

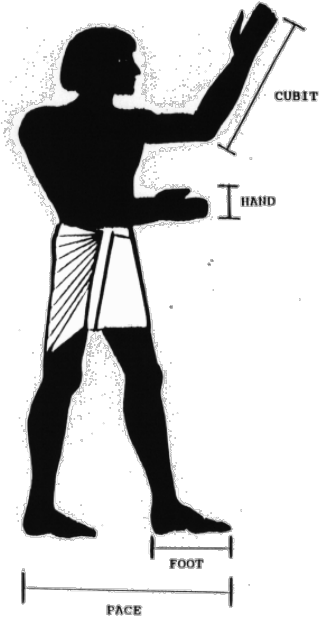
(DN) Read the history of the foot in #1 and respond to the prompt.

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

LO: I can divide a segment into a given number of equal segments.

(1) **A short history of measurement and the foot**

The foot is the primary unit of measure in the United States. The measurement system using the foot is widely believed to have originated from people living along the Nile. A rope with 12 knots was used to survey land along the Nile each year after the floods. The people living along the Nile also used a number system that was based on 60, not 10, and 60 divides evenly by 12. The length of a foot was based on the length of a human foot and an inch was the width of a persons thumb. Twelve thumb widths fit along a foot. As you can imagine, this led to significant measurement variation as each persons foot length and thumb width are different. It became necessary to use a consistent length of foot and inch. Once a standard length was chosen for the foot, it had to be divided into 12 equal segments, each representing one inch.



Today, you will learn two ways of dividing a segment into a specific number of smaller segments. You will then use both methods to divide a foot into 12 equal segments or inches.

Write down 2 things from the text above that struck you as interesting.

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(2) **(DO AFTER #3, #4 AND THE EXIT TICKET)**

ruler,  
compass,  
setsquare

**Foot into inches posters (start in class, finish for homework)**

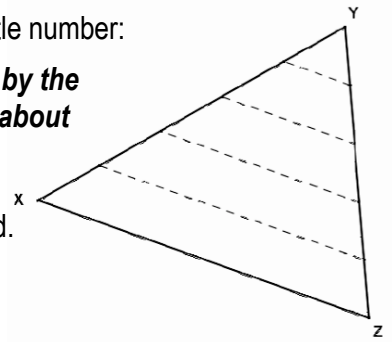
You and a partner each need an 11x17 piece of paper. One of you will use the method in #3 and the other will use the method in #4 to divide a foot into 12 equal inches.

- (1) Draw a line segment that is a foot long (use the measure on a ruler for this part)
- (2) Use one of the two methods to divide the foot long segment into 12 inches
- (3) Describe in 2 or 3 sentences why your method works
- (4) Use color on your poster to make the method easy to follow

□ (3)  
ruler,  
compass,  
setsquare

(a) Get into your time machine, we are going WAY back . . . back to 5.4 and this little number:

**“Given  $\triangle XYZ$ ,  $\overline{XY}$  and  $\overline{YZ}$  are partitioned into equal length segments by the endpoints of the dashed segments as shown. What can be concluded about the diagram?”**



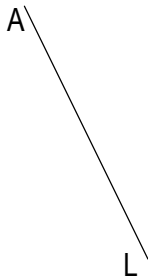
Mark the diagram so we can see the “equal length segments” that are described.  
What did we conclude?

(b) Let’s make our own equal length segments, but -- **NO MEASURING WITH NUMBERS!!**

(i) Use ray AT and a compass to construct a segment AD that is divided into 3 equal segments, AB, BC, and CD.

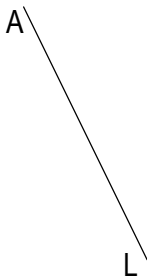


(ii) Okay, that’s not so tricky, but how about this! Divide segment AL into 3 equal segments, AE, EF, and FL. (no making AL longer or shorter!! And **NO MEASURING WITH NUMBERS!**)



How many times did you adjust and restart? Erase? Are all the segments equal? REALLY? Did you use numbers?! No cheating! How long would this process take to divide into 7 equal segments? 15 equal segments?

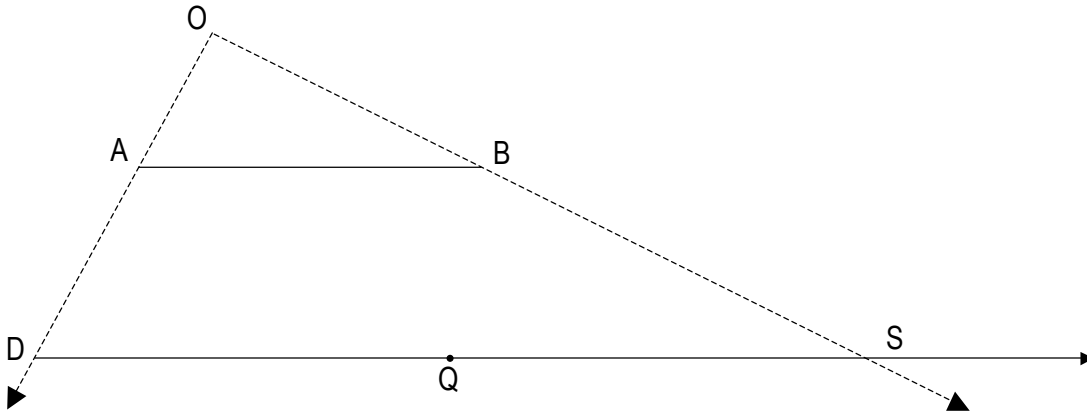
(iii) Okay, part (i) was pretty easy, but part (ii) was a bit more of a challenge. Can we use (i) to help us do (ii)? Here is segment AL again. Draw in ray AT and divide it into 3 equal segments like you did in part (i) and then read below



Put the idea of part (a) together with the 3 equal segments along ray AT. You can do this with a set square and a ruler. (Still . . . **NO NUMBERS!!**)

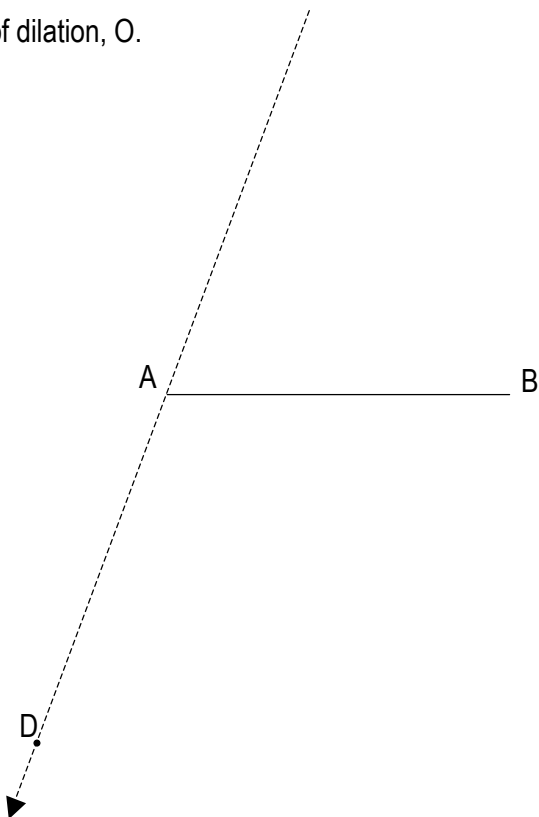
(4)  
ruler,  
compass,  
setsquare

$\overline{AB}$  is a dilation of  $\overline{DS}$  about point  $O$ .  $\overline{DQ}$  and  $\overline{QS}$  are equal – mark this in the diagram. Use the diagram to locate point  $R$  on  $\overline{AB}$  so that  $\overline{AR}$  and  $\overline{RB}$  are dilations of  $\overline{DQ}$  and  $\overline{QS}$  about point  $O$ .  
**NO MEASURING WITH NUMBERS!!**



Because  $\overline{AR}$  and  $\overline{RB}$  are dilations of equal segments  $\overline{DQ}$  and  $\overline{QS}$  about point  $O$ ,  
that means \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

Divide  $\overline{AB}$  into 5 equal segments. Use the idea above by starting at  $D$  and making 5 equal segments,  $\overline{DE}$ ,  $\overline{EF}$ ,  $\overline{FG}$ ,  $\overline{GH}$ , and  $\overline{HI}$  along ray  $DS$  and dilating them. To draw  $DS$ , you will need to use a ruler and setsquare so that \_\_\_\_\_ Use points  $I$  and  $B$  to find the location of the center of dilation,  $O$ .



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 (5) **Exit Ticket**ruler,  
compass,  
setsquareDo the full page handout exit ticket for this lesson

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 (6) **Homework**ruler,  
compass,  
setsquare

(1) Using a ruler, draw a segment that is 10cm. This length is referred to as a decimeter. Use the side splitter method (like #3 in this packet) to divide your segment into ten equal-sized pieces. What should be the length of each of those pieces based on your construction? Check the length of the pieces using a ruler. Are the lengths of the pieces accurate?

(2) Repeat problem 1 using the dilation method (like #4 in this packet). What should be the length of each of those pieces based on your construction? Check the length of the pieces using a ruler. Are the lengths of the pieces accurate?

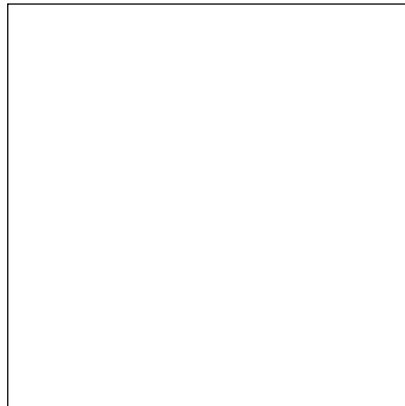
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**(5) Homework**ruler,  
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(3) A portion of a ruler that measured whole units is shown below. Determine the location of  $5\frac{2}{3}$  units. Use #3 or #4 to help you.

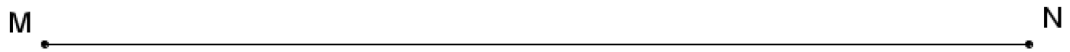


(4) Use the dilation method to create an equally spaced 3x3 grid in the following square. (Hint: divide the top and the left side into 3 equal segments by using the dilation method twice). Use #4 to help you.



## Exit Ticket

(1) Use the side splitter method (#3) to divide  $\overline{MN}$  into 7 equal-sized pieces.



(2) Use the dilation method to divide  $\overline{PQ}$  into 11 equal-sized pieces.



(3) If the segment below represents the interval from zero to one on the number line, locate and label  $\frac{4}{7}$ .

