<u>Sample Proofs</u> – Below are examples of some typical proofs that we cover in Geometry and Geometry XL classes. We have left the proofs blank so you can have a go at doing the proofs yourself. The solutions are at the end of the document.



Proof #2

Given: PQ bisects \angle SPT, SP \cong PT Prove: \triangle SPQ $\cong \triangle$ TPQ	S C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C C
Statements	Reasons
1. PQ bisects ∠SPT, SP ≅ PT	1. Given

	Given: $AB \cong AC$, $BD \cong CD$
A B	Prove: AD bisects ∠CAB
Statements	Reasons
1. AB ≃ AC, BD ≃ CD	1. Given

Proof #4	
Given: p'gram ABCD w/ diagonals AC & BD	A
Prove: AO \cong OC and DO \cong OB	D C
Statements	Reasons
1. p'gram ABCD w/ diagonals AC & BD	1. Given

Given: AE ≅ EC, DE ≅ EB Prove: ABCD is a p'gram	A D H C C
Statements	Reasons
1. AE ≅ EC, DE ≅ EB	1. Given
ABCD is a p'gram	Defn of a p'gram

Proof #6	
Given: trapezoid ABCD	A B
$AD \cong BC$	
Prove: $AC \cong BD$	
Statements	Reasons

Proof #7	
Given: p'gram ABCD	A/ B
$\angle CBD \cong \angle ABD, \angle BDC \cong \angle BDA$	
Prove: ABCD is a rhombus	D D C
Statements	Reasons

Solutions

Proof #1 Given: a triangle with $m \angle 3 = 90^{\circ}$ 1 Prove: $\angle 1$ and $\angle 2$ are complementary 3 2 Statements Reasons 1. m∠3 = 90° 1. Given 2. $m \angle 1 + m \angle 2 + m \angle 3 = 180^{\circ}$ 2. Sum of \angle 's for a \triangle 3. Substitution 3. m∠1 + m∠2 + 90°= 180° 4. Subt. Prop. of equality 4. m∠1 + m∠2 = 90° 5. Defn of comp. ∠'s 5. $\angle 1$ and $\angle 2$ are complementary

Proof #2

Given: \overline{PQ} bisects \angle SPT, $\overline{SP} \cong \overline{PT}$ Prove: \triangle SPQ $\cong \triangle$ TPQ	S T
Statements	Reasons
1. \overline{PQ} bisects \angle SPT	1. Given
2. $\overline{SP} \cong \overline{PT}$	2. Given
3. ∠SPQ ≅ ∠QPT	 Defn of ∠ bisector
4. $\overline{PQ} \cong \overline{PQ}$	4. Reflexive prop. of congruence
5. $\triangle SPQ \cong \triangle TPQ$	5. SAS congruence postulate

	Given: $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$, $\overline{BD} \cong \overline{CD}$
	Prove: \overline{AD} bisects $\angle CAB$
A	
Statements	Reasons
Statements 1. $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$, $\overline{BD} \cong \overline{CD}$	Reasons 1. Given
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Statements 1. $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AC}$, $\overline{BD} \cong \overline{CD}$ 2. $\overline{AD} \cong \overline{AD}$ 3. $\triangle ACD \cong \triangle ABD$ 4. $\angle CAD \cong \angle BAD$	Reasons 1. Given 2. Reflexive prop. of congruence 3. SSS congruence postulate 4. CPCTC

Proof #4	
Given: p'gram ABCD w/ diagonals \overline{AC} &	A
BD	
	c
Prove: $AO \cong OC$ and $DO \cong OB$	
Statements	Reasons
1. p'gram ABCD w/ diagonals \overline{AC} & \overline{BD}	1. Given
2. $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{DC}$	2. Defn of parallelogram
3. $\angle BAO \cong \angle DCO$ and $\angle ABO \cong \angle CDO$	3. Alt Int ∠'s ≅
4. $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$	4. Opposite sides of a p'gram \cong
5. $\triangle ABO \cong \triangle DCO$	5. ASA congruence theorem
6. $\overline{AO} \cong \overline{OC}$ and $\overline{DO} \cong \overline{OB}$	6. CPCTC

Given: $\overline{AE} \cong \overline{EC}$ and $\overline{DE} \cong \overline{EB}$ Prove: ABCD is a p'gram	A E H C
	D 2
Statements	Reasons
1. $\overline{AE} \cong \overline{EC}$ and $\overline{DE} \cong \overline{EB}$	1. Given
2. ∠BEC ≅ ∠AED	2. Vertical ∠'s ≅
3. $\triangle BEC \cong \triangle AED$	3. SAS congruence postulate
4. ∠CBE ≅ ∠ADE	4. CPCTC
5. $\overline{BC} \parallel \overline{AD}$	5. Alt int \angle 's \cong \rightarrow lines
6. ∠AEB ≅ ∠CED	6. Vertical ∠'s ≅
7. $\triangle AEB \cong \triangle CED$	7. SAS congruence postulate
8. ∠DCE ≅ ∠BAE	8. CPCTC
9. $\overline{AB} \parallel \overline{DC}$	9. Alt int \angle 's $\cong \rightarrow$ lines
10. ABCD is a p'gram	10. Defn of a parallelogram

Proof #6	
Given: trapezoid ABCD with $\overline{AD} \cong \overline{BC}$	A B
Prove: $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}$	D C
Statements	Reasons
1. Trapezoid ABCD, $\overline{AD} \cong \overline{BC}$	1. Given
2. ABCD is isosceles Trapezoid	2. Definition of isosceles trapezoid
3. $\overline{DC} \cong \overline{DC}$	3. Reflexive prop of \cong
4. ∠BCD ≅ ∠ADC	4. Base \angle 's in an isos. trapezoid are \cong
5. $\triangle BCD \cong \triangle ADC$	5. SAS
6. $\overline{AC} \cong \overline{BD}$	6. CPCTC

Given: p'gram ABCD $\angle CBD \cong \angle ABD$, $\angle BDC \cong \angle BDA$	AB
Prove: ABCD is a rhombus	DATC
Statements	Reasons
1. p'gram ABCD	1. Given
2. ∠CBD ≅ ∠ABD, ∠BDC ≅ ∠BDA	2. Given
3. $\overline{BD} \cong \overline{BD}$	3. Reflexive prop of \cong
4. $\triangle BCD \cong \triangle BAD$	4. ASA congruence theorem
5. $\overline{CD} \cong \overline{AD}$	5. CPCTC
6. $\overline{BC} \cong \overline{AB}$	6. CPCTC
7. $\overline{CD} \cong \overline{AB}$, $\overline{AD} \cong \overline{BC}$	7. Opposite sides of parallelogram are congruent
8. $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{BC} \cong \overline{\overline{AD}} \cong \overline{\overline{CD}}$	8. Transitive prop of \cong
9. ABCD is a rhombus	9. Defn of a rhombus