula as \( n \) gets larger and larger. Use a calculator or spreadsheet to complete the following table and see what happens.

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6. Write a formula for the area of a circle based on Tehani’s formula for the area of an inscribed regular \( n \)-gon and what you have observed while generating this table.
Approach #2

A circle can be decomposed into a set of thin, concentric rings, as shown on the left in the following diagram. If we unroll and stack these rings we can approximate a triangle as shown in the figure on the right.

7. How might we describe the height of this "triangle" relative to the circle?

8. How might we describe the length of the base of this "triangle" relative to the circle?

9. As the rings get narrower and narrower the triangular shape gets closer and closer to an exact triangle with the same area as the circle. What would this diagram suggest for the formula of the area of a circle?
**Approach #3**

A circle can be decomposed into a set of congruent sectors, as shown on the left in the following diagram. We can rearrange these sectors to approximate a parallelogram as shown in the figure on the right.

10. How might we describe the height of the “parallelogram” relative to the circle?

11. How might we describe the base of this “parallelogram” relative to the circle?

12. As we decompose the circle into more and more sectors the “parallelogram” shape gets closer and closer to an exact parallelogram with the same area as the circle. What would this diagram suggest for the formula for the area of a circle?
5.5 From Polygons to Circles – Teacher Notes

A Solidify Understanding Task

**Purpose:** The purpose of this task is to extend the work with perimeter and area of regular polygons from the previous task. In this task students use informal limit arguments to argue that the perimeter and area of inscribed regular polygons converge upon the circumference and area of the circumscribed circle as the number of sides of the polygon increases.

**Core Standards Focus:**

**G.GMD.1** Give an informal argument for the formulas for the circumference of a circle, area of a circle, volume of a cylinder, pyramid, and cone. Use dissection arguments, Cavalieri’s principle, and informal limit arguments.

**Standards for Mathematical Practice:**

**SMP 2 – Reason abstractly and quantitatively**

**The Teaching Cycle:**

**Launch (Whole Class):**

In the previous task students developed a strategy for finding the circumference and area of inscribed regular polygons. They may or may not have developed formulas for their strategy. If they did produce formulas for the circumference and area of regular inscribed polygons, compare them to the ones given in the task (see question 1 and question 4). If they did not develop such formulas, present Tehani’s formulas as given in the task. Give students time to examine these formulas and explain why they work before assigning them to work on the rest of the task.

**Explore (Small Group):**

Have students use the table features of a graphing calculator to complete the tables in questions 2 and 5. As \( n \), the number of sides increases, students should notice that the factors listed in the
tables converge on a number they should recognize as the value of $\pi$. Based on this observation, their formulas for circumference (question 3) and area (question 6) of a circle should be $C = 2\pi r$ and $A = \pi r^2$, respectively. These formulas may not be new to students, but their derivations based on an informal understanding of limits and convergence will be new.

Discuss (Whole Class):
Summarize the formulas for circumference and area of a circle based on the tables generated in questions 2 and 5. Then have students present their explanations of the alternative proofs for the area of a circle given in approach 2 and approach 3.

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REVIEW

Topic: Angles and Arcs of circles, ratios with similar shapes

Find the indicated values given the diagram and measurements provided below.

1. Given that $\angle LGH$ and $\angle GHJ$ are both $45^\circ$
   What other measurement of angles or arcs do you know?
   List them below (try to find six)

2. Given that $\triangle GKH$ has two sides that are radii of the circle.
   What type of triangle is $\triangle GKH$?
   Are there any other triangles of this type in the diagram? If so, name them.

3. Given that the $m\overarc{GH}$ is $113.2^\circ$
   What is $m\overarc{L}$? (Look back at problems 1 and 2)

4. Given $\bigcirc G$, which angles would have the same measure? List them all below and say how you know they are equal.

5. There are several triangles in the circle. List the triangles that are inscribed triangles.
   Also, list any other triangles and classify as many of the triangles as you can.

6. Given that $m\angle GFE = 70^\circ$ find all possible angle and arc measurements that you can.
Given the similar shapes below provide the desired missing sides or proportions.

7.

a. \( \frac{BD}{BC} \)
   Fill in the proportion and state how you know it is correct.

b. \( \frac{JL}{EF} = \frac{KL}{BC} \)
   Fill in the proportion and state how you know it is correct.

c. If possible, fill in the missing proportions so they are true statements. If not possible say why not.

   i) \( \frac{DE}{HJ} = \frac{?}{?} \)
   ii) \( \frac{CF}{KL} = \frac{?}{?} \)
   iii) \( \frac{GH}{?} = \frac{BD}{?} \)
   iv) \( \frac{BC}{?} = \frac{GK}{?} \)
   v) \( \frac{HJ}{BC} = \frac{?}{?} \)

**SET**

Topic: Connecting polygons with circles

8. Below you are given a circle and also several squares that are constructed so that their sides are equal to the radius of the circle. Use these squares and circle to estimate how many squares it takes to fill in the area of the circle. State what you notice. (You are welcome to use tracing paper or create cut outs.)

9. Which of the polygons below would have an area and perimeter closest to the circle it is inscribed within? Why?
10. Given that the radius of the circles in previous problem is 10 feet. Find the area of each of the regular polygons and list them in the table below along with the measure of one angle for each polygon and the side length of each polygon. (A couple are filled in for you.)

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<tr>
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<th>One interior angle</th>
<th>Length of one side</th>
<th>Area of figure</th>
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<tr>
<td>Triangle</td>
<td>60°</td>
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<tr>
<td>Square</td>
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11. Show and explain how a circle can be cut into sectors and reconfigured to appear approximately as a polygon that could have its area calculated using a standard formula.

12. Show and explain how a circle can be broken into several rings or interior circles that can be rearranged to appear approximately as a polygon that could have its area calculated using a standard formula.

GO

Topic: Finding arc length as a distance

*Just as a circle can be broken into 360 sectors as a means for finding the area of any size sector. Similarly the circumference of a circle can be broken into 360 equivalent pieces as a means for finding the distance actually traveled along any arc of the circle.*

The circumference of the circle is 6\(\pi\) inches.

So, a sector of one degree would have length of \(\frac{6\pi}{360}\) inches.

And so the area of the sector with a central angle of 80° would be \(80\) \(\frac{6\pi}{360}\) which simplifies to be \(\frac{4\pi}{3}\) inches or approximately 4.19 inches.
Look closely at the example on the previous page and then use this strategy for finding the arc length (actual distance traveled along the path of the arc) in each of the problems provided below.

13. 

14. 

15. 

16. 

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5.6 Circular Reasoning

A Practice Understanding Task

The following problems will draw upon your knowledge of similarity, circle relationships and trigonometry.

1. In the following diagram the radius of $\odot D$ is 5 cm and $F$ is the midpoint of $\overline{AE}$. Segments $\overline{GE}$ and $\overline{GA}$ are tangent to $\odot D$. The measures of arc $EB$ and arc $BC$ are given in the diagram. Find the measures of all other unmarked angles, arcs and segments.
2. In the diagram below \( \triangle ABC \) is equilateral. All circles are tangent to each other and to the sides of the equilateral triangle. The radius of the three smaller circles, \( \odot P, \odot Q \) and \( \odot R \), is 4 cm. The radius of \( \odot O \) is not given.

- Find the radius of \( \odot O \) and the length of the sides of the equilateral triangle.
5.6 Circular Reasoning – Teacher Notes

A Practice Understanding Task

**Purpose:** The purpose of this task is to review and practice theorems and formulas associated with circles. Students will also draw upon ideas of similarity as well as right triangle trigonometry relationships to find the lengths of line segments. \(30^\circ-60^\circ-90^\circ\) triangles appear frequently in this task, so there is an opportunity to emphasize the relationships between the sides and how one can find the exact values of the lengths of the sides in this special right triangle.

**Core Standards Focus:**

G.C.2 Identify and describe relationships among inscribed angles, radii, and chords. Include the relationship between central, inscribed, and circumscribed angles; inscribed angles on a diameter are right angles; the radius of a circle is perpendicular to the tangent where the radius intersects the circle.

**Related Standards:** G.C.3

**Standards for Mathematical Practice:**

SMP 1 – Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them
SMP 7 – Look for and make use of structure

**The Teaching Cycle:**

**Launch (Whole Class):**

If students are not already familiar with the relationships between the sides of a \(30^\circ-60^\circ-90^\circ\) triangle, introduce this topic by drawing an equilateral triangle and decomposing it into two \(30^\circ-60^\circ-90^\circ\) triangles by drawing an altitude of the equilateral triangle. Note that the altitude intersects the opposite side at its midpoint, and therefore, the short leg of a \(30^\circ-60^\circ-90^\circ\) triangle is half the
length of the hypotenuse. Use the Pythagorean theorem to show that the length of the long leg of a 30°-60°-90° triangle is \( \sqrt{3} \) times the length of the short leg. Suggest that students look for 30°-60°-90° triangles in the given diagrams, and that they label the lengths of the sides of these triangles with exact values. They should also look for other right triangles in the figures whose side lengths can be found using trigonometry. What can they learn from the angles in the diagram and where they are located relative to the circle and the intercepted arcs?

**Explore (Small Group):**

Encourage students to begin their work on figure #1 by finding the measures of all of the missing angles before working on finding the lengths of line segments. This will identify the right triangles in the diagram.

**Hints for figure #1**

Students will need to draw upon such theorems as:

- Angles inscribed in a semicircle are right angles.
- The perpendicular bisector of a chord passes through the center of the circle.
- All radii of a circle are congruent.
- The measure of an inscribed angle is half the measure of the intercepted arc.
- A circumscribed angle and the central angle that intercepts the same arc are supplementary.

Students will also need to use trigonometric relationships to find missing sides of right triangles.

Let students surface as many ideas as they can about figure #2 before giving them any hints. At some point you may want to move to a whole class discussion to make a list of what students know with certainty about the diagram, what they assume might be true but aren’t sure how to convince themselves that their assumptions are correct, and what else they still need to figure out. Move back and forth between discussing hints as a whole class and allowing students to continue exploring figure #2 in small groups using the hints.
Hints for figure #2

- Since this is an equilateral triangle, the altitudes, medians, angle bisectors and perpendicular bisectors of the sides are all the same lines. Therefore, the center of the inscribed circle O lies on the angle bisectors (recall that the incenter of a triangle is the point of concurrency of the angle bisectors) as well as on the perpendicular bisectors of the sides. Therefore, circle O is tangent to the sides of the equilateral triangle at the midpoints of the sides.

- It is helpful to draw some auxiliary line segments in this diagram. For example, if we name the midpoint of segment BC as point M, then adding segments OM and OA forms a 30°-60°-90° right triangle.

- We can convince ourselves that point R lies on segment OC by drawing a line through the point of tangency of circles O and R parallel to side AB. This parallel line forms a smaller equilateral triangle with circle R inscribed. The center of circle R lies on the same angle bisector as the center of circle O.

- There is a dilation, centered at C, that will carry point R onto point O (and therefore, carry the smaller equilateral triangle described in the previous paragraph onto the larger equilateral triangle). Can we find the scale factor of this dilation?

- The adjacent diagram illustrates that the center of the circle inscribed in an equilateral triangle is 2/3 of the distance along the altitude from each vertex of the triangle. For example, point D, the center of the inscribed circle in the diagram is 2/3 of distance AF from vertex A. This can be shown by drawing radius DE to the midpoint of side AG, and also drawing segment DG to form three congruent 30°-60°-90° triangles, as shown. If the figure is folded along line DG, segment ED—the short leg of right triangle DEG—gets superimposed onto segment DF. If the figure is folded along line ED, segment GD—the hypotenuse of right triangle DEG—gets superimposed onto segment AD. Therefore, the ratio of AD to DF is 2:1, the same as the ratio of the length of the hypotenuse to the length of the short leg of a 30°-60°-90° triangle. Therefore, distance AD is 2/3 of the length of the altitude AF.
Discuss (Whole Class):
Figure #1 should not need any whole group discussion. Instead, give individuals and small groups hints to support their progress on figure #1.

Move back and forth between small group exploration and whole group discussion on figure #2. As suggested in the explore, an initial whole group discussion might focus on making a list of what students know with certainty about the diagram, what they assume might be true but aren’t sure how to convince themselves that their assumptions are correct, and what else they still need to figure out. Give students a hint, and then let them return to their exploration. One important hint comes from adding an auxiliary line parallel to one side of the equilateral triangle through the point of tangency of a little circle and the big circle. This forms a smaller equilateral triangle with its inscribed circle—a scaled down version of the original problem. Working on the scaled down problem allows students to focus on the single inscribed circle of an equilateral triangle, without the three additional circles getting in the way of their thinking. Suggest that they look for ways to decompose the equilateral triangle into $30^\circ$-$60^\circ$-$90^\circ$ triangles.

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READY, SET, GO!  

READY

Topic: Measurement conversion and scaling

Many times items we are interested in measuring or keeping track of in some way are tracked in a unit of measure that we need to change.

Below you will find several measurements, convert them all to the units of feet.  
(1 foot = 12 inches, 1 yard = 3 feet, 1 mile = 5280 feet)

1. 50 inches  
2. 2.5 yards  
3. 133 inches  
4. 7 yards  
5. 2 miles  
6. 8 inches

The equation $C = \frac{5}{9} (F - 32)$ will convert temperatures measured in Fahrenheit to the unit of Celsius measurement.

Use this equation to convert the given temperatures.

7. 50°F  
8. 98°F  
9. 32°F  
10. 20°C  
11. 85°C  
12. 42°C

SET

Topic: Arc Length, Arc Measure, Central and Inscribed Angles

Use the figure below and the givens to find all angle measures and arc measures possible.

13.  

14. $\odot F \cong \odot K$ and $\angle FH \cong \angle KH$

$\measuredangle JFH = 80^\circ$

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15. In the figure below. Given that $\triangle JKL$ is an equilateral triangle. List all of the angle and arc measurements that you will know for sure as a result of this given item.

16. In the figure above. Given that $\triangle JKL$ is an equilateral triangle and each side is 5 units of length. List all of the segment and arc length measurements that you will know for sure as a result of this given information.

**GO**

Topic: Area and distance for composed figures

**Find the area and perimeter for each of the figures below.**

17. 

18.
5.7 Pied!

A Develop Understanding Task

Students have planned several activities to celebrate Pi Day at their school. In addition to pie eating contests and “pie-ing” their favorite teachers, the Math Club plans to make money by selling slices of pie during lunch hour. Each member of the club has contributed a couple of homemade pies for the sale. Unfortunately, the members chose a variety of sizes and shapes of pans to bake their pies in. Some students used 9-inch round pans for their pies, others used 8-inch round pans, a few used 8 by 8 inch square pans, and one student used a 9 by 13 inch cake pan for his pie. Now the club members have the dilemma of how to slice the pies so each slice is about the same amount, since they plan to charge the same amount for each slice of pie regardless of the pan it came from.

After much debate, the club members have decided to slice the 8-inch round pies into 5 equal slices (or sectors as the math geeks call them), the 9-inch round pies into 6 equal slices, the 8 by 8 inch pies into 2 by 4 inch rectangles, and the 9 by 13 inch pie into 3 by 3 ¼ inch rectangles.

Although the pieces look like they are all about the same size, some students think there might be a price advantage in buying one type of slice over another.

1. Which slice of pie is the largest and which is the smallest? How did you decide?

Unfortunately, not everyone in the math club is good at eye-balling equal size sectors when cutting round pies. Therefore, one of the students is assigned to be in charge of “quality control”. He is given a protractor and is told to reject any slices of pie that are more or less that 4° from the exact angle measurement.
2. Using this criteria, what is the smallest and largest amount of pie you might get in a slice of pie taken from the 8-inch pan?

3. Using this criteria, what is the smallest and largest amount of pie you might get in a slice of pie taken from the 9-inch pan?

The student in charge of quality control finds it is too difficult to measure the angle of a sector of pie in degrees, and suggest that they cut a piece of string that could be used to measure around the outer edge of the pie to let the servers know where to make the next cut.

4. How long should this string be to measure the arc of a slice of pie for the 8-inch round pies?

5. How long should this string be to measure the arc of a slice of pie for the 9-inch round pies?
Wendell really likes pie and has offered to pay double the price for a slice of pie that is guaranteed to contain at least 15 in\(^2\) of pie.

6. What is the degree measure of the smallest sector of the 8-inch round pie that will satisfy Wendell’s cravings?

7. How long should the string be to measure the outer arc of this sector?

8. What is the degree measure of the smallest sector of the 9-inch round pie that will satisfy Wendell’s cravings?

9. How long should the string be to measure the outer arc of this sector?

10. A sector of the 9-inch round pie measures \(n^\circ\). What is its area? What is its arc length?
5.7 Pied! – Teacher Notes

A Develop Understanding Task

Purpose: In this task students use proportional reasoning to calculate arc length and the area of a sector relative to the circumference and area of the circle. The work of this task lays a foundation for the work of the next task in which proportionality relationships between arc length and radius are used to define radian measurement.

Core Standards Focus:

G.C.5 Derive using similarity the fact that the length of the arc intercepted by an angle is proportional to the radius, and define the radian measure of the angle as the constant of proportionality; derive the formula for the area of a sector.

Geometry Note for G.C.5: Emphasize the similarity of all circles. Note that by similarity of sectors with the same central angle, arc lengths are proportional to the radius. Use this as a basis for introducing radian as a unit of measure. It is not intended that it be applied to the development of circular trigonometry in this course.

Standards for Mathematical Practice:

SMP 6 – Attend to precision
SMP 7 – Look for and make use of structure
SMP 8 – Look for express regularity in repeated reasoning

The Teaching Cycle:

Launch (Whole Class):
Read through the story context of this task with your students to surface the key ideas of the mathematics of this task—which is to find ways to calculate portions of the area of a circle (the portions that we refer to as sectors), and portions of the circumference. Once students are aware of
the purpose of the task, set them to work on the questions that the members of the math club are trying to answer.

**Explore (Small Group):**
Watch for students who recognize that they can calculate arc lengths and areas of sectors by multiplying the circumference or area of the circle by a fraction. Initially these fractions are given (e.g., \( \frac{1}{5} \) of the pie). As the task progresses, students will have to determine these fractions by considering the number of degrees in the portion relative to the number of degrees in the whole circle, 360°. Listen for students making sense of the situation by saying things such as, “4° more than \( \frac{1}{5} \) of a circle is 76° since \( \frac{1}{5} \) of a circle is 72°. We need to find \( \frac{76}{360} \) of the area of a pie with a diameter of 8 inches.”

**Discuss (Whole Class):**
It is not necessary to discuss all of the questions in the task, but it may be helpful to discuss one question of each type, such as question 3 (area of a sector), question 5 (arc length), and question 9 (arc length for a given area of a sector).

Discuss question 10 for a 9-inch pie, and then generalize for a pie whose radius is \( r \) inches. Students should be able to summarize the work of this task with formulas for the arc length and area of a sector for a circle of radius \( r \) and a central angle of \( n \)° as follows:

\[
\text{Arc length} = \frac{n}{360} \cdot 2\pi r
\]

\[
\text{Area of sector} = \frac{n}{360} \cdot \pi r^2
\]

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READY

Topic: Circumference, ratios

1. There are four circles below each with a different radius. Determine the circumference and area of each and look for any patterns. What do you notice?

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<tr>
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<th>Circumference</th>
<th>Area</th>
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</table>

A ratio is a comparison between two quantities. Trigonometric ratios of sine, cosine and tangent are ratios between sides in a right triangle. We can make ratios between many different quantities.

Write ratios for the indicated quantities below.

2. The ratio of boys to girls in our math class.

3. The ratio of girls to boys in your family.

4. The ratio bathrooms to bedrooms in your house.

5. The ratio of televisions to people that live in your house.

6. The ratio of people in your house to cell phones in your house.

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SET

Topic: Circumference and area of circles and sectors of circles

Use the given information to determine the desired item.

7. The area of the circle is $25\pi$ cm$^2$.
   What is the circumference of the circle?

8. The circumference of the circle is $10\pi$ feet.
   What is the area of the circle?

9. The area of the small sector is $20\pi$ ft$^2$.
   What is the radius of the circle?

10. The arc length of arc AC measures $16\pi$ cm.
    What is the area of the circle?

11. The arc length of arc DF measures 30 m.
    What is the area of the circle?

12. The area of the small sector is $\pi$ in$^2$.
    What is the circumference of the circle?
GO

Topic: Finding area and decomposing area

Find the area of the darkest shaded region in each figure below.

13. 

14. 

15. 

16. 

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5.8 Madison’s Round Garden

A Practice and Develop Understanding Task

Last year Madison won the city’s “Most Outstanding Garden” Award for her square garden. This year she plans to top that with her design for a beautiful round garden.

Madison’s design starts with a sprinkler in the center, and concentric rings of colorful flowers surrounding the central sprinkler. Pavers will create both circular pathways and pathways that look like spokes on a wheel between the flowers. The sprinkler can be adjusted so it waters just the inner circle of flowers, or it can be adjusted so it waters the entire round garden. Consequently, flowers that need to be watered more frequently will be placed near the center of the garden, and those that need the least amount of water will be placed farthest from the center. The sectors of the garden will not all be the same size, since they need to accommodate different types of plants.

Here is Madison’s design for her garden. The number of degrees in each sector has been marked.
1. Madison has only marked the degree measure on the arcs of the outermost ring of the garden. Determine the angle measure for the arcs on the inner and middle rings of the garden.

2. Madison needs to order pavers for the garden. She plans to vary the size and colors of the pavers in different parts of the garden. Consequently, she needs to know the lengths of different portions of the paths. Help her complete this table by calculating the missing arc lengths.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Distance from Center</th>
<th>Arc Length</th>
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<td></td>
<td>40° Sector</td>
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<tr>
<td>Inner Circle of Pavers</td>
<td>10 feet</td>
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<tr>
<td>Middle Circle of Pavers</td>
<td>20 feet</td>
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<tr>
<td>Outer Circle of Pavers</td>
<td>30 feet</td>
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</table>

3. As Madison filled out the table she began to notice some interesting things. What did you notice?

4. One thing Madison noticed involved the ratio of the arc length to the radius of the circle. Complete this version of the table and state what you think Madison noticed.

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<tr>
<th>Distance from Center</th>
<th>Arc length / Radius</th>
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<td>40° Sector</td>
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<td>Inner Circle of Pavers</td>
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As Madison examined these numbers, she realized that they behave the same way that degree measurements behave—all arcs in the same sector have the same degree measurement, and all arcs in the same sector have the same value for the ratio of arc length to radius. This made her wonder if these new numbers could be used as a way of measuring angles just as degrees are used.

Later that evening Madison shared her discovery with her older sister Katelyn who is taking calculus at a local university. Katelyn told Madison that her new numbers for measuring angles in terms of the ratio of the arc length to the radius are known as radians and that they make the rules of calculus much easier than if angles are measured in degrees.

Madison learned so much from examining the arc length of the sectors of her garden that she decided to examine the areas of the sectors also.

5. Complete this table for Madison by calculating the areas of the sectors for the different rings of the garden.

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<tr>
<th>Distance from Center</th>
<th>Area of Sector</th>
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<td>40° Sector</td>
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<td>Outer Circle of Pavers</td>
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<tr>
<td>Extended Circle of Pavers</td>
<td>40 feet</td>
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</tbody>
</table>

6. Do you notice anything interesting in this table?
5.8 Madison’s Round Garden – Teacher Notes

A Practice and Develop Understanding Task

**Purpose:** Using the formulas for arc length and area of a sector developed in the previous task, in this task students use proportional reasoning to calculate the ratio of arc length to radius to define a constant of proportionality for any given angle intercepting arcs of concentric circles. This constant provides an alternative way of measuring the angle: radians.

**Core Standards Focus:**

**G.C.5** Derive using similarity the fact that the length of the arc intercepted by an angle is proportional to the radius, and define the radian measure of the angle as the constant of proportionality; derive the formula for the area of a sector.

**Geometry Note for G.C.5:** Emphasize the similarity of all circles. Note that by similarity of sectors with the same central angle, arc lengths are proportional to the radius. Use this as a basis for introducing radian as a unit of measure. It is not intended that it be applied to the development of circular trigonometry in this course.

**Standards for Mathematical Practice:**

**SMP 8 – Look for express regularity in repeated reasoning**

**The Teaching Cycle:**

**Launch (Whole Class):**

Read through the story context with students, and then ask them to complete question 1. This is not intended to be a trick question—although it is an easy one to respond to. The goal of this question is to remind students that the measure of an angle remains the same no matter how far from the vertex point we measure it. This idea is important in supporting Madison’s observation and claim later in the task. Point out that the work of filling out the tables for arc length and areas of sectors is the same as the work students did in the previous task, *Pied*. Students may use the formulas or strategies they developed in that task to complete these tables.
Explore (Small Group):
While student may use technology to compute the values in the tables, encourage them to record the notation that describes what they are calculating so patterns become more evident. For example, when calculating the ratio of the arc length to radius, the radius of the circle divides out.

Discuss (Whole Class):
The discussion should focus on why the ratio of arc length to radius is always the same value for the same central angle, $n^\circ$, and why Madison thinks these values could be used as reasonable angle measurements. To see why the ratio is constant, examine the notation for a calculating the ratio in general:

$$\frac{\text{arc length}}{\text{radius}} = \frac{n^\circ \cdot 2\pi r}{360} = \frac{2\pi}{360} \cdot n^\circ.$$ 

It becomes apparent that this ratio is just a constant multiple of the degree measurement, $n^\circ$.

Have students label each arc in each sector with these ratio values. As in question 1, each arc within a sector gets labeled with the same number. These ratio values behave in the same way as degree angle measurements. Help students articulate the key idea to emerge from this task:

Multiplying an angle measured in degrees by $\frac{2\pi}{360}$, or $\frac{\pi}{180}$, converts the angle measurement into this new radian measurement for the angle.

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READY

Topic: Finding volume and surface area

Find the volume and surface area for the 3-dimensional shapes below.

1.

a. Volume =

b. Surface Area =

3.

a. Volume =

b. Surface Area =

SET

Topic: Radians

4. Below are circles of radius 1, 2, 3, and 4 units. Each of them has a diameter drawn that cuts them into two equal sectors. Find the arc length of one half of each of these circles. Then find the radian measure of the arc length for each one.

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<tr>
<th>Radius</th>
<th>Length of arc for half the circle</th>
<th>Radian measure of half the circle</th>
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Find the length of the arcs on this half.

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5. There are three circles below each with a different radius. The same size angle 45° has been used to create a sector in each circle. Fill in the table with the length of the arc measure for the sector, the radian measure and the area of the sector.

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<tr>
<th>Radius</th>
<th>Length of arc</th>
<th>Radians</th>
<th>Area of sector</th>
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6. Use the three circles in problem 5 to find the following ratios.
   
a. \( \overparen{EF} \) to \( \overparen{BC} \)  
b. \( \overparen{BC} \) to \( \overparen{JK} \)  
c. \( \overparen{EF} \) to \( \overparen{JK} \)  

d. What do you notice about the ratios between the arc lengths?

7. Considering \( \overparen{EF} \) above in problem 5. (a) How many copies of this arc would be needed to be equal to the length of the entire circumference of circle D? (b) Would this be true for the other arcs and circles in the problem above? Why?
GO

Consider the sectors and arc lengths in the two circles below to answer the questions.

8. Find the arc length of arc GH.

9. Find the arc length of arc RX.

10. Find the area of the small sector in circle F.

11. Find the area of the small sector in circle T.

12. The Radian measure of the 135° sector in each circle.

13a. What is the ratio of arc GH to arc RX?

   b. What is the ratio of the areas of the two sectors?
5.9 Rays and Radians

A Solidify and Practice Understanding Task

In the previous task, Madison’s Round Garden, Madison found a new way to measure angles. Apparently Madison was not the first person to have this idea of measuring an angle in terms of arc length, but once she was aware of it she decided to examine it further.

Here are some of Madison’s questions. See if you can answer them.

1. Since a $40^\circ$ angle measures 0.698 radians (to the nearest thousandth), a $50^\circ$ angle measures 0.873 radians, and a $60^\circ$ angle measures 1.047 radians, what angle, measured in degrees, measures 1.000 radian?

2. A circle measures $360^\circ$. How many radians is that?

3. The formula Madison has been using to calculate radian measurement for an angle that measures $n^\circ$ on a circle of radius $r$ is

$$\frac{n^\circ}{360^\circ} \times \frac{2\pi r}{r} = x \text{ radians.}$$

Is there a simpler formula for converting degree measurement to radian measurement?

4. What formula might you use to convert radian measurement back to degrees?
Madison is so excited about radian measurement she decides to learn more about it by going online. At http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Radian she finds this statement: An arc of a circle with the same length as the radius of that circle corresponds to an angle of 1 radian. A full circle corresponds to an angle of $2\pi$ radians.

5. Why is the first sentence in this statement true?

6. Why is the second sentence in this statement true?

Madison finds this idea of writing radian measurement in terms of $\pi$ appealing. Since a circle measures $2\pi$ radians, she reasons that half of a circle, 180°, would measure $\pi$ radians; and that a quarter of a turn, a right angle, would measure $\frac{\pi}{2}$ radians. Suddenly Madison realizes that while she has been deep in thought thinking about this new idea, she has been fiddling with her protractor. Now her attention focuses on this tool for measuring angles.

Like Madison, you have probably used a protractor to measure angles. A protractor is usually marked to measure angles in degrees. Madison decides she would like to create a protractor to measure angles in radians.
7. Label the following protractor in radians, using fractions involving \( \pi \). You should label every 10° from 0° to 180°. For example, rays passing through the 0° and 40° angle mark would form an angle measuring \( \frac{2}{9}\pi \) (or \( \frac{2\pi}{9} \)) radians, so we would label the tic mark at 40° as \( \frac{2\pi}{9} \).
5.9 Rays and Radians – Teacher Notes

A Solidify and Practice Understanding Task

**Note to teachers:** Be aware that you probably think about radians differently than your students will as they begin this task. Your definition of radians probably depends on an understanding of the unit circle, and perhaps a memorized set of radian measurements associated with standard angles such as 30° or 120°. Your students understand radians as a ratio of arc length to radius on any circle. In this task students observe that an angle that measures 1 radian on a circle has an arc length equal to the radius of the circle. They notice that a full revolution measures a bit more than 6 radians. For the first part of this task they will give decimal approximations for radian measure. Towards the end they will use fractions of π to measure angles in radians. Allow these ideas to evolve naturally without imposing your thinking on students. Students will use radian measurement in their study of circular trigonometric functions in Algebra II.

**Purpose:** In this task students continue to examine and practice ideas and procedures associated with radians. Students observe that the circumference of a circle measures 2π radians, and use this fact to name many standard angles as fractions of π. They also create and use a conversion factor, π/180°, to convert degree measurements to radians.

**Core Standards Focus:**

**G.C.5** Derive using similarity the fact that the length of the arc intercepted by an angle is proportional to the radius, and define the radian measure of the angle as the constant of proportionality; derive the formula for the area of a sector.

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Standards for Mathematical Practice:

SMP 6 – Attend to precision

SMP 8 – Look for express regularity in repeated reasoning

The Teaching Cycle:

Launch (Whole Class):
The decimal approximations for the radian measurements of 40°, 50° and 60° came from the previous task, so remind students that they have already calculated these values. Have students predict the degree measurement that they think is approximately equal to 1.000 radian, and then set them to work to calculate this value and to respond to the rest of the questions in the task.

Explore (Small Group):
Observe how students calculate the degree measurement for 1.000 radian. Do they guess and check using their formulas from the previous tasks, or do they use a conversion factor for converting between radians and degrees? Do not press for this too soon, but by question 4 they should be recognizing that they can covert degrees to radians by multiplying by \( \frac{\pi}{180^\circ} \), and from radians to degrees by multiplying by \( \frac{180^\circ}{\pi} \).

The last half of the task looks at how many radians there are in a full revolution of 360°. You might have students experiment with laying out string the length of the radii around a circle, or alternatively, cutting a piece of string the length of the circumference and marking off unit lengths equal to the radius along this length of string. Students should notice that it takes a bit more than 6 radii to measure the distance around the circle. (If students are surprised that the radius does not divide the circumference evenly, remind them of the discussion about incommensurate units from task 3.9, *My Irrational and Imaginary Friends*. Remind students that the circumference and radius of a circle cannot both be rational numbers since their ratio is \( \pi \), an irrational number.)
Encourage students to write appropriately reduced fractions for the radian measurements on the protractor.

**Discuss (Whole Class):**

Begin the whole class discussion by asking students to explain why there are $2\pi$ radians in a full circle. (Remind students that we are measuring the angle or amount of turn in a full revolution, not the distance around the circle.) Ask how many radians there are in a circle with three times the radius. Help students articulate that the radian measurement of a circle is $2\pi$ regardless of the size of the circle, since we are finding the angle measurement, not the circumference.

Have students share their radian computations for different angle measurements on the protractor. Have students reduce their fractions if they have not already done so, but also look at some of the “counting patterns” around the protractor when fractions are not fully reduced, such as:

- Every $30^\circ$: $\frac{\pi}{6}$, $\frac{2\pi}{6}$, $\frac{3\pi}{6}$, $\frac{4\pi}{6}$, $\frac{5\pi}{6}$, $\frac{6\pi}{6}$; or every $45^\circ$: $\frac{\pi}{4}$, $\frac{2\pi}{4}$, $\frac{3\pi}{4}$, $\frac{4\pi}{4}$. Also examine some of the equivalent names for $90^\circ$: $\frac{3\pi}{6} = \frac{2\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$ and $180^\circ$: $\frac{6\pi}{6} = \frac{4\pi}{4} = \pi$.

**Aligned Ready, Set, Go: Circles: A Geometric Perspective 5.9**
READY
Topic: Angles, arc and areas

Use the given information to find the desired values.

1. Given \( \bigodot B \) and marked angle measure. Find \( m\angle ADC \) and find the measure of \( \overline{AC} \)

2. Given \( \bigodot D \) with marked radius. Find the measure of \( \overline{FH} \) and find \( m\overline{EF} \).

3. Given \( \bigodot K \) and marked angle measure. Find the measure of arc \( \overline{KL} \). Find the radian measure that goes with the angle of 125°.

4. Given \( \bigodot K \) and marked angle measure. Find the area of the small sector. Find the arc length.
SET
Topic: Converting between radians and degrees.

Convert each angle measure to radians or degrees based on what is given.

5. \(100^\circ = \text{Radians}\)
6. \(30^\circ = \text{Radians}\)
7. \(225^\circ = \text{Radians}\)

8. \(\frac{\pi}{3}\text{ Radians} = \text{Degrees}\)
9. \(5\pi\text{ Radians} = \text{Degrees}\)
10. \(\frac{5\pi}{4}\text{ Radians} = \text{Degrees}\)

11. \(270^\circ = \text{Radians}\)
12. \(90^\circ = \text{Radians}\)
13. \(150^\circ = \text{Radians}\)

GO
Topic: Finding Centers of Rotation

Given the two figures below find the center of rotation that was used. Then use a compass to draw the concentric circles on which the vertex points of the triangle lie.

14. 

15. 

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5.10 Sand Castles

A Solidify Understanding Task

Benji, Chau and Kassandra plan to enter a sand castle building contest being sponsored by a local radio station. The winning team gets a private beach party at a local resort for all of their friends. To be selected for the competition, the team has to submit a drawing of their castle and verification that the design fits within the rules.

The three friends actually plan to build three identical castles, each one twice as big as the previous one. They hope that replicating the same design three times—while paying attention to the tiniest little details—will impress the judges with their creativity and sand sculpting skill.

Benji is puzzling over a couple of questions on the application. They sound like math questions, and he wants Chau and Kassandra to make sure that he answers them correctly.

Please provide the following information about your sand sculpture:

- What is the total area of the footprint of your planned sand sculpture?
  [This information will allow the planning committee to locate sand sculptures so the viewing public will have easy access to all sculptures. Remember that the total area occupied by your sculpture cannot exceed 50 sq. ft.]

- What is the total volume of sand required to build your sand sculpture?
  [We will provide clean, sifted sand for each team so we will not be liable for any debris or harmful substances that can be present in beach sand.]

I certify that the above information is correct.

Signature of team leader: ____________________________     date: ________________

The friends have only designed one of the castles, since the others will be scaled up versions of this one, each one being “twice as big”.

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After studying the diagram Benji said, “I calculated the area of the footprint of the smallest castle to be 2.5 sq. ft., so the next one will occupy 5 sq. ft., and the largest 10 sq. ft. That’s a total of 17.5 sq. ft. Well within the limits.”

1. What do you think of Benji’s comment? Design a couple of possible “footprints” for a sand castle that will occupy 2.5 square units of area. Then scale each design up so it is “twice as big”, and calculate the area. What do you notice?

2. Imagine stacking cubes on your sand castle “footprints” to create a simple 3-D sculpture. Then scale up each design so it is “twice as big” and calculate the volume. What do you notice?

3. How did you interpret the phrase “twice as big” in your work on questions 1 and 2? Is your interpretation the same as Benji’s?

4. To avoid confusion, it would be more appropriate for Benji and his friends to say they are going to “scale up” their initial sand castle by a factor of 2. If the “footprint” of a sand castle occupies 2.5 sq. ft., is it possible to calculate the area occupied by a sand castle that has been enlarged by a scale factor of 2, or is the area of the enlarged shape dependent upon the shape of the original figure? That is, do triangles, parallelograms, pentagons, etc. all scale up in the same way? Write a convincing argument explaining why or why not?

5. What happens to the perimeter of the “footprint” of your sand castle when it is scaled-up by a factor of 2?
6. Suppose your sand castle "footprint" was cut out of a piece of Styrofoam that is one-inch thick. What happens to the volume when this “3-D footprint” is scaled up by a factor of 2?

7. The plans for the smallest sand castle include a rectangular prism that is 5 inches high and has a square base with a side length of 2 inches.
   
   a. What is the volume of sand required to make this prism in the smallest sand castle?

   b. What is the volume of sand required to make this prism in the middle-sized sand castle?

   c. What is the volume of sand required to make this prism in the largest sand castle?

   d. What is the perimeter of each of the squares that form the bases of each of the three different prisms in each of the three different sand castles?

   e. What is the total surface area of each of the rectangular prisms to be used in constructing each of the three sand castles? (This information is needed to construct nets for the molds that will be used to create the prisms.)
8. Chau and Kassandra’s plans for the smallest sand castle includes columns in the shape of cylinders with the base being a circle with a radius of 1 inch. The height of the column is 12 inches.

   a. What is the volume of sand required to make each of these columns in the smallest sand castle?

   b. What is the volume of sand required to make this column in the middle-sized sand castle?

   c. What is the volume of sand required to make this column in the largest sand castle?

   d. What is the circumference of each of the circles that form the circular bases of each of the three different columns in the three different sand castles?

   e. What is the total surface area of the cylinders—including the two circular bases and the rectangle that wraps around to forms the cylinder—in each of the three sand castles? (This information is needed to construct the molds in which wet sand will be poured to create the columns.)
5.10 Sand Castles – Teacher Notes

A Solidify Understanding Task

Purpose: The purpose of this task is to deepen students understanding of the volume formulas for rectangular prisms and right circular cylinders, and to examine the proportionality relationships of lengths, areas, and volumes when geometric figures are scaled up. Students have used these formulas in previous math courses as computational tools. In the next task, Footprints in the Sand, they will consider how these formulas are related to more general formulas for prisms whose bases are not rectangles, as well as to the formulas for pyramids and cones.

Core Standards Focus:

G.GMD.1 Give an informal argument for the formulas for the circumference of a circle, area of a circle, volume of a cylinder, pyramid, and cone. Use dissection arguments, Cavalieri's principle, and informal limit arguments.

G.GMD.3 Use volume formulas for cylinders, pyramids, cones, and spheres to solve problems.★

Note for Geometry: Informal arguments for area and volume formulas can make use of the way in which area and volume scale under similarity transformations: when one figure in the plane results from another by applying a similarity transformation with scale factor k, its area is $k^2$ times the area of the first. Similarly, volumes of solid figures scale by $k^3$ under a similarity transformation with scale factor k.

Standards for Mathematical Practice:

SMP 7 – Look for and make use of structure

SMP 8 – Look for express regularity in repeated reasoning
The Teaching Cycle:

Launch (Whole Class):
Introduce the context of this task by reading the first few paragraphs, including the application for the sand castle building competition. Remind students that they have previously used formulas for finding perimeters and areas of regular polygons and circles, and (in other math courses) formulas for finding volumes of prisms, pyramids, cylinders and cones. Point out questions 7 and 8 where they will be asked to use these formulas to solve some problems relative to the sand castle context. Point out the “scaling up” idea that is present in these questions and then return to the paragraphs following the application and read through Benji’s comment and question 1 of the task. Then set students to work on 1-8.

Explore (Small Group):
Watch for students who interpret “twice as big” in the same way Benji did (double the area), as well as students who interpret it as doubling the linear dimensions of the figure. Allow both perspectives to coexist until question 4, when all students should be working from the “scale factor” perspective of doubling all of the linear dimensions. Groups of students should have at least two different “footprints” of their own design to experiment with as they consider these questions. Watch for unusual designs (e.g., non-rectangular). You may want to prompt some groups to try something unusual, like a triangle with an area of 2.5 sq. in., or an L-shaped figure, or something else. Listen for arguments that indicate whether or not students understand that the design of the base doesn’t matter in calculating the area of the scaled up figure, since linear dimensions will all get doubled as the figure gets scaled up.

For questions 7 and 8, watch for two potentially different strategies to emerge: (1) doubling the dimensions of the prism or cylinder, and then recalculating the perimeter or circumference of the base, the area of the faces, and the volume of the solid; or (2) using a scale factor of 2 for the dimensions of the prism or cylinder, a scale factor of 4 for the area of the faces, and a scale factor of 8 for the volume of the solid.
Discuss (Whole Class):

The whole class discussion should focus on the way area and volume scale under similarity transformations: when one figure in the plane results from another by applying a similarity transformation with scale factor $k$, its area is $k^2$ times the area of the first. Similarly, volumes of solid figures scale by $k^3$ under a similarity transformation with scale factor $k$. Emphasize the idea of “scaling up” as a similarity transformation. Use student work on questions 4-6 to highlight this concept. Then use student work from questions 7 and 8 to illustrate the two possible strategies described in the explore: doubling the dimensions then recalculating, or using an appropriate scale factor for area or volume. Have students identify how the scale factors for area and volume show up in a calculation where the dimensions have been doubled.

Be sure to ask a question similar to the exit ticket below to verify that students are correctly seeing the exponential growth of the scale factors when the dimensions are not just doubling.

Aligned Ready, Set, Go: Circles: A Geometric Perspective 5.10
READY
Topic: Finding the center of a circle.

Locate the center of each circle below. (Hint: Use chords of the circle to pinpoint the center.)

1.  

2.  

3. Justify your work for finding the center of the circles above. Why does it work? Why does it pinpoint the center of the circle?

4. In circle 1, draw a central angle and an inscribed angle that cuts the same arc as the central angle. What is the relationship between the measure of a central angle and its corresponding inscribed angle?

5. In circle 2, draw a central angle and a circumscribed angle that cuts the same arc as the central angle. What is the relationship between the measure of a central angle and its corresponding circumscribed angle?

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SET

Topic: Finding surface area and volume of cylinders and rectangular prisms.

Find the surface area and volume of each rectangular prism.

6. 

7. A prism similar to the one on the left that has been enlarged by a factor of 4.

8. 

9. A prism similar to the one on the left that has been enlarged by a factor of 3.
Find the surface area and volume of each cylinder.

10. A cylinder with a radius of 3 ft and height of 8 ft.

11. A cylinder similar to the one on the left that has been enlarged by a factor of 2.

12. A cylinder with a radius of 12 cm and height of 20 cm.

13. A cylinder similar to the one on the left that has been reduced by a factor of ½.
GO

Topic: Finding Centers of Rotation

Find the measure that is missing, either degrees or radians given the other measure.

14. $120^\circ = \text{Radians}$  
15. $270^\circ = \text{Radians}$  
16. $210^\circ = \text{Radians}$
17. $\frac{3\pi}{4} \text{ Radians} = \text{Degrees}$  
18. $4.7 \text{ Radians} = \text{Degrees}$  
19. $\frac{\pi}{6} \text{ Radians} = \text{Degrees}$
20. $300^\circ = \text{Radians}$  
21. $180^\circ = \text{Radians}$  
22. $360^\circ = \text{Radians}$

Find the area of each sector.

23.

24.

Find the measure of the length of each arc indicated below.

25.

26.
5.11 Footprints in the Sand

**A Solidify Understanding Task**

Benji, Chau and Kassandra are discussing the various three-dimensional shapes they plan to include in their sand castles. They are wondering how to calculate the volume of some of the shapes they want to include. Chau wants to include prisms with equilateral triangular bases and Kassandra wants to include prisms with regular hexagonal bases. Benji only knows that the formula for a rectangular prism is \( L \times W \times H \), and so he is trying to figure out how the shape of the base affects the volume of the prism.

Benji has heard his father, who is an architect, talk about the footprint of a building, which refers to the shape and area that a building will occupy on a plot of land. Benji likes the term, and wonders if thinking about the footprint of the prisms Chau and Kassandra want to include in the sand castles will help him figure out their volumes.

Chau wants to include a triangular prism with bases that are equilateral triangles, 2 inches on a side and 10 inches tall. Benji is examining the footprint of Chau’s prism, inscribed in a rectangle.

1. Develop a strategy for finding the volume of Chau’s prism using this drawing that Benji created to help him visualize the footprint of Chau’s triangular prism.
Kassandra wants to include a hexagonal prism with bases that are regular hexagons, 2 inches on a side, and the prism is 10 inches tall. Benji is examining the footprint of Kassandra’s prism, inscribed in a circle.

2. Develop a strategy for finding the volume of Kassandra’s prism, using this drawing that Benji created to help him visualize the footprint of Kassandra’s hexagonal prism.

3. Describe a general procedure for finding the volume of a prism when you are given a description and dimensions of the bases of the prism.

Benji has described his strategy for finding the volume of any prism to Chau and Kassandra. They are both excited by his findings, but Kassandra has another question. “I have always wondered why the volume of pyramids or cones is always $\frac{1}{3}$ of the volume of the prism or cylinder with the same base and height.”
Chau replies, "I'm not sure why it is true in general, but I think I can explain it for a square pyramid whose height is \( \frac{1}{2} \) of the side length of the square that forms the base." Chau quickly sketches the following cube with all four of its diagonals. She has labeled the length of each edge of the cube as \( x \) inches.

4. The diagonals divide the cube into 6 congruent pyramids. (Each face of the cube is the base of one of the pyramids.) How is the volume of each of these pyramids related to the volume of the cube? Use Chau's drawing and the relationship between the volumes of the cube and the pyramids to derive a formula for the volume of one of the pyramids in terms of \( x \).

5. The pyramid in question 4 does not have the same height as the cube. Find the volume of the rectangular prism that has the same base and height as one of the pyramids.

6. How is the volume of the pyramid described in question 4 related to the volume of the rectangular prism described in question 5?
5.11 Footprints in the Sand – Teacher Notes

A Solidify Understanding Task

**Purpose:** The purpose of this task is to deepen students understanding of the volume formulas for prisms, pyramids, cylinders and cones. In this task they examine informal, dissection arguments supporting these volume formulas. Task 7.12, *Cavalieri to the Rescue*, extends the informal argument supporting these volume formulas to cones and spheres.

**Core Standards Focus:**

**G.GMD.1** Give an informal argument for the formulas for the circumference of a circle, area of a circle, volume of a cylinder, pyramid, and cone. Use dissection arguments, Cavalieri’s principle, and informal limit arguments.

**G.GMD.3** Use volume formulas for cylinders, pyramids, cones, and spheres to solve problems.

**Standards for Mathematical Practice:**

*SMP 8* – Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning

**The Teaching Cycle:**

**Launch (Whole Class):**

Introduce the context of this task by reading the first few paragraphs of the task, focusing on the idea that prisms can be described in terms of their “footprint” region and their height. Inform students that in this task they are looking for and justifying a formula for finding the volume of a prism with a non-rectangular base, since the formula \( V = l \cdot w \cdot h \) no longer works. In questions 4-6 they will also be looking for a relationship between the volume of a pyramid and the rectangular prism in which it could be inscribed, by considering a special case.

**Explore (Small Group):**

Watch for students who might observe that the ratio of the area of the inscribed base to the area of the corresponding rectangular or circular base, is the same as the ratio of the volume of the prism
with the inscribed base to the volume of the rectangular prism or cylinder from which it is taken. That is, the portion of the base that is discarded is proportional to the volume of the solid that is discarded.

**Discuss (Whole Class):**
The whole class discussion should focus on generalizing the formula for the volume of any prism or cylinder to $V = Bh$, where $B$ is the area of the base of the prism. Students should also present the relationship they found between the volume of a pyramid and the volume of a rectangular prism with the same base and height for the special case given in the task.

If you wish to discuss this idea further, here are some online sites that provide additional support for the relationship between a pyramid and its corresponding prism, or a cone and its corresponding cylinder:


*This site provides a template for nets that can be folded into pyramids so that three such pyramids form a cube. The nets are provided in two sizes, so the issue of scaling up area and volume is also accessible with these nets.*


*This site includes a dynamic animation of the three pyramids that form a cube. It also illustrates how a cone can have the same volume as a pyramid—thus illustrating Cavalieri’s principle for non-congruent cross sections. You might use this last example in the following task on Cavalieri's principle.*

http://ceemrr.com/Geometry2/Pyramid_Cone/Pyramid_Cone_print.html

*This site includes a dynamic animation of Cavalieri’s principle, which will be examined in the next task. It also illustrates how to decompose a triangular prism into three pyramids, and then generalizes the visual “proof” of the pyramid formula to general pyramids by showing that all prisms can be decomposed into triangular prisms.*

**Aligned Ready, Set, Go: Circles: A Geometric Perspective 5.11**
READY

Topic: Finding distance between two points.

Plot each pair of points on the coordinate grid. Then find the length of the line segment that connects each pair of points.

1. $(-3, 5)$ $(-3, -7)$

2. $(5, -7)$ $(-3, -7)$

3. $(-3, 5)$ $(5, -7)$

4. $(-3, -1)$ $(-3, -7)$

5. $(1, -7)$ $(-3, -7)$

6. $(-3, -1)$ $(1, -7)$
**SET**

Topic: Finding surface area and volume for similar solids.

Find the surface area and volume of each pyramid or cone.

7.  

8. A pyramid that is similar to the pyramid in number 7 but scaled up by a factor of 3.

9.  

10. A pyramid that is similar to the pyramid in number 9 but scaled up by a factor of 5.
11. 

12. A cone that is similar to the one at the left that has been scaled up by a factor of 4.

GO

Topic: Finding the missing measures in a triangle.

Find the missing angles and sides in each triangle.

13.

14.
15. \[ \text{5}\sqrt{3} \text{ ft} \]

16. Be sure to find \( m\angle 1 \) and \( m\angle 2 \) and \( DG \)
5.12 Cavalieri to the Rescue

**A Solidify Understanding Task**

Carlos, Clarita, and Zac are playing a geometry game. Each player selects a point \( C \) on the line segment \( MN \), which is parallel to line segment \( AB \). The points \( A, B \) and \( C \) form the vertices of a triangle. The player who creates the triangle with the largest area wins the game.

Carlos has placed his point at position \( C_1 \), Clarita has selected point \( C_2 \), and Zac has chosen to locate his point at \( C_3 \). Now they are discussing their choices before calculating the areas of each triangle to determine the winner.

Carlos: I chose my point so the triangle would stretch as far left as possible, enclosing a large amount of area.

Clarita: I thought it would be best to create an isosceles triangle so the triangle would be symmetric about its altitude, so I chose a point on segment \( MN \) directly above the midpoint of segment \( AB \).

Zac: I thought that a right triangle would create the largest triangle, since my triangle would be half of a rectangle.

1. Without doing any calculations, who do you think created the triangle with the largest area?
2. If you were playing the game with Carlos, Clarita and Zac, where would you place your point $C$? Mark a point on segment $MN$ to represent your best guess. You may mark your point at the same position as one that has already been chosen, if you agree that point would form the largest triangle.

3. Now it is time to determine a winner. Make any measurements necessary to calculate the winner of the game. Whose strategy won?

Carlos, Clarita and Zac were initially surprised by the results and wondered why the triangle images were so deceptive. They began to wonder if they could really believe their calculations. Then Carlos suggested an experiment. He drew a series of line segments in each triangle, with each segment parallel to the base of the triangle, $AB$, and with corresponding segments in each of the triangles drawn at the same distance above the base, as shown in the diagram below. Carlos then measured each of the corresponding line segments.

4. Complete Carlos' experiment by measuring each of the corresponding line segments. What do you notice? What does this observation suggest about the areas of the triangles, and why?

Clarita said, "It feels like you are treating each triangle as if it was made up of a bunch of layers or slices."
Zac, inspired by Clarita’s comment, pulled a handful of pennies out of his pocket and stacked them to form a cylinder. “I can calculate the volume of this stack of coins using the formula \( V = Bh \). But what if I tilt the stack so it looks more like the Leaning Tower of Pisa. Now how do I figure out how much space the coins occupy?”

Carlos and Clarita smiled at Zac’s clever way of illustrating an idea that was new to both of them. They were excited to tell their geometry teacher about their discovery and Zac’s principle. They were surprised to hear that Zac wasn’t the first person to think of it, and that it was known as Cavalieri’s principle.

5. In your own words, state what you think Cavalieri’s principle is, based on the triangle experiment and the stack of coins illustration.

Try out another experiment with Cavalieri’s principle. Once again, line \( MN \) is parallel to segment \( AB \). Measure the length of segment \( AB \), and then mark a congruent segment \( CD \) anywhere on line \( MN \). Connect the endpoints of segment \( AB \) to the endpoints of segment \( CD \) to form a parallelogram. Mark another segment \( EF \) on line \( MN \) so that \( EF \) is also congruent to \( AB \). Connect the endpoints of segment \( AB \) to the endpoints of segment \( EF \) to form another parallelogram.

6. Use these two non-congruent parallelograms to illustrate Cavalieri’s principle. What can you say about the areas of these two parallelograms, and what convinces you this is true?

While Zac’s demonstration with the pennies has convinced Carlos and Clarita that the volume of prisms and cylinders where the parallel slices are not directly above each other is the
same as corresponding **right prisms** and **right circular cylinders**, they are wondering about pyramids and cones where the vertex of the cone is not directly above the center of the base. "How do you find the volume of these types of pyramids and cones?" Looking online, they have learned that these types of solids are called **oblique prisms, oblique pyramids, oblique cylinders** and **oblique cones**.

While online, Carlos found this information: *The volume of a right prism or right circular cylinder is given by* \( V = Bh \), where \( B \) is the area of the surface that forms the base, and \( h \) is the height of the prism or cylinder. *The volume of a pyramid or cone is \( \frac{1}{3} \) of the volume of a prism or cylinder with the same base and height.*

Clarita found this information: *The volume of a prism or cylinder is given by* \( V = Bh \), where \( B \) is the area of the congruent cross sections parallel to the base, and \( h \) is the height of the prism. *The volume of a pyramid or cone is \( \frac{1}{3} \) of the volume of a prism or cylinder with the same base and height.*

7. How do these two statements differ and what do those differences imply?

Carlos, Clarita and Zac each find interesting geogebra animations and activities that give them additional insights about Cavalieri’s principle and the volumes of oblique pyramids and cones.

Carlos finds a geogebra app that helps him visualize why the volume of a pyramid is \( \frac{1}{3} \) of the volume of a prism with the same base (that is, the bases are congruent shapes) and height: https://www.geogebra.org/m/VNjkbxgE

Clarita finds a geogebra app that uses Cavalieri’s principle to help her visualize why all pyramids with the same base (that is, the bases of each pyramid are congruent shapes) and height will have the same volume: https://www.geogebra.org/m/NwcBfSwZ#material/JNdR7RY7
Zac finds this geogebra app that uses Cavalieri’s principle to derive the formula for the volume of a sphere. He is surprised to learn that Cavalieri’s principle does not require that the parallel slices in the two shapes need to be congruent, only that they need to have the same area:

https://www.geogebra.org/m/a9jQQQFz

8. Examine each of the geogebra apps that Carlos, Clarita and Zac found online, and summarize what you learn from each application. Be specific about how each app can suggest a mathematical argument for the claim, not just a visual one.

a. Carlos’ app:

b. Clarita’s app:

c. Zac’s app:
5.12 Cavalieri to the Rescue – Teacher Notes

A Solidify Understanding Task

Purpose: The purpose of this task is to introduce Cavalieri’s principle, and to deepen students understanding of the volume formulas for prisms, pyramids, cylinders and cones, particularly when applied to oblique (non-right) examples of these solids.

Typically, students have been introduced to the formula for finding the area of a triangle by cutting a rectangle or parallelogram in half along a diagonal to form two congruent triangles whose areas are given by \( A = \frac{bh}{2} \). In a similar manner, the area formula for a parallelogram is often derived by “cutting off” a triangle from one side of the parallelogram and moving it to the other side to form a rectangle of equal area. In this task students explore the more general idea that all triangles with the same base and height will have the same area, regardless of their shape. This is not intuitively obvious, even though the area formula suggests it should be true. Students explore why this is true by envisioning triangles as made up of layers or slices, and considering what it would mean if each corresponding slice of two different triangles contributed the same amount of area to the total area of their respective triangles. A similar experiment allows students to conclude that two non-congruent parallelograms with the same base and height contain the same area.

Students also examine a 3-dimensional example of a right circular cylinder and an oblique cylinder with the same height and same cross sections, and conclude that the two cylinders will occupy the same volume. They will also examine online resources that use Cavalieri’s principle to justify the volume formulas of other solid figures, particularly the volume of spheres, pyramids and cones.

Core Standards Focus:
G.GMD.2  Give an informal argument using Cavalieri’s principle for the formulas for the volume of a sphere and other solid figures.

Related Standard: G.GMD.1
Standards for Mathematical Practice:

The Teaching Cycle:
Launch (Whole Class):
While students know the formula for finding the area of a triangle, it will probably not occur to them that this implies that all three triangles in Carlos, Clarita and Zac’s game have the same area. Allow students to initially believe that the areas are different, based on their intuition about the shape of the triangles. If someone suggests that the areas are the same, ask if they are sure, since we typically think of the area formula for a triangle as being derived from cutting a rectangle or parallelogram in half along a diagonal. Carlos’ triangle doesn’t seem to be half of a parallelogram or rectangle, so it should give students reason to wonder about whether or not the formula applies in this case. Make sure everyone makes a prediction for the largest triangle, before continuing on with the remainder of the task.

Explore (Small Group):
Remind students that the altitude of a triangle may fall outside of the region occupied by the triangle. Help students recognize that the height of all three triangles is the same, and therefore, according to the area formula, all three triangles should contain the same area. This may still seem implausible to students until they start working on Carlos’ experiment.

Make sure students are measuring corresponding segments in each of the three triangles as they work on Carlos’ diagram. Suggest that they start with the top segments in each triangle, since they do not overlap. As they measure other segments, make sure students are measuring segments from side to side of each triangle. Students should observe that corresponding segments are all the same length.

It may be unclear to students what Clarita is saying about “layers” or “slices”. Ask students what would happen if we were to continue to draw corresponding line segments in each triangle? Since our pencil lead has a bit of thickness, eventually we could fill in the area of a triangle by just drawing parallel (thick) line segments. Each slice contributes a small amount to the total area of
the triangle. Since each triangle can be composed of the same set of (thick) line segments—just stacked differently—all three triangles would contain the same amount of area.

**Discuss (Whole Class):**

Focus the discussion on stating a clear definition of Cavalieri’s principle, which is,

- **2-dimensional case:** Suppose two regions in a plane are included between two parallel lines in that plane. If every line parallel to these two lines intersects both regions in line segments of equal length, then the two regions have equal areas.

- **3-dimensional case:** Suppose two solids are included between two parallel planes. If every plane parallel to these two planes intersects both regions in cross-sections of equal area, then the two regions have equal volumes.

(see http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cavalieri's_principle)

You might consider assigning question 8 as homework or extra credit, or explore some of the online resources together as a class.

**Aligned Ready, Set, Go: Circles: A Geometric Perspective 5.12**
READY

Topic: Multiplying binomials and factoring quadratics into two linear factors.

Multiply the two factors and simplify by adding like terms.

1. $(5x - 7)(-3x + 8)$
2. $(2x + 3)(6x + 1)$
3. $(-2x - 7)(-7x - 1)$

Factor each quadratic expression into two binomials.

4. $10x^2 + 38x + 36$
5. $6x^2 + 17x - 14$
6. $8x^2 - 2x - 15$

SET

Topic: Applying Cavalieri’s Theorem.

7. Below are 3 quadrilaterals. Compare the perimeters and the areas. How are they the same and how are they different?

For which of the quadrilaterals are the calculations the same? Explain why this is happening.
8. The figure at the right contains several triangles: $\triangle HAF, \triangle HDF, \triangle HDG, \triangle AFD$, and $\triangle AGD$.

   Given that $AD \parallel HG$, which triangles have the same area? Justify your answer.

9. The figure at the right shows a cube with edges of length $(a + b)$. The cube has been sliced into pieces by three planes parallel to its faces.

   a. Write an expression for the volume of the cube in terms of $a$ and $b$.
   
   b. Into how many pieces is the cube cut?
   
   c. How many of these pieces are also cubes?
   
   d. Write an expression in terms of $a$ and $b$ for the volume of each cube you found.
   
   e. How many pieces have a volume of $a^2b$?
   
   f. How many pieces have a volume of $ab^2$?
   
   g. Write the volume of the figure as the sum of the volumes of its pieces.
   
   h. Show the work that proves the equivalence between the factored and expanded forms.
GO
Topic: Congruent and Similar Solids

Determine if each pair of solids is similar, congruent, or neither. Justify your answers.

10. Similar, congruent, or neither?
   How do you know?

11. Similar, congruent, or neither?
   How do you know?

12. Similar, congruent, or neither?
   How do you know?