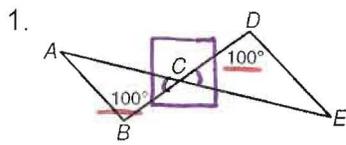


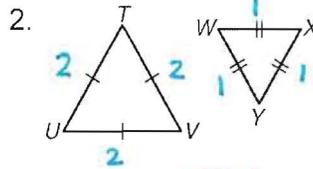
## Practice B

### Triangle Similarity: AA, SSS, SAS

For Exercises 1 and 2, explain why the triangles are similar and write a similarity statement.



$\angle B \cong \angle D$   
 $\angle C \cong \angle C$  (vertical  $\angle$ s)  
 $\triangle BCA \sim \triangle DCE$  by AA

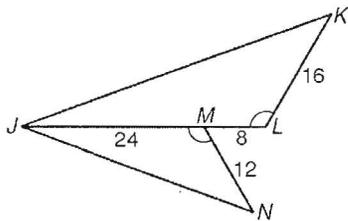


\*Just made up some #'s!

$TU/WY = 2/1$   
 $TV/WX = 2/1$   
 $UV/YX = 2/1$   
 $\triangle TVU \sim \triangle WXY$  by SSS

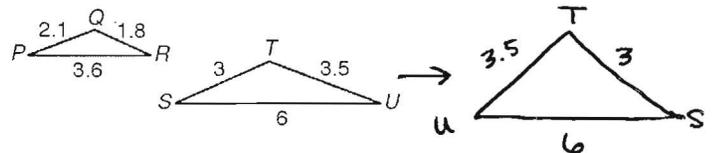
For Exercises 3 and 4, verify that the triangles are similar. Explain why.

3.  $\triangle JLK$  and  $\triangle JMN$



$\angle L \cong \angle M$   $JL/JM = 24/8 = 3$   
 $KL/NM = 16/12 = 4/3$   
 $\triangle JLK \sim \triangle JMN$  by SAS

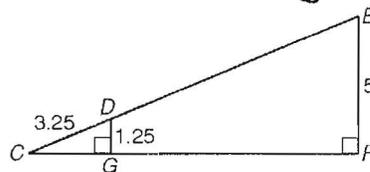
4.  $\triangle PQR$  and  $\triangle TUS$  ← pay attention!



$QR/TS = 1.8/3 = 3/5$   
 $QP/TU = 2.1/3.5 = 3/5$   $PQ/US = 3.6/6 = 3/5$   
 $\triangle PQR \sim \triangle TUS$  by SSS

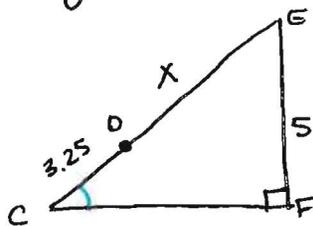
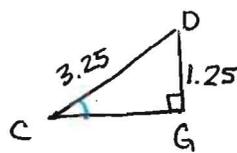
For Exercise 5, explain why the triangles are similar and find the stated length.

5. DE



$\angle C \cong \angle C$   
 $\angle G \cong \angle F$   
 $\triangle DCG \sim \triangle ECF$  by AA

$\frac{DC}{EC} = \frac{DG}{EF} \rightarrow \frac{3.25}{x+3.25} = \frac{1.25}{5}$



$16.25 = 1.25(x + 3.25)$   
 $16.25 = 1.25x + 4.0625$   
 $-4.0625$   
 $12.1875 = 1.25x$   
 $9.75 = x$