# List of Reasons for Geometric Statement/Reason Proofs

# **CONGRUENT TRIANGLE REASONS:**

- 1. Two intersecting lines form congruent **vertical angles** OR **vertical angles are congruent**.
- 2. Defn. of **midpoint** A midpoint divides a line segment into two congruent line segments.
- 3. Defn of **segment bisector** A segment bisector is a line segment or ray that divides a line segment into two congruent line segments.
- 4. Defn of **angle bisector** An angle bisector divides an angle into two congruent angles.
- 5. Defn. of  $\perp$  lines- Perpendicular lines intersect to form right angles.
- 6. All **right angles** are congruent.
- 7. A **right triangle** contains a right angle.
- 8. **Symmetric Property** (Ex. If a=b, then b=a)
- 9. **Reflexive Property** (Ex.  $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{AB}$ )
- 10. Substitution/ Transitive Postulate (Ex. If a=b and b=c, then a=c)
- 11. Addition Postulate (Ex. If a=b, then a+c = b+c)
- 12. A whole quantity is equal to the sum of its parts
- 13. **Subtraction Postulate** (Ex. If a=b, then a-c = b-c)
- 14. Complementary Angles are two angles whose sum is 90 degrees.
- 15. Supplementary Angles are two angles whose sum is 180 degrees.
- 16. Supplements (or complements) of congruent angles are congruent.
- 17. If two angles form a **linear pair**, they are supplementary.
- 18. If two angles form a **linear pair and are congruent**, they are **right angles**.
- **19. Third Angles Theorem:** If two angles of one triangle are congruent to two angles of a second triangle, then the third angles are also congruent
- 20. Isosceles triangles have two congruent sides.
- 21. Isosceles triangles have two congruent base angles.
- 22. If **two sides** of a triangle are **congruent**, then the **angles opposite those sides are congruent**.
- 23. If **two angles** of a triangle are **congruent**, then the **sides opposite those angles are congruent**.
- 24. If a triangle is **isosceles**, the bisector of the vertex angle is perpendicular to the opposite side.
- 25. If the line from an angle of a triangle which is perpendicular to the opposite side meets the opposite side at its midpoint, then the triangle is **isosceles.**
- 26. Defn. of  $\perp$  **bisector** A perpendicular bisector is a line segment or ray that divides a line segment into two congruent line segments and creates congruent right angles.
- 27. Defn of **angle bisector** An angle bisector divides an angle into two congruent angles.

- 28. Defn of **median of a triangle**-A median is a segment drawn from any vertex of a triangle to the midpoint of the opposite side, it divides the opposite side into two congruent segments.
- 29. Defn of **altitude of a triangle** An altitude is a segment drawn from a vertex of a triangle so that it is  $\perp$  to the opposite side.
- **30**. Defn of **midsegment of a triangle** The segment connecting the mid points of two sides of a triangle is parallel to the third side and half its length.

31. Two **parallel** lines cut by a **transversal** create **congruent alternate interior angles.** 

32. Two **parallel** lines cut by a **transversal** create **congruent alternate exterior angles**.

- 33. Two parallel lines cut by a transversal create congruent corresponding angles.
- 34. If two lines are **perpendicular to the same line**, then they are **parallel**.
- *35. SAS* **≅***SAS*
- *36. SSS* **≅***SSS*
- *37. AAS ≅AAS*
- *38. ASA ≅ASA*
- *39. HL ≅HL*
- 40. Corresponding Parts of Congruent Triangles are Congruent (CPCTC)

#### SIMILAR TRIANGLE REASONS:

- 41. *AA*~*AA*
- 42. *SAS* ~ *SAS*
- 43. *SSS* ~ *SSS*
- 44. Corresponding Sides of Similar Triangles are in Proportion. (CSSTP)
- 44a. Corresponding Angles of Similar Triangles are Congruent (CASTC)
- 45. In a proportion, product of the means equals the product of the extremes OR In a proportion, cross-products are equal.
- 45a. If cross-products are equal (the product of the means equals the product of the extremes), then the corresponding sides of the similar triangles are proportional.

- 46. **Triangle Side Splitter Theorem** a line segment splits two sides of a triangle proportionally if and only if the line segment is parallel to the third side of the triangle.
- 47. **Angle Bisector of a Triangle Theorem-** if a ray bisects an angle of a triangle, then it divides the side opposite the angle into segments that are proportional to the other two sides of the triangle.

#### PARALLELOGRAM REASONS, SHOW ONE OF THESE :

- 48. Both pairs of opposite sides of a parallelogram are congruent
- 49. Both pairs of opposite angles of a parallelogram are congruent
- 50. Both pairs of opposite sides of a parallelogram are parallel.
- 51. One pair of opposite sides are both congruent and parallel.
- 52. The diagonals bisect each other.

### **RECTANGLE REASONS, SHOW ONE OF THESE :**

- 53. The quadrilateral is a parallelogram with one right angle.
- 54. The quadrilateral is equiangular.
- 55. The quadrilateral is a parallelogram whose diagonals are congruent.

### **RHOMBUS REASONS, SHOW ONE OF THESE :**

- 56. The quadrilateral is a parallelogram with two congruent consecutive sides.
- 57. The quadrilateral is equilateral.
- 58. The quadrilateral is a parallelogram whose diagonals are perpendicular to each other.

59. The quadrilateral is a parallelogram, and a diagonal bisects the angles whose vertices it joins.

### **TO PROVE A SQUARE, SHOW:**

60. The quadrilateral is a rectangle AND a rhombus.

## **CIRCLE PROOF REASONS:**

- 61. Congruent arcs have congruent chords.
- 62. Congruent chords intercept congruent arcs
- 63. Parallel chords intercept congruent arcs. [Arcs are between the chords.]
- 64. Chords equidistant from the center of the circle are congruent.
- 65. If an angle is inscribed in a semicircle, it is a right angle
- 66. If a diameter (or radius) is  $\perp$  to a chord, then it bisects the chord and its arc
- 67. The  $\perp$  bisector of a chord is a diameter or radius of the circle.
- 68. All radii of the same circle are congruent.
- 69. A central angle equals its intercepted arc.
- 70. If two chords are unequal, the shorter is farther from the center.
- 71. Inscribed angles that intercept the same arc or congruent arcs are congruent.
- 72. A tangent line is perpendicular to a radius at the point of tangency.
- 73. Two tangent segments drawn to a circle from the same external point are congruent. (Hat Theorem)