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## Find and Draw Lines of Symmetry

Essential Question How do you find lines of symmetry?

## Unlock the Problem

How many lines of symmetry does each polygon have?

## (1) Activity 1 Find lines of symmetry.

Materials $\quad$ isometric and square dot paper $■$ straightedge

## STEP 1

Draw a triangle like the one shown, so all sides have equal length.


## STEP 2

Fold the triangle in different ways to test for line symmetry. Draw along the fold lines that are lines of symmetry.


- Is there a line of symmetry if you fold the paper horizontally?


## STEP 3

Repeat the steps for each polygon shown. Complete the table.

| Polygon | Triangle | Square | Parallelogram | Rhombus | Trapezoid | Hexagon |
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| Number of Sides | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of Lines <br> of Symmetry | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |

- In a regular polygon, all sides are of equal length and all angles are equal. What do you notice about the number of lines of symmetry in regular polygons?

Use Repeated Reasoning How many lines of symmetry does a circle have? Explain.
(1) Activity 2 Make designs that have line symmetry.

Materials $\quad$ pattern blocks
Make a design by using more than one pattern block. Record your design. Draw the line or lines of symmetry.

## ERROR Alert

To avoid errors, you may use a mirror to check for line symmetry.

Make a design with 2 lines of symmetry.


Make a design with 1 line of symmetry.

Make a design with zero lines of symmetry.

## Share and Show

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1. The shape at the right has line symmetry. Draw the 2 lines of symmetry.

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Tell whether the shape appears to have zero lines, 1 line, or more than 1 line of symmetry. Write zero, 1 , or more than 1.
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## On Your Own

Tell whether the shape appears to have zero lines, 1 line, or more than 1 line of symmetry. Write zero, 1 , or more than 1.
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Practice: Copy and Solve Does the design have line symmetry? Write yes or no. If your answer is yes, draw all lines of symmetry.
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14. GODEEPER Draw a figure that has 5 sides and exactly 1 line of symmetry.

## Problem Solving • Applications

## Use the chart for 15-17.

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GODEEPER Which letters appear to have only 1 line of symmetry?
16. Which letters appear to have zero lines of symmetry?
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17. THINKSMARTER The letter C has horizontal symmetry. The letter A has vertical symmetry. Which letters appear to have both horizontal and vertical symmetry?

| A | $H$ | $S$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B | I | T |
| C | J | U |
| D | L | V |
|  | $N$ | $W$ |

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18. Mavitwaical 3)Verify the Reasoning of Others Jeff says that the shape has only 2 lines of symmetry.

Does his statement make sense? Explain.


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19. THINKSMARIER + B Match each figure with the correct number of lines of symmetry it has.



# Practice and Homework 

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## Find and Draw Lines of Symmetry

Tell whether the shape appears to have zero lines, 1 line, or more than 1 line of symmetry.

Common
Core COMMON CORE STANDARD—4.G.A. 3
Draw and identify lines and angles, and classify shapes by properties of their lines and angles.
Write zero, 1 , or more than 1.
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Does the design have line symmetry? Write yes or no.
If your answer is yes, draw all lines of symmetry.
5.

6.

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Draw a shape for the statement. Draw the line or lines of symmetry.
9. zero lines of symmetry

10. 1 line of symmetry

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11. 2 lines of symmetry


## Problem Solving

Use the chart for 12.
12. Which number or numbers appear to have 2 lines of symmetry?
13. WRITE Math Draw a picture of a figure that has more than 3 lines of symmetry. Draw the lines of symmetry.

## Lesson Check (4.G.a.3)

1. How many lines of symmetry does this shape appear to have?

2. Draw a shape that has exactly 1 line of symmetry.

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3. Richard practiced each of 3 piano solos for $\frac{5}{12}$ hour. Expressed in simplest form, how long did he practice in all?
4. Lynne used $\frac{3}{8}$ cup of flour and $\frac{1}{3}$ cup of sugar in a recipe. What number is a common denominator for $\frac{3}{8}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$ ?
5. Write a decimal that is equivalent to three and ten hundredths.
6. Kevin draws a figure that has four sides. All sides have the same length. His figure has no right angles. What figure does Kevin draw?
