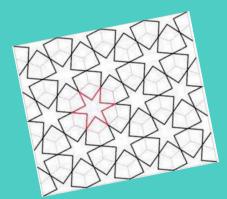


Lesson 2: Constructing Patterns



Lesson Summary

Constructing Geometric Patterns:

The tools to use are a straightedge and a compass.



What if someone else wants to make the same pattern?

*We need to communicate how to reproduce the pattern precisely.

Compare these sets of instructions:

What makes these different? Start with a line and 2 points.

Start with a line ℓ , point A on line ℓ and point B not on line ℓ .

2. . Create a line.

Create a line through A and B extending in both directions. Label this line p.

Create a circle.

Create a circle centered at A with radius AB. This circle intersects with line ℓ in 2 places. Label the intersection point to the right of A as C.

Compare these sets of instructions:

Create a circle.

Create a circle centered at B with radius BA. This circle intersects with line p at A and 1 other point. Label the new intersection point as D.

Create a circle.

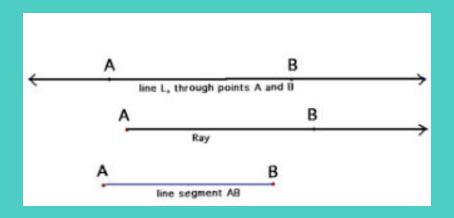
Create a circle centered at D with a radius of length BC. This circle intersects with the circle centered at B in 2 places. Label the intersection point to the right of B as E.

makes these differents

6. Create a line. Create a line through B and E extending in both directions.

It is important to label points and segments,

such as point A or segment AB, to communicate precisely.



These are instructions to construct a line parallel to a given line.

Parallel lines:

- 2 lines are parallel if they don't intersect.
- 2 segments are parallel if they extend into parallel lines.

