

(1) Name, Group Number, Lesson Number, Date

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Per \_\_\_\_\_

(2) Sketch and label

SLO: I can describe what a perpendicular bisector is, construct one, and can explain how the construction makes the perpendicular bisector.

(a)  $\triangle QRS$

(b)  $\angle JKL$

(c)  $\overline{GH}$  with midpoint M

(3) Put the DO NOW/EXIT TICKET packet away.

(1) Notes:

step a  
pages,  
scissors  
cup

(a) Obtain "1 Construction Notes Page 3 & 4", a descriptions page, scissors, and tape or glue

(b) Cut, arrange, check, and then glue or tape down the descriptions

(2) Constructing Perpendicular Bisectors:

compass  
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Use 4 different colors for the constructions below, 1 for each radius measure. Shade the boxes under the word "color" with the pencil/marker you use for that part of the construction.

(a) With a regular pencil, connect the 2 points below to make  $\overline{AB}$ .

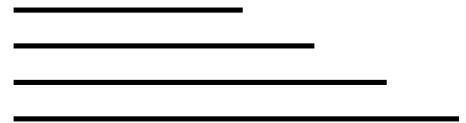
(b) Highlight (pink) and measure the first segment below with your compass

(c) Construct circle A (the center is A) and circle B with the radius you measured.

(d) With a dot, mark the point(s) where the two circles intersect.

(e) Repeat steps a-d for the other 3 radius lengths.

(Remember highlight each radius with a different color)



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A

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B

(2) **Constructing Perpendicular Bisectors continued:**

compass  
highlighters

(f) Label the points Q, R, S, T, U, V, W and X from top to bottom. Is point Q the same distance from A as it is from B? \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_.

(g) Is point 2 the same distance from A as it is from B? \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

(h) What about the other points, are they the same distance from A and B? \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

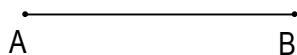
(i) Connect all of the points 1 through 8. What shape did you make when you connected them? \_\_\_\_\_

(j) You have just constructed the \_\_\_\_\_ for line segment AB. This is also the \_\_\_\_\_, set of points, equidistant from points A and B.

(k) The smallest number of circles you must draw to construct the perpendicular bisector is \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

(3) Construct the perpendicular bisector for each segment below. Label the intersection of the arcs W and X for the first perpendicular bisector and the Y and Z for the second one.

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highlighters

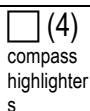


Connect W to A and W to B. Is W equidistant from points A and B? \_\_\_\_\_ How do you know? \_\_\_\_\_ What type of triangle is

$\triangle AWB$ ? \_\_\_\_\_

Is X equidistant from points A and B? \_\_\_\_\_ How do you know? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ What type of triangle is  $\triangle AXB$ ? \_\_\_\_\_



### Constructing Perpendicular Bisectors continued:

Construct a line perpendicular to line  $\ell$  that passes through point A. (see diagram below)

THINK: (a) Will point A be on the perpendicular line that you are constructing? \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(b) Are the points on a perpendicular bisector of a segment equidistant from the endpoints of the segment? \_\_\_\_\_

(c) How can you use your compass to construct 2 points on the line that are equidistant from point A?

\_\_\_\_\_ Do this and label the points C and D.

(d) Make two more circles/arcs centered at \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to construct the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{CD}$ .

(e) Does the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{CD}$  also bisect the line? \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

(f) Is the perpendicular bisector of the segment also perpendicular to the line? \_\_\_\_\_ because \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

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**Constructing Perpendicular Bisectors continued:**

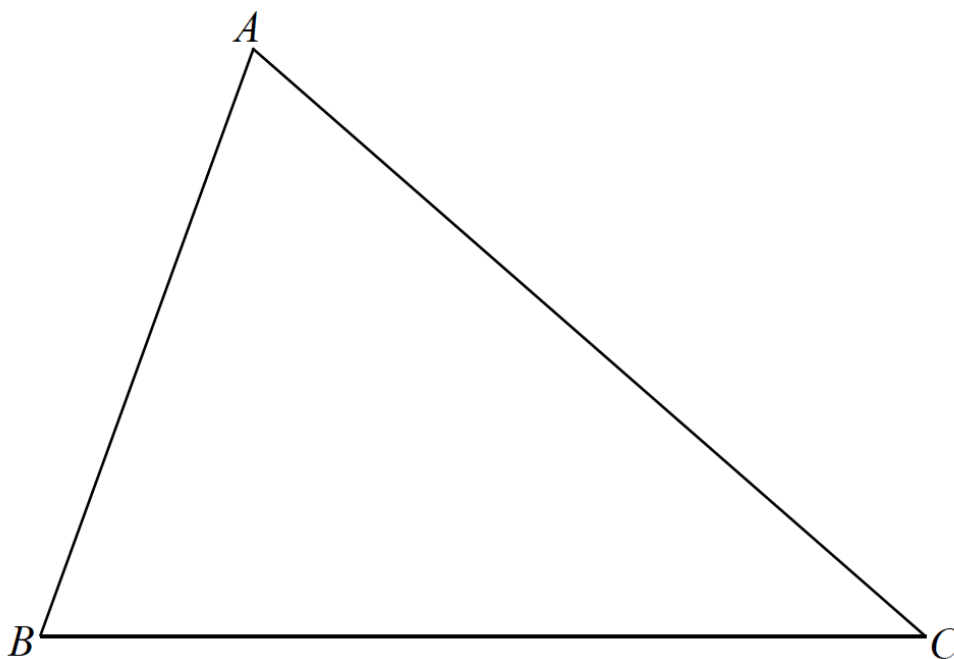
Construct the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{AB}$ ,  $\overline{BC}$ , and  $\overline{CA}$  on the triangle below. After you have constructed all 3 bisectors, describe what you notice about them. (If you want to reduce confusion, use a different color for each perpendicular bisector.)

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(6) **Constructing Perpendicular Bisectors continued:**

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Divide  $\overline{AB}$  into 4 congruent segments.

(Hint: construct the perpendicular bisector of  $\overline{AB}$  and then construct 2 more perpendicular bisectors.)

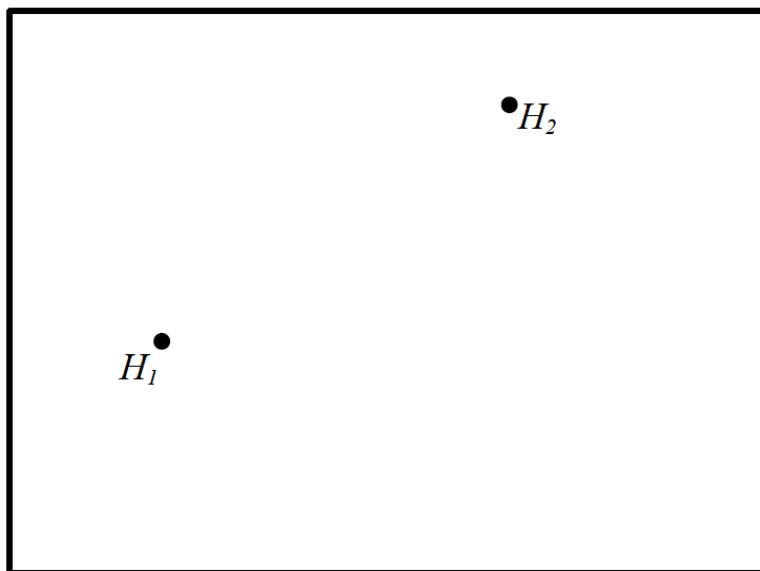


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### Constructing Perpendicular Bisectors continued:

Two homes are built on a plot of land. Both homeowners have dogs, and are interested in putting up as much fencing as possible between their homes on the land, but in a way that keeps the fence equidistant from each home. Use your construction tools to determine where the fence should go on the plot of land.

HINT: Should the fence CONNECT the houses or SEPARATE the houses?



How will the fencing alter with the addition of a third home?

CONSTRUCT the fences to SHOW how the fencing will change. (You may want to use more than one color.)

