

Scale It Up

Use corresponding sides to solve dilation problems.

GRADE 8 • TEKS 8.3.A

8.3.A "generalize that the ratio of corresponding sides of similar shapes are proportional, including a shape and its dilation;"

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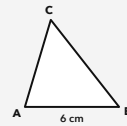
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MATCHING SIDE RATIOS

A dilation multiplies every side length by the same scale factor. For corresponding sides, image length/original length equals the scale factor. A factor less than 1 makes a smaller image, and a factor greater than 1 makes a larger image.

WORKED EXAMPLE

Triangle ABC is shown. It is dilated by a scale factor of 3 to form triangle A'B'C'. What is the length of A'B'?

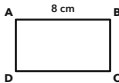


1. Side AB is 6 cm in the figure.
2. Multiply by the scale factor: $6 \times 3 = 18$.
3. A'B' is 18 cm.

Answer: 18 cm

PRACTICE 6 problems

- 1** The rectangle shown is dilated by a scale factor of $1/2$. What is the length of A'B'?



ANSWER _____

- 2** A side of a figure is 12 cm long. Its corresponding side in a dilated image is found using a scale factor of $7/4$. Find the image side length.

ANSWER _____

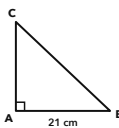
- 3** A dilated image has a corresponding side length of 20 cm. The scale factor from the original to the image is $5/2$. Find the original side length.

ANSWER _____

- 4** A small triangle has a side length of 14 cm. The matching side of a larger similar triangle is 35 cm. Find the scale factor from the small triangle to the large triangle.

ANSWER _____

- 5** The right triangle shown is dilated by a scale factor of $4/7$. What is the length of A'B'?



ANSWER _____

- 6** A smaller similar polygon has corresponding side lengths of 16 cm and 24 cm. A larger polygon has matching side lengths of 28 cm and x cm. Find x.

ANSWER _____

APPLY IT Show your work

- 1** A student makes a profile logo for a video channel. The original logo is 16 mm wide. She enlarges the logo with a scale factor of $\frac{5}{4}$. How wide is the enlarged logo?

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

- 2** A gaming club shrinks a 28 cm-wide banner design so it will fit on a folder. The scale factor is $\frac{5}{7}$. What is the width of the smaller design?

WORK SPACE

ANSWER _____

CHALLENGE One step up

A triangle has side lengths 16 cm, 28 cm, and 40 cm. A second triangle has corresponding side lengths 20 cm, 35 cm, and x cm. Is the second triangle a dilation of the first triangle? Find x and explain your reasoning.

WORK SPACE AND ANSWER

PART 1 • PRACTICE

#	PROBLEM	ANSWER
1	The rectangle shown is dilated by a scale factor of $\frac{1}{2}$. What is the length of A'B'?	4 cm
2	A side of a figure is 12 cm long. Its corresponding side in a dilated image is found using a scale factor of $\frac{7}{4}$. Find the image side length.	21 cm
3	A dilated image has a corresponding side length of 20 cm. The scale factor from the original to the image is $\frac{5}{2}$. Find the original side length.	8 cm
4	A small triangle has a side length of 14 cm. The matching side of a larger similar triangle is 35 cm. Find the scale factor from the small triangle to the large triangle.	$\frac{5}{2}$
5	The right triangle shown is dilated by a scale factor of $\frac{4}{7}$. What is the length of A'B'?	12 cm
6	A smaller similar polygon has corresponding side lengths of 16 cm and 24 cm. A larger polygon has matching side lengths of 28 cm and x cm. Find x.	42 cm

PART 2 • APPLY IT

1. **20 mm** Multiply the original width by the scale factor: $16 \times \frac{5}{4} = 20$.
2. **20 cm** Multiply the original width by the scale factor: $28 \times \frac{5}{7} = 20$.

CHALLENGE

Yes. $x = 50$ cm because $\frac{20}{16} = \frac{35}{28} = \frac{5}{4}$, and $40 \times \frac{5}{4} = 50$.

Accept equivalent forms of scale factors, such as $\frac{5}{2}$ or 2.5. Require units for all side-length answers.