

Properties of Shapes: Vertically Opposite Angles

Aim: Recognise angles where they meet at a point, are on a straight line, or are vertically opposite, and find missing angles. To recognise angles which are vertically opposite and find missing angles.	Success Criteria: I know that vertically opposite angles are equal. I can find vertically opposite missing angles.	Resources: Lesson Pack Individual Whiteboards
	Key/New Words: Degree, acute, obtuse, reflex, vertically opposite, congruent.	Preparation: Differentiated Vertically Opposite Angles Activity Sheets – one per child Extra Challenge Activity Sheet – as required Angle Challenge Resource Sheet – one per pair Diving Into Mastery activity sheets – as required

Prior Learning: It will be helpful if children have calculated missing angles on a straight line and one whole turn previously.

Learning Sequence

	Estimating Angles 2: Children estimate in degrees the size of the angles shown on the Lesson Presentation , recording their estimation on individual whiteboards.	
	Vertically Opposite Angles: Using the images and information displayed on the Lesson Presentation , demonstrate that when two straight lines intersect, four angles are created. Explain that the pairs of angles which are opposite each other are congruent (equal) and known as vertically opposite angles.	
	Missing Angles: As a class, work through the examples shown on the Lesson Presentation which demonstrate how we can use vertically opposite angles to answer missing angle questions.	
	Vertically Opposite Missing Angles: Children complete the differentiated Vertically Opposite Angles Activity Sheets to demonstrate that they can find vertically opposite missing angles. <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Find missing angles using vertically opposite angles (to the nearest 10°).</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Find missing angles using vertically opposite angles (to the nearest 5°).</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> <p>Find missing angles using vertically opposite angles (to the nearest 1°). An Extra Challenge Activity Sheet is provided as an extension activity if required.</p> </div> </div>	
	Diving into Mastery: Schools using a mastery approach may prefer to use the following as an alternative activity. These sheets might not necessarily be used in a linear way. Some children might begin at the 'Deeper' section and in fact, others may 'dive straight in' to the 'Deepest' section if they have already mastered the skill and are applying this to show their depth of understanding. <div style="display: flex; flex-direction: column; gap: 10px;"> <div> <p>Children complete fluency problems which involve finding and calculating vertically opposite angles.</p> </div> <div> <p>Children explore answering reasoning problems which involve finding and calculating vertically opposite angles.</p> </div> <div> <p>Children use problem solving skills in order to answer an open-ended task that involves a greater depth of thinking when finding and calculating with vertically opposite angles.</p> </div> </div>	
	Angle Challenge: An image is shown on the Lesson Presentation which has many angles around a point. Some of these angles are labelled, and the children use their understanding of angles around a point, on a straight line and vertically opposite to calculate the missing angles. Children may use the Angle Challenge Resource Sheet if required.	

Explore it

2D Shape it: Explore concave and convex 2D shapes and their angles.

Debate it: Hold a class debate discussing why we need to learn about angles and how we use them in our everyday lives.

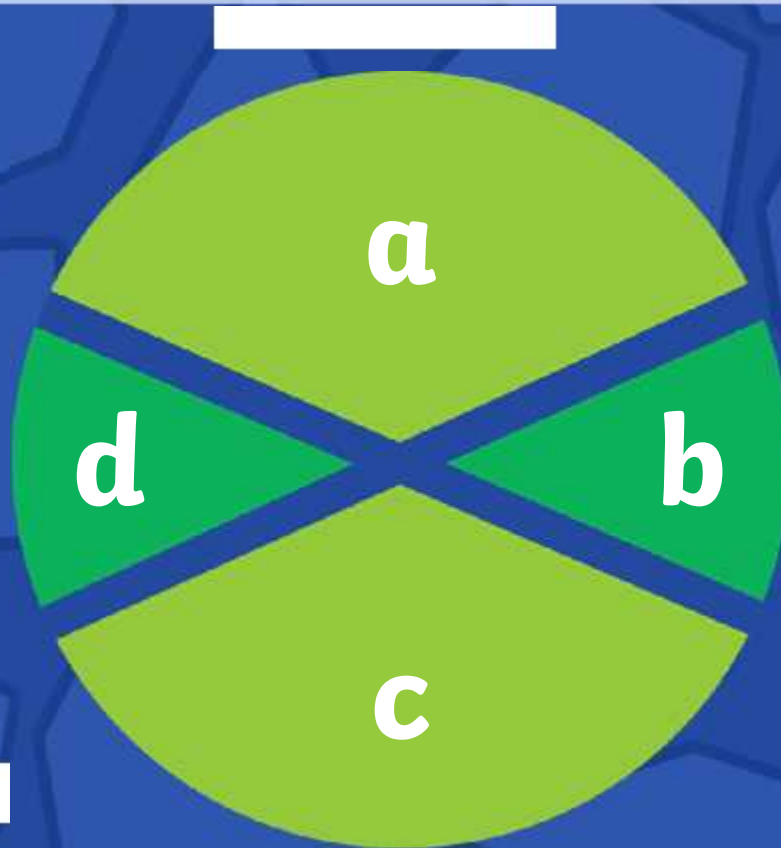
Treasure Map it: Create a class treasure map and write directions using angles to locate the treasure.



Maths

Properties of Shapes

Vertically Opposite Angles



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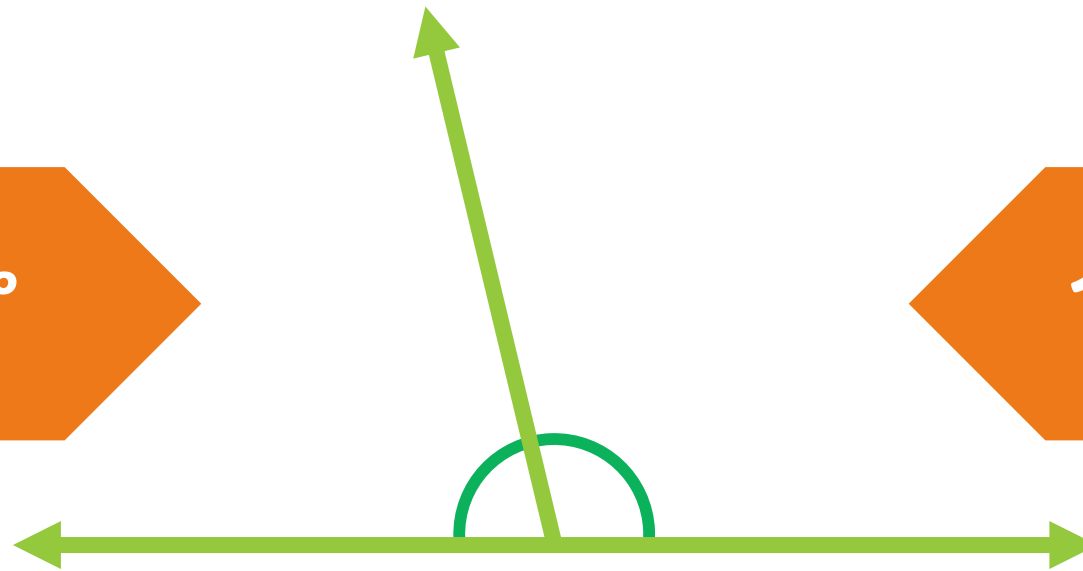
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Estimate in degrees the sizes of these angles:



80°

100°



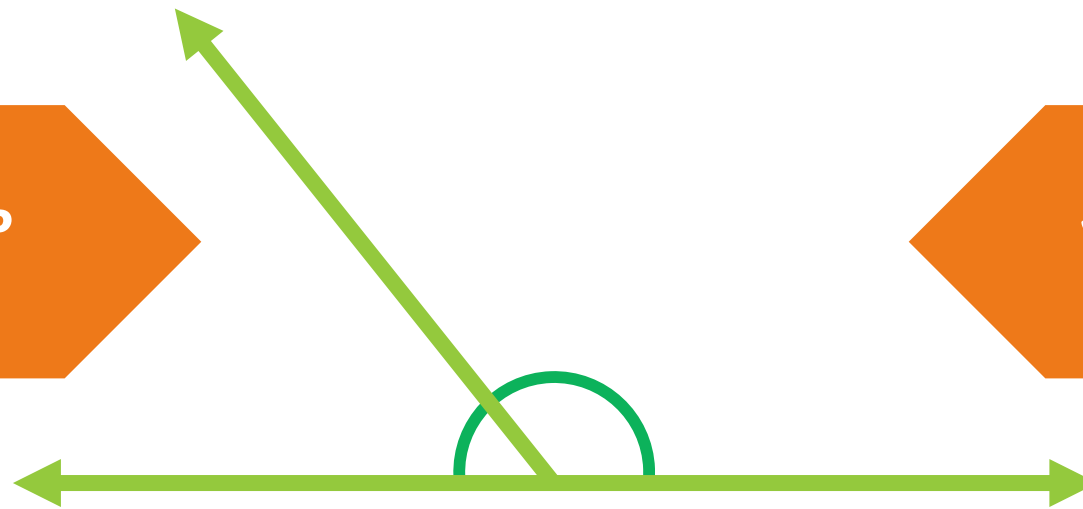
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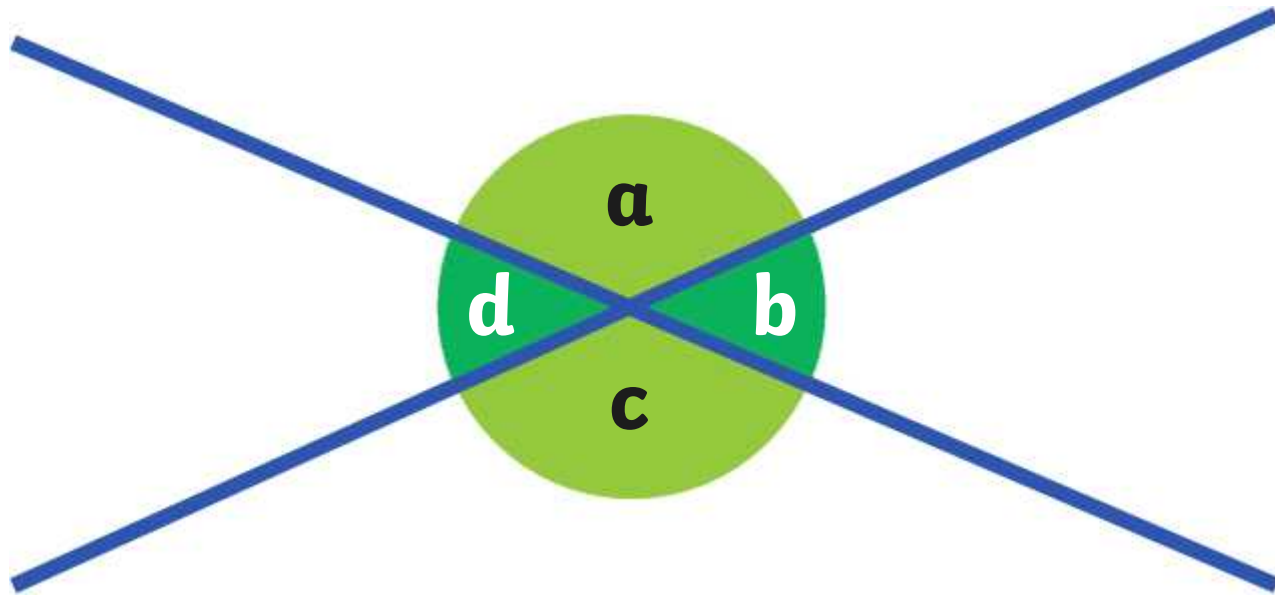
45°

135°



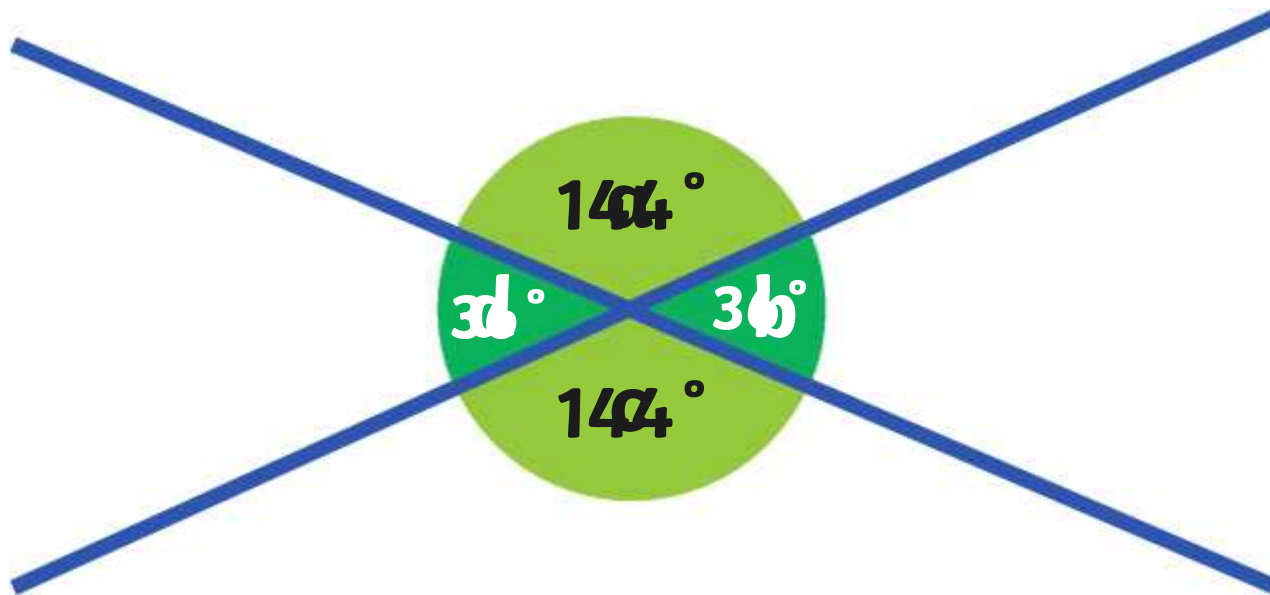
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When two straight lines intersect (cross each other), four angles are created around a point which total 360° .



Vertically Opposite Angles

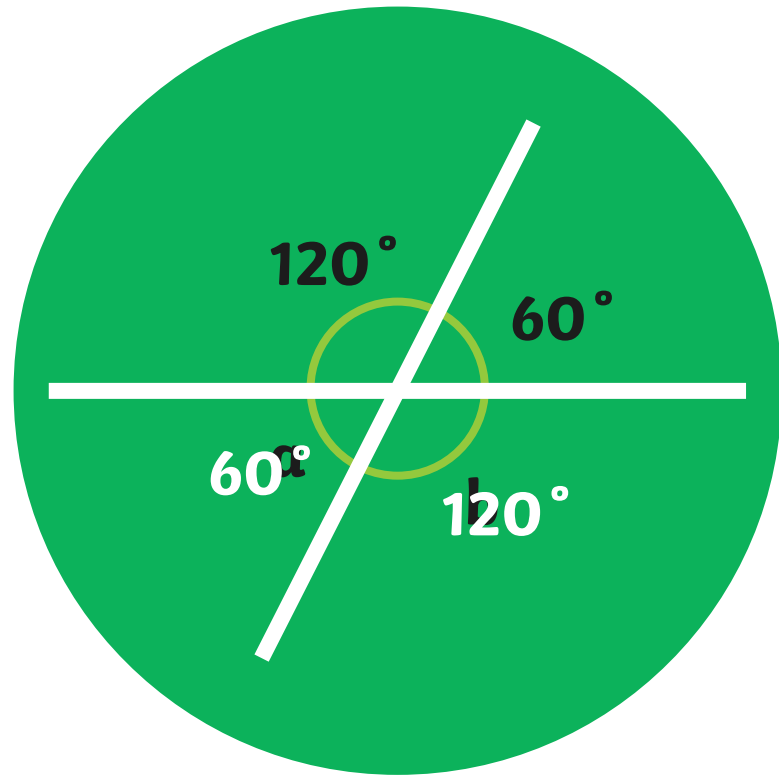
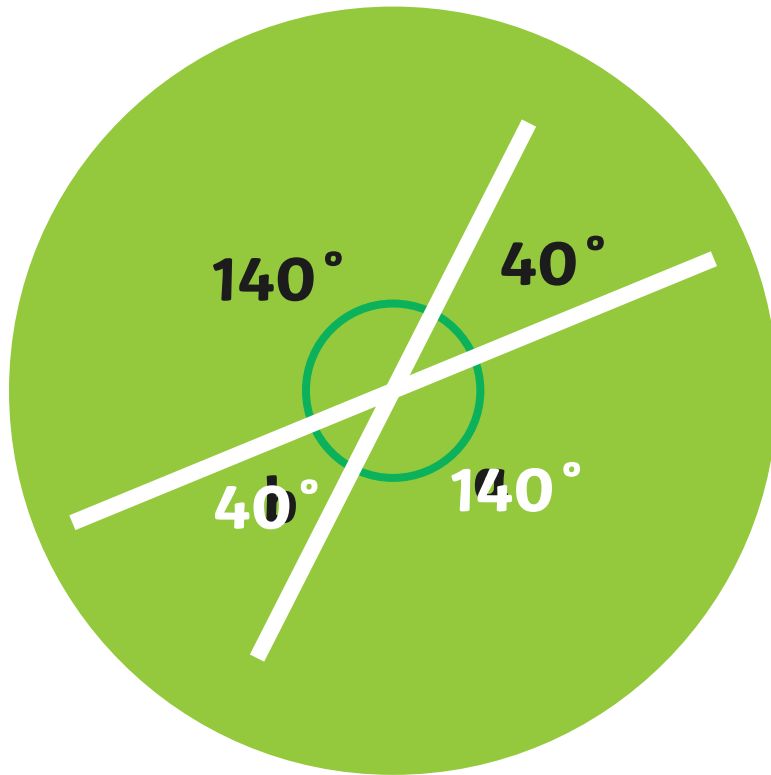
The pairs of angles that are opposite each other measure the same number of degrees and are equal (congruent).



These pairs of angles are called **vertically opposite angles**.

Missing Angles

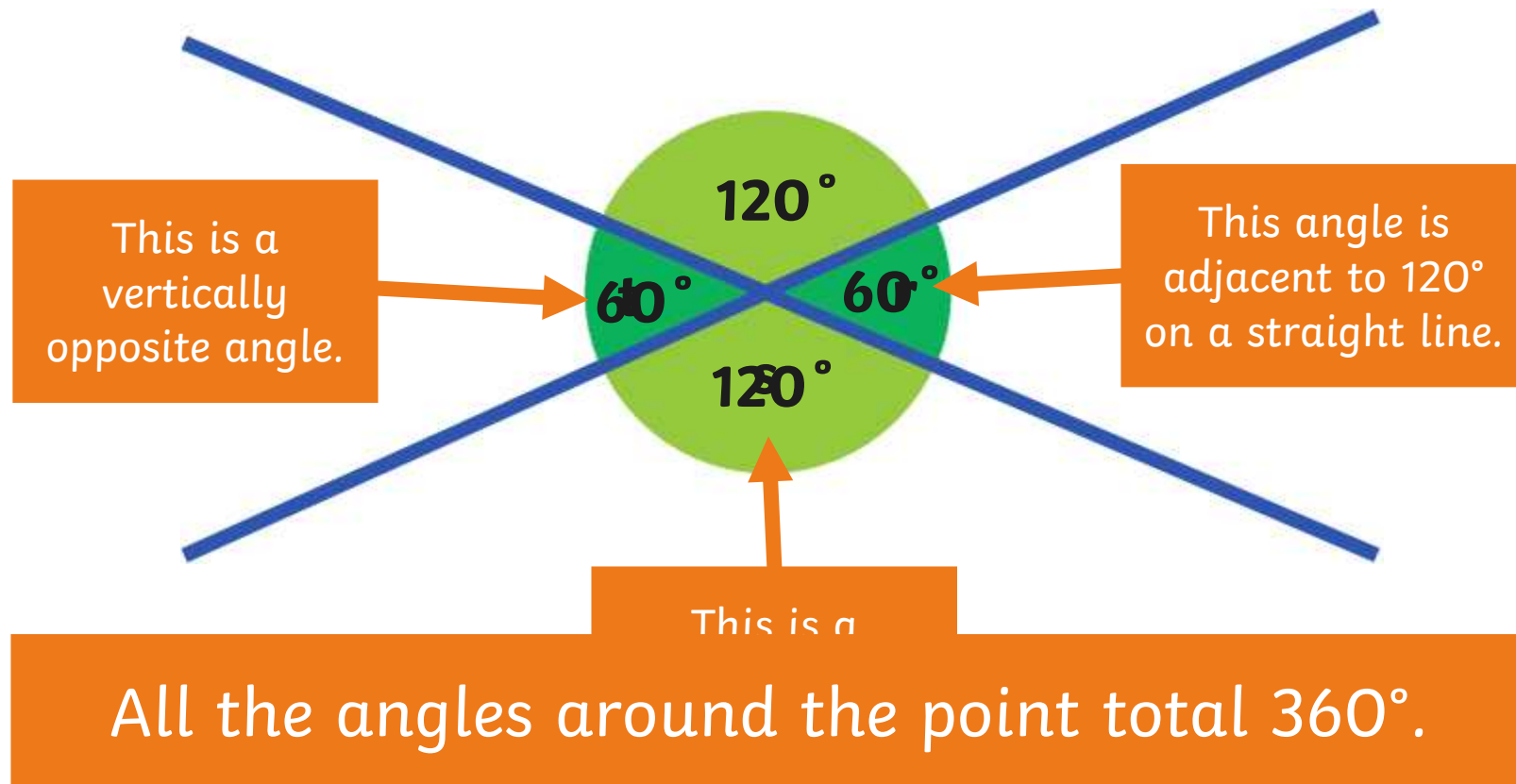
Identify these missing angles using vertically opposite angle facts:



Have you noticed that adjacent angles are on a straight line and total 180° ?

Missing Angles

Calculate the missing angles using known angle facts:



Vertically Opposite Missing Angles



★ Vertically Opposite Angle

Find the unknown angles and write them in the boxes.

Write your answers in the boxes.

1. $a = \dots$ $a = \dots$

2. $a = \dots$ $a = \dots$

3. $a = \dots$ $a = \dots$

4. $a = \dots$ $a = \dots$

★★ Vertically Opposite Angles

Find the unknown angles which are vertically opposite.

Color the matching angles.

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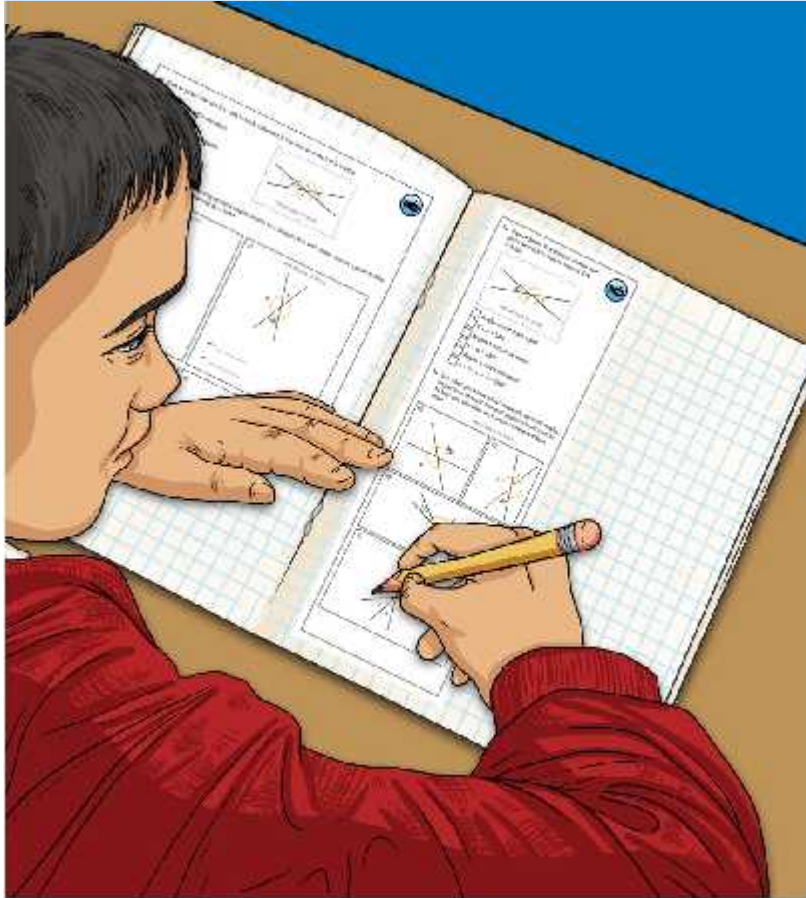
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Diving into Mastery

Dive in by completing your own activity!



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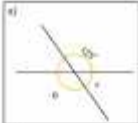
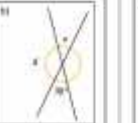




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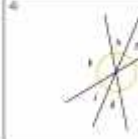

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 $a + b + c + d = 360^\circ$

2) Use what you know about vertically opposite angles, angles on a straight line and angles around a point to fully calculate each angle represented by a letter.


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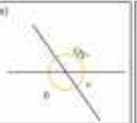
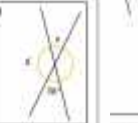




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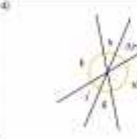

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Use angles around a point to help

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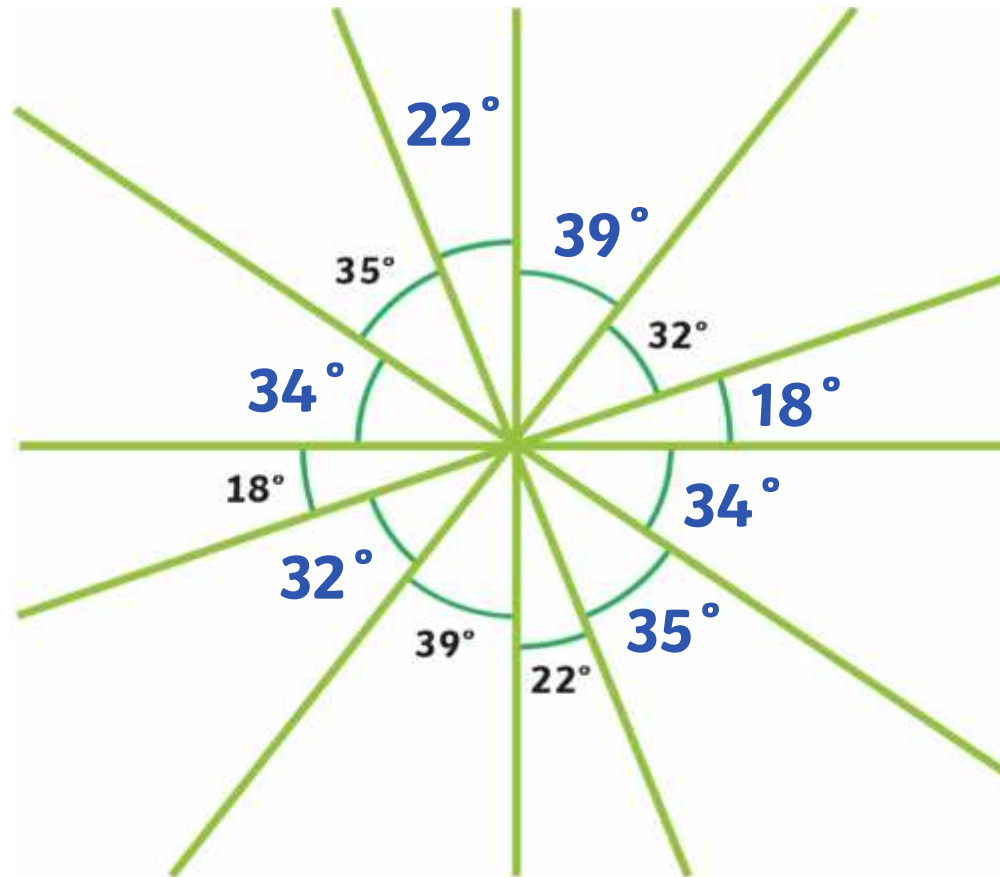
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Angle Challenge



Label and calculate the missing angles.



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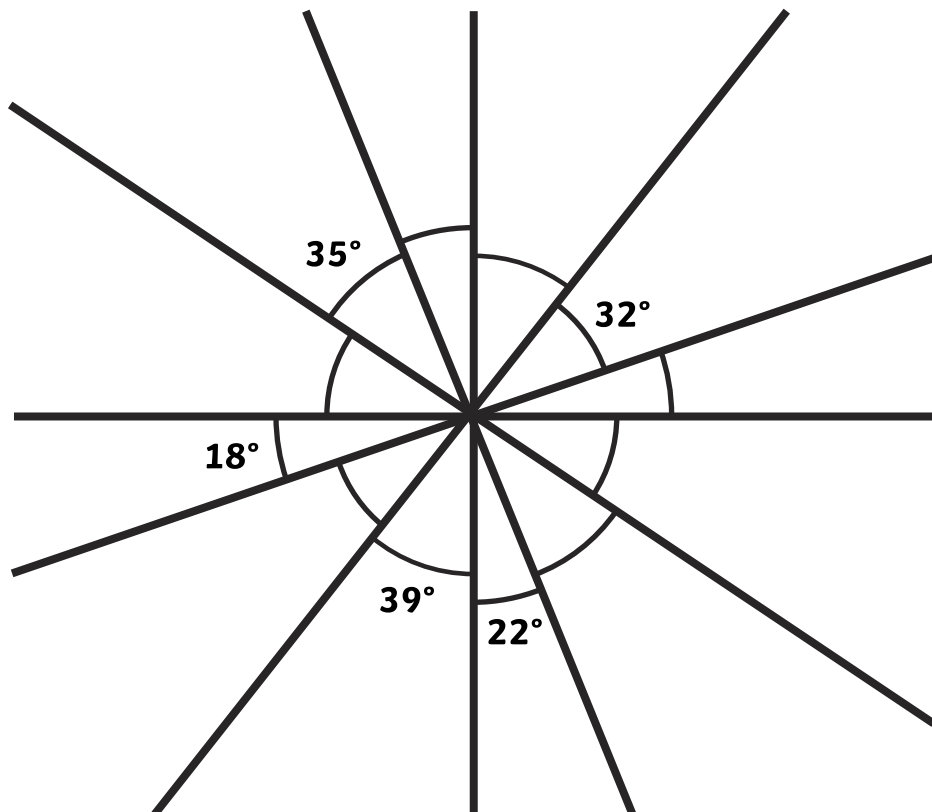
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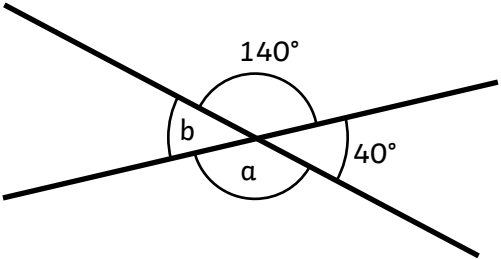
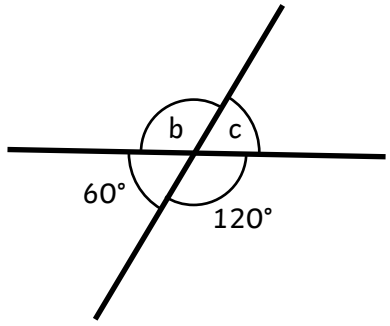
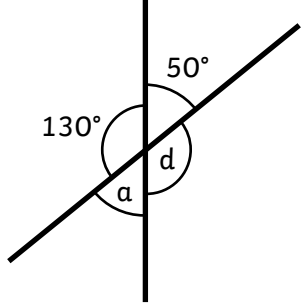
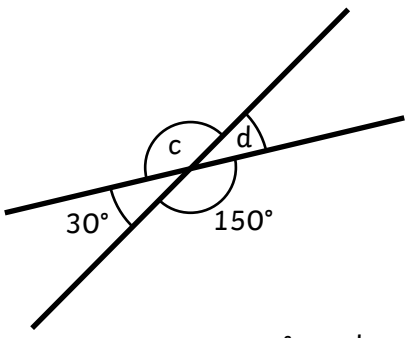
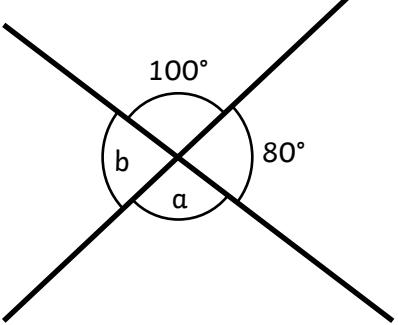
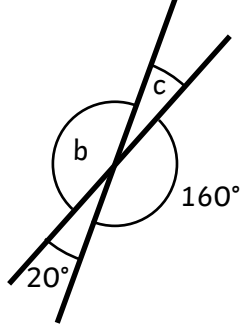
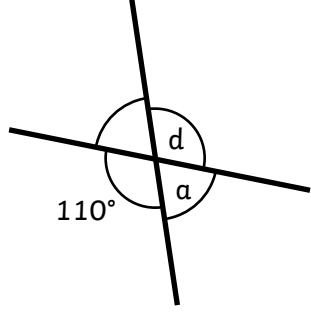
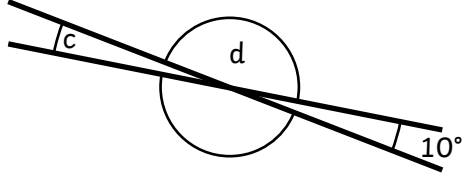


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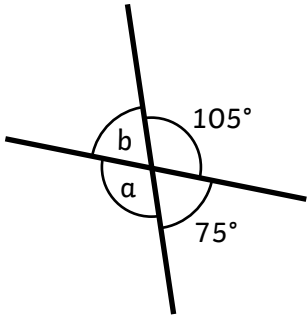
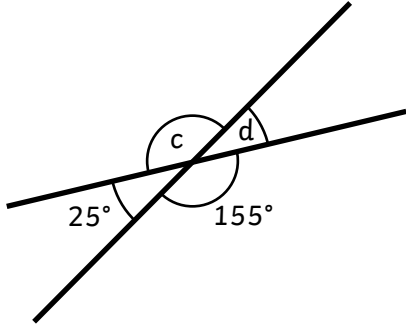
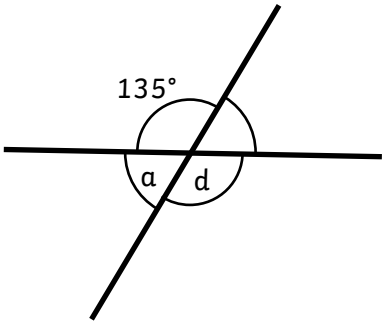
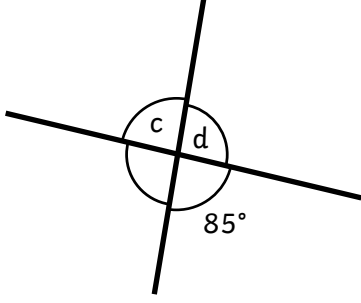
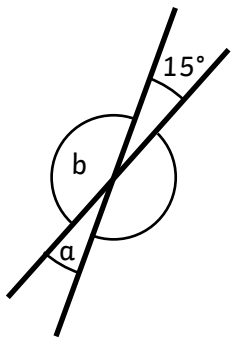
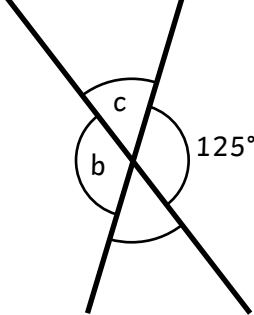
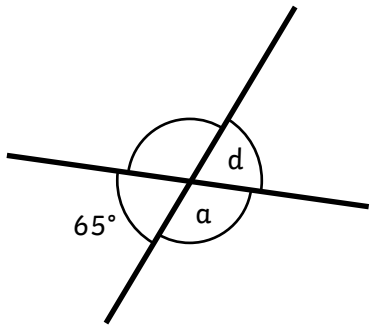
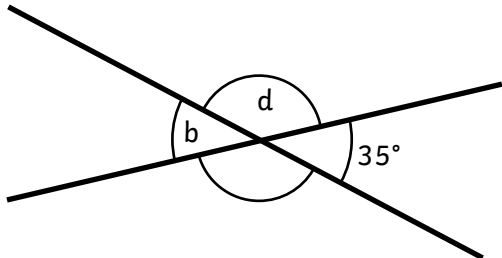


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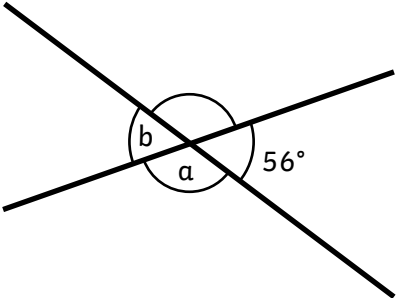
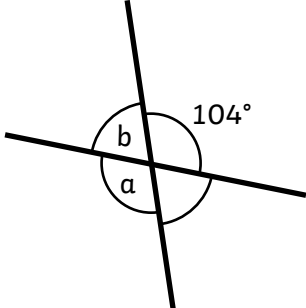
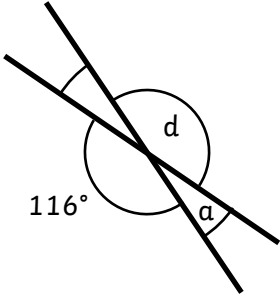
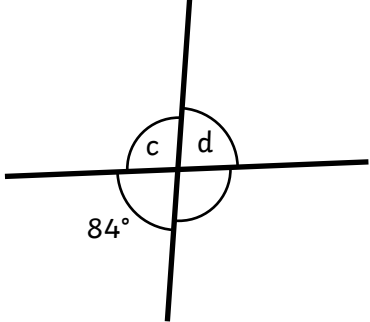
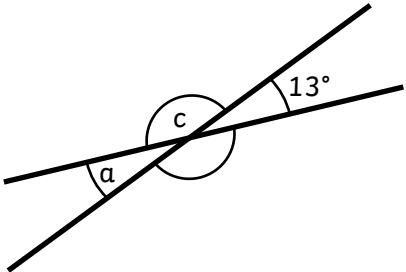
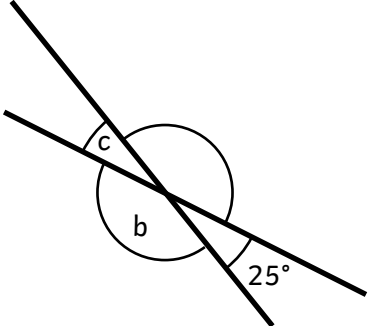
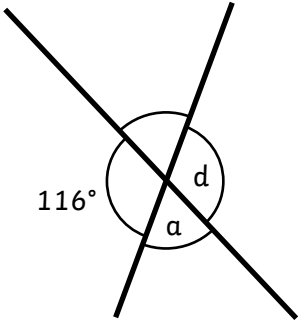
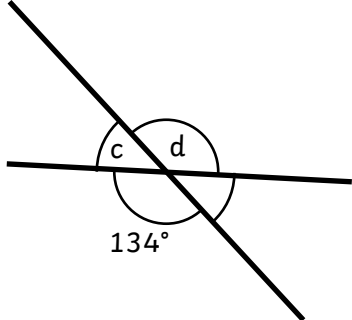


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Answers

★		Question	Answer	Question	Answer
1.	a = 140°	b = 40°	5.	a = 100°	b = 80°
2.	b = 120°	c = 60°	6.	b = 160°	c = 20°
3.	a = 50°	d = 130°	7.	a = 70°	d = 110°
4.	c = 150°	d = 30°	8.	c = 10°	d = 170°

★★		Question	Answer	Question	Answer
1.	a = 105°	b = 75°	5.	a = 15°	b = 165°
2.	b = 25°	c = 155°	6.	b = 125°	c = 55°
3.	a = 45°	d = 135°	7.	a = 115°	d = 65°
4.	c = 85°	d = 95°	8.	b = 35°	d = 145°

★★★		Question	Answer	Question	Answer
1.	a = 124°	b = 56°	5.	a = 13°	b = 167°
2.	a = 104°	b = 76°	6.	b = 155°	c = 25°
3.	a = 64°	d = 116°	7.	a = 64°	d = 116°
4.	c = 96°	d = 84°	8.	c = 46°	d = 134°



- 1) False
True
True
False
True
True
- 2) a) angle $b = 125^\circ$
angle $c = 55^\circ$
b) angle $d = 142^\circ$
angle $e = 38^\circ$
c) angle $f = 158^\circ$
d) angle $g = 40^\circ$
angle $h = 40^\circ$
angle $j = 37^\circ$
angle $k = 103^\circ$



- 1) $p = 42^\circ$
 $x = 48^\circ$
 $z = 138^\circ$
- 2) Mia's strategy would not work. Angles a and d are equal as they are opposite angles. She could work out angle e as $e + a = 180^\circ$, however her method would still leave angles b and c unknown.

Surinder's strategy would work. By revealing angle d , he would be able to calculate the value of angle e as angles $d + e = 180^\circ$. By revealing angle d , he would also know the value of the equal, opposite angle a . If he then knows angle c , he would be able to calculate the value of the only remaining angle, angle b .

- 3) Dara is incorrect. Angle z is not actually vertically opposite the 84° angle so this strategy will not work.

Conor is correct. By adding the 90° angle and the 42° together and then subtracting the result from 180° , we find that angle z measures 48° .



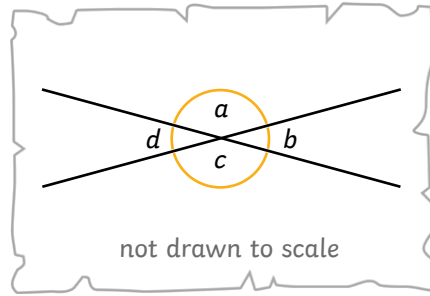
- 1) angle $x = 51^\circ$
angle $y = 39^\circ$
angle $z = 95^\circ$
- 2) $a = 77^\circ$
 $b = 77^\circ$
 $c = 96^\circ$
 $d = 96^\circ$
 $e = 55^\circ$
 $f = 46^\circ$
 $g = 93^\circ$
- 3) a) The fewest number of angles that would need to be measured with a protractor would be two angles (either the angle between red and yellow or purple and yellow and the angle between black and purple or black and red). The others could then be calculated.

b) As there are four angles that make up a straight line, you would need to measure three angles. Once you know the three angles on a straight line, you could use the fact that opposite angles are the same to work out the rest of the angles around the point.



1) True or false? Tick the box next to each statement if it is true or cross it if it is false.

- Angles a and b are equal.
- $d + a = 180^\circ$
- Angles b and d are equal.
- $c + a = 180^\circ$
- Angles a and c are equal.
- $a + b + c + d = 360^\circ$



2) Use what you know about vertically opposite angles, angles on a straight line and angles around a point to help you calculate each angle represented by a letter.

a) not drawn to scale

$b =$ _____
 $c =$ _____

b) not drawn to scale

$d =$ _____
 $e =$ _____

c) not drawn to scale

$f =$ _____

d) not drawn to scale

$g =$ _____ $j =$ _____
 $h =$ _____ $k =$ _____

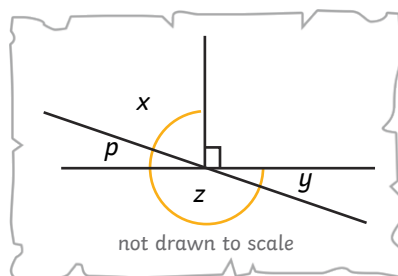


1) Angle y is 42° . Use this fact to work out all the remaining angles.

$p =$ _____

$x =$ _____

$z =$ _____



2) Mia and Surinder are given a challenge by their teacher.

One at a time, choose to reveal the size of one angle until you are able to calculate the value of all of the remaining angles in the diagram.

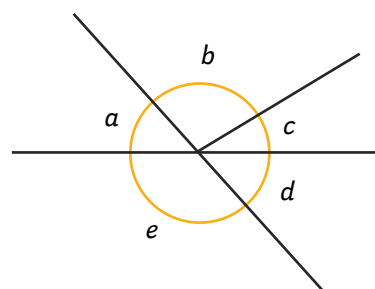


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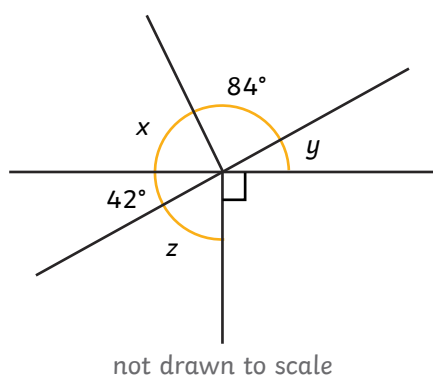
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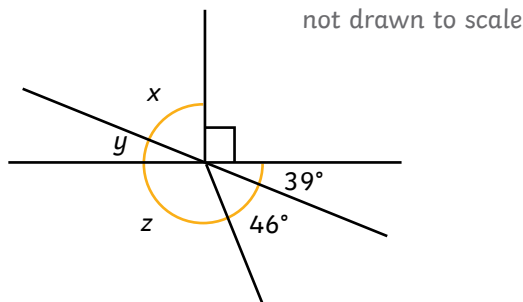


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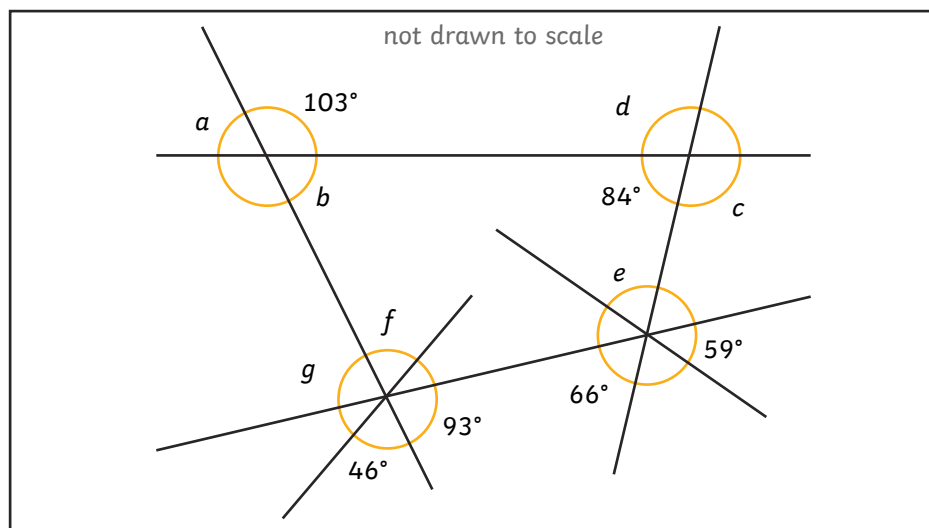
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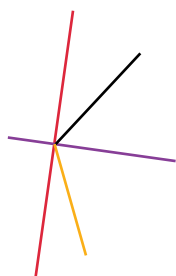
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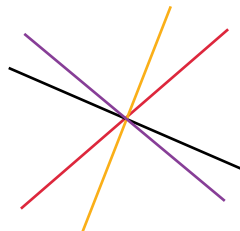
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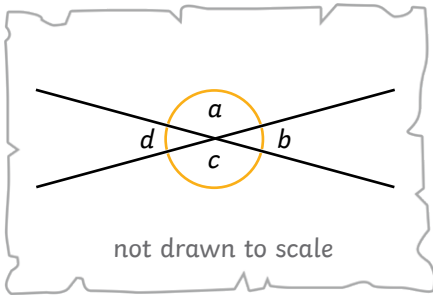
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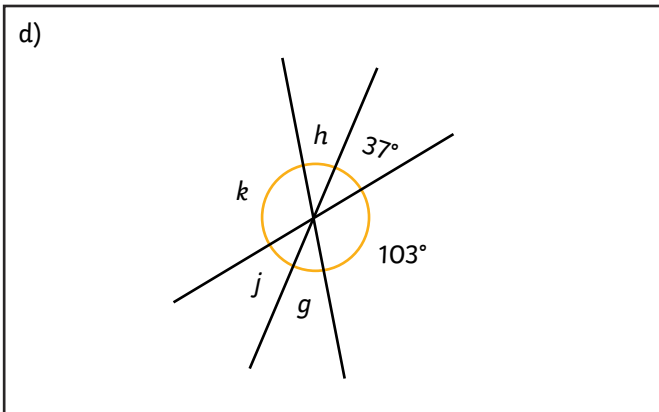
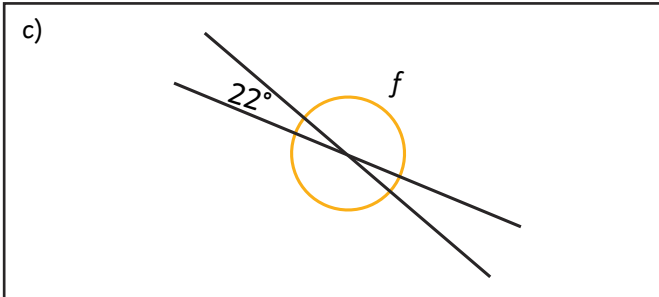
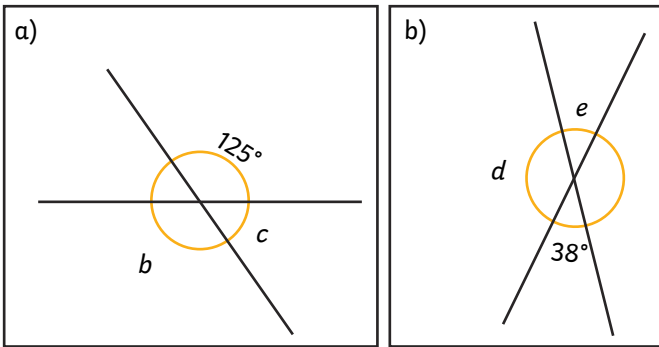
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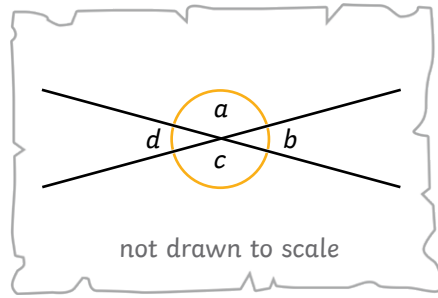
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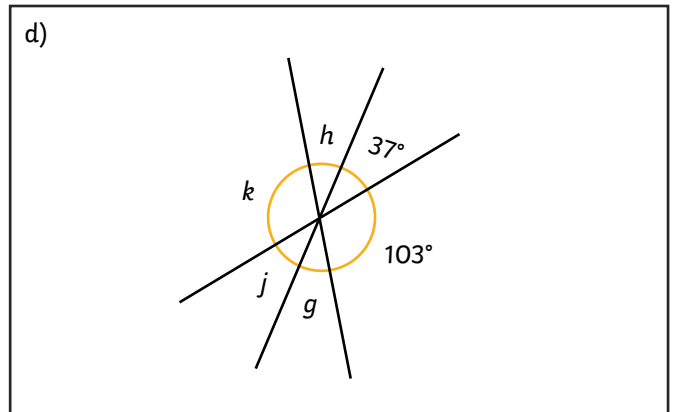
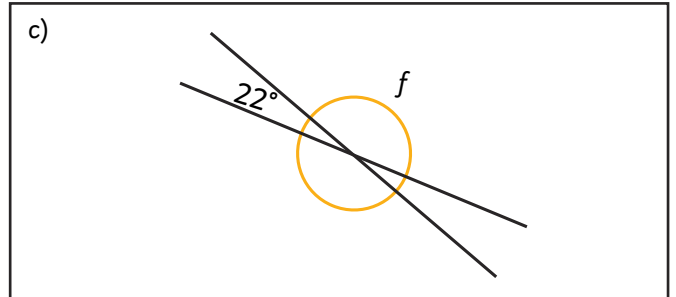
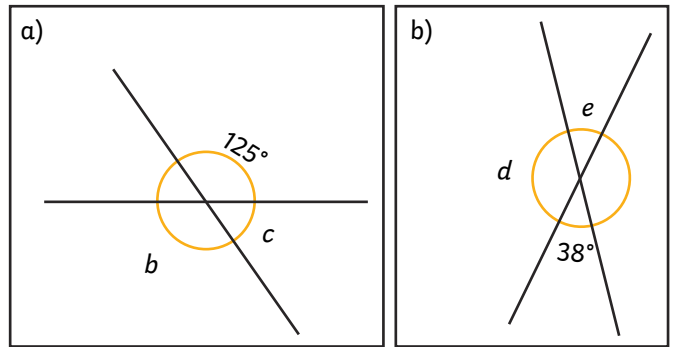
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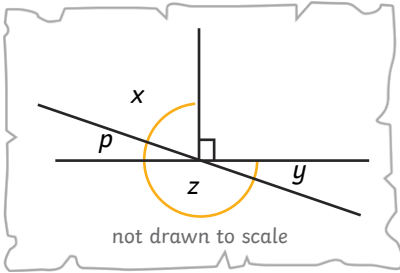
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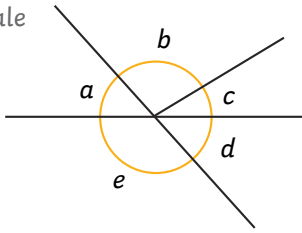
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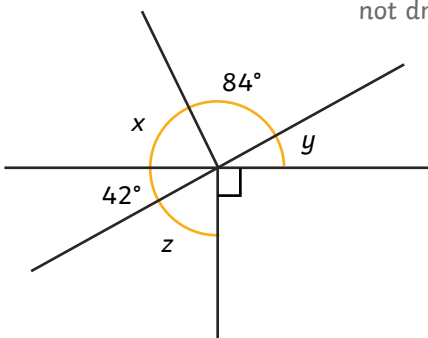


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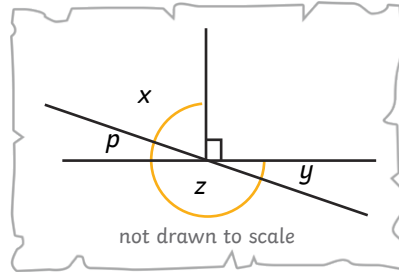


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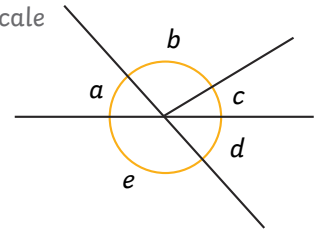
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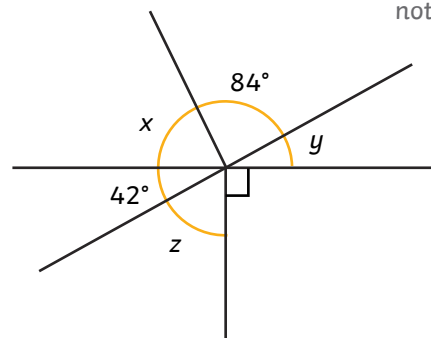


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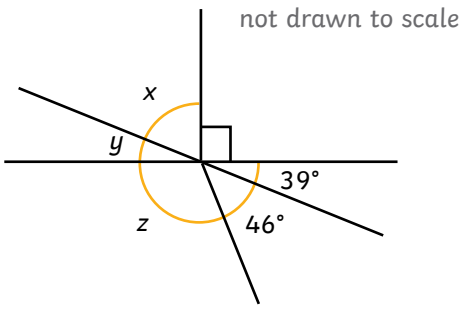


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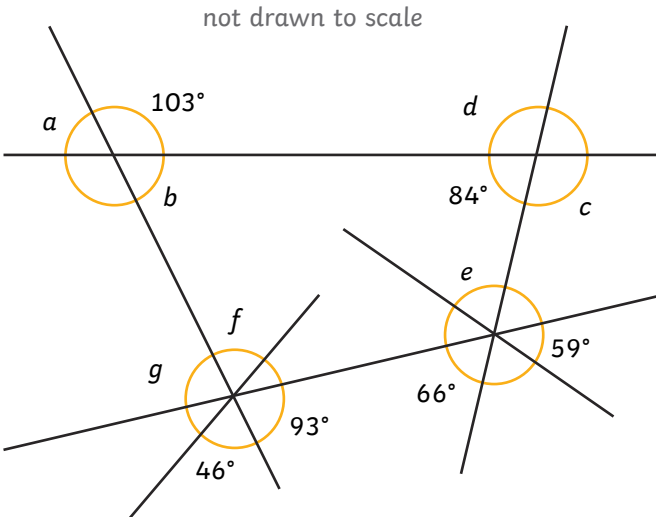


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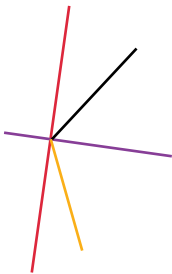


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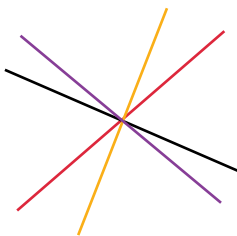


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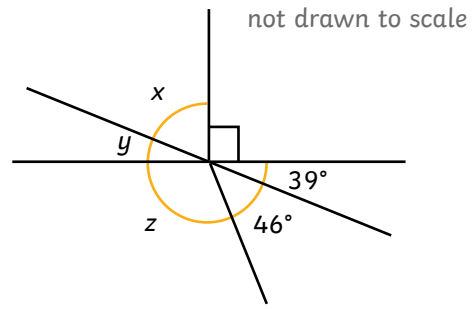


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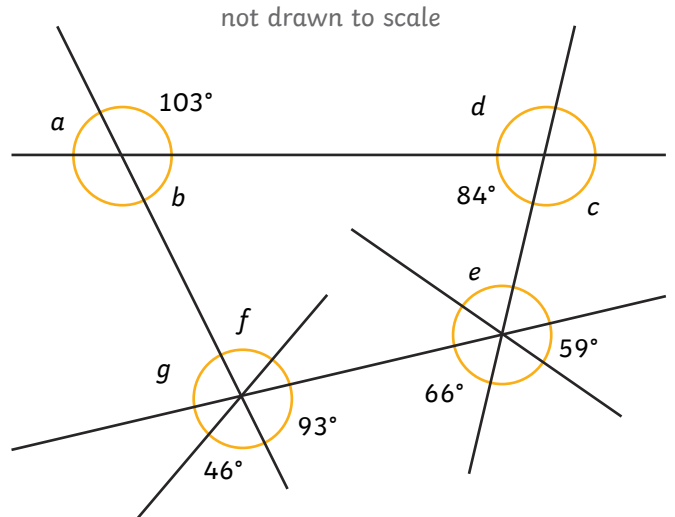


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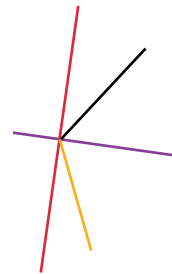


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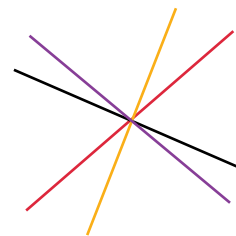


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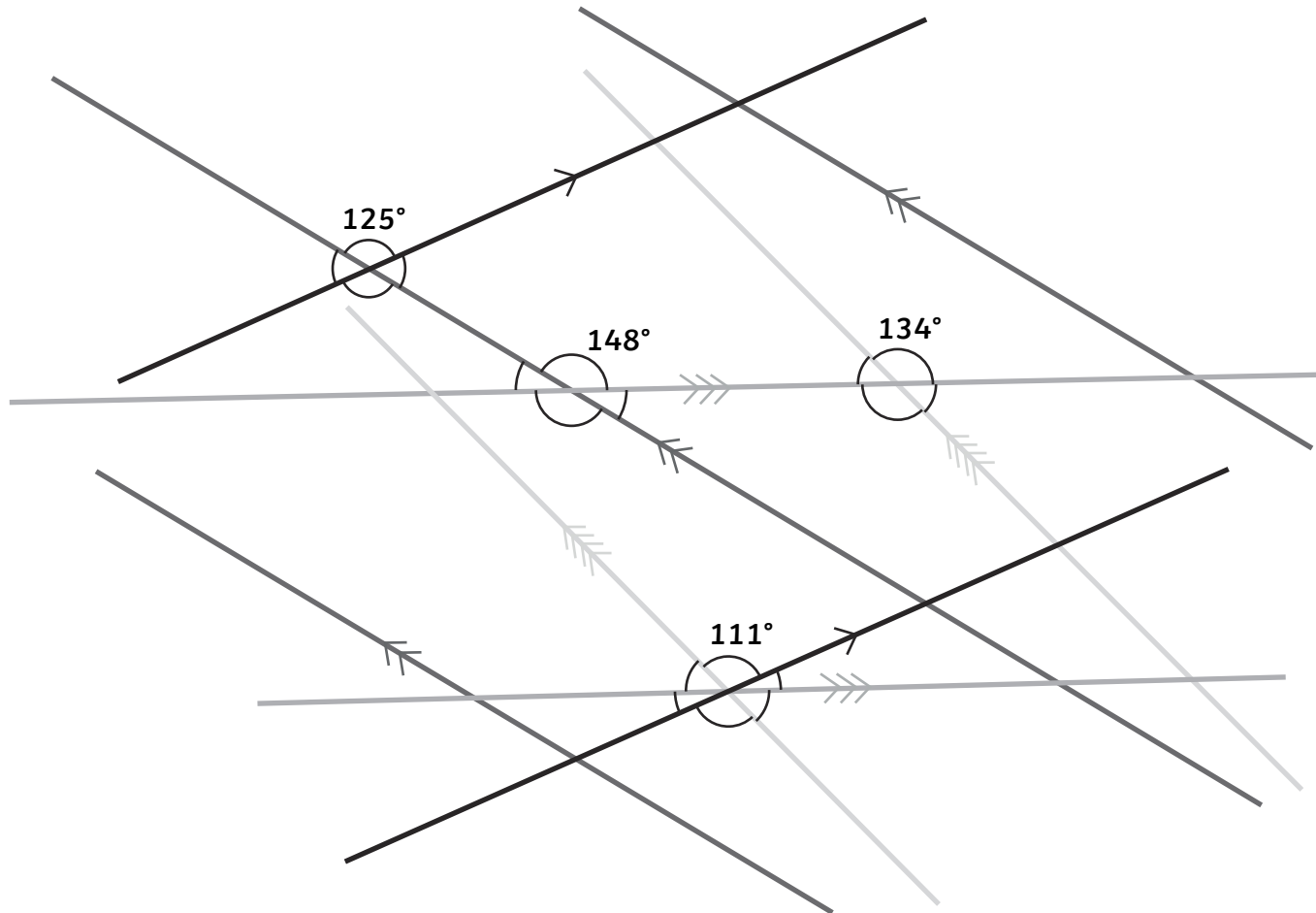
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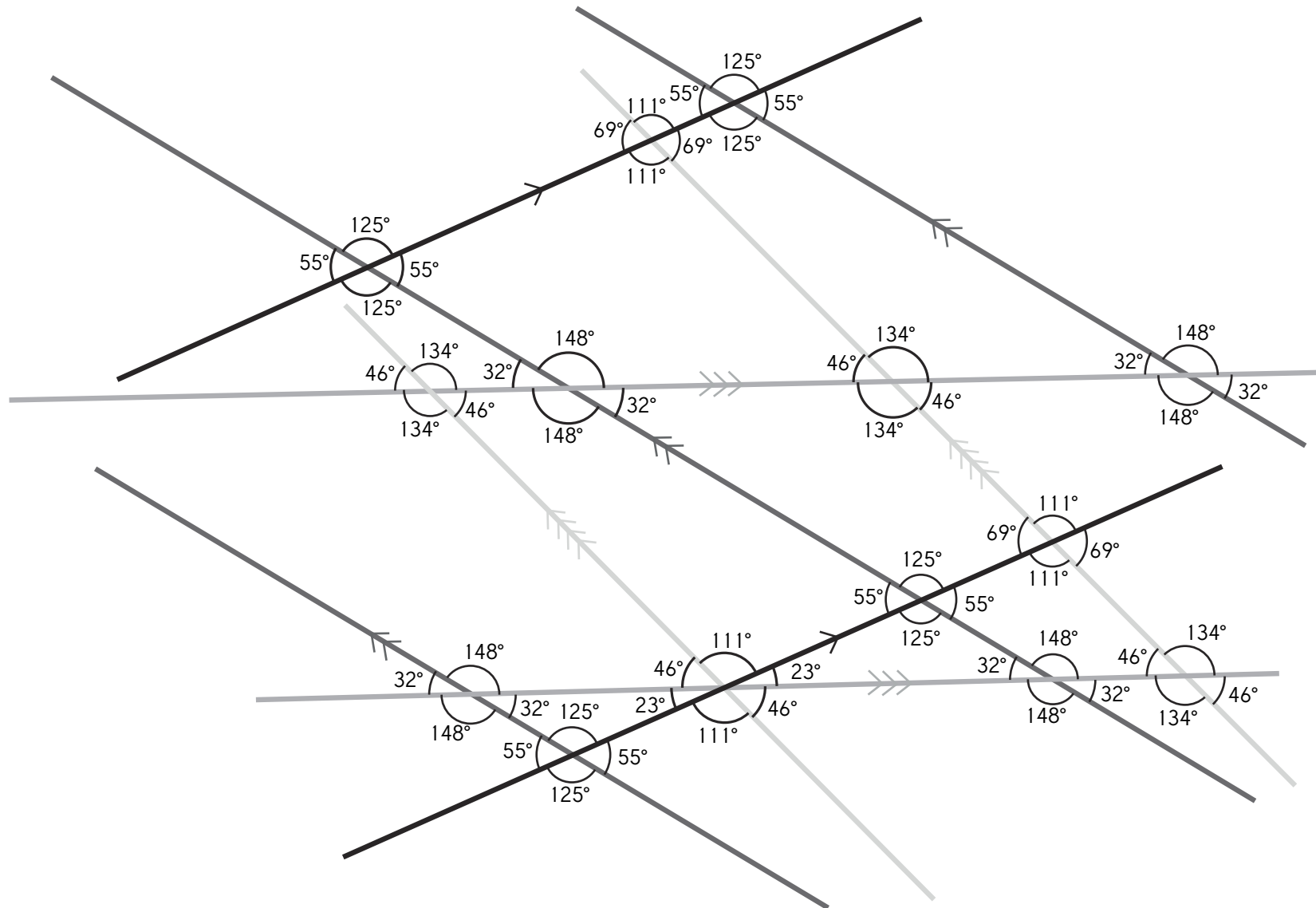


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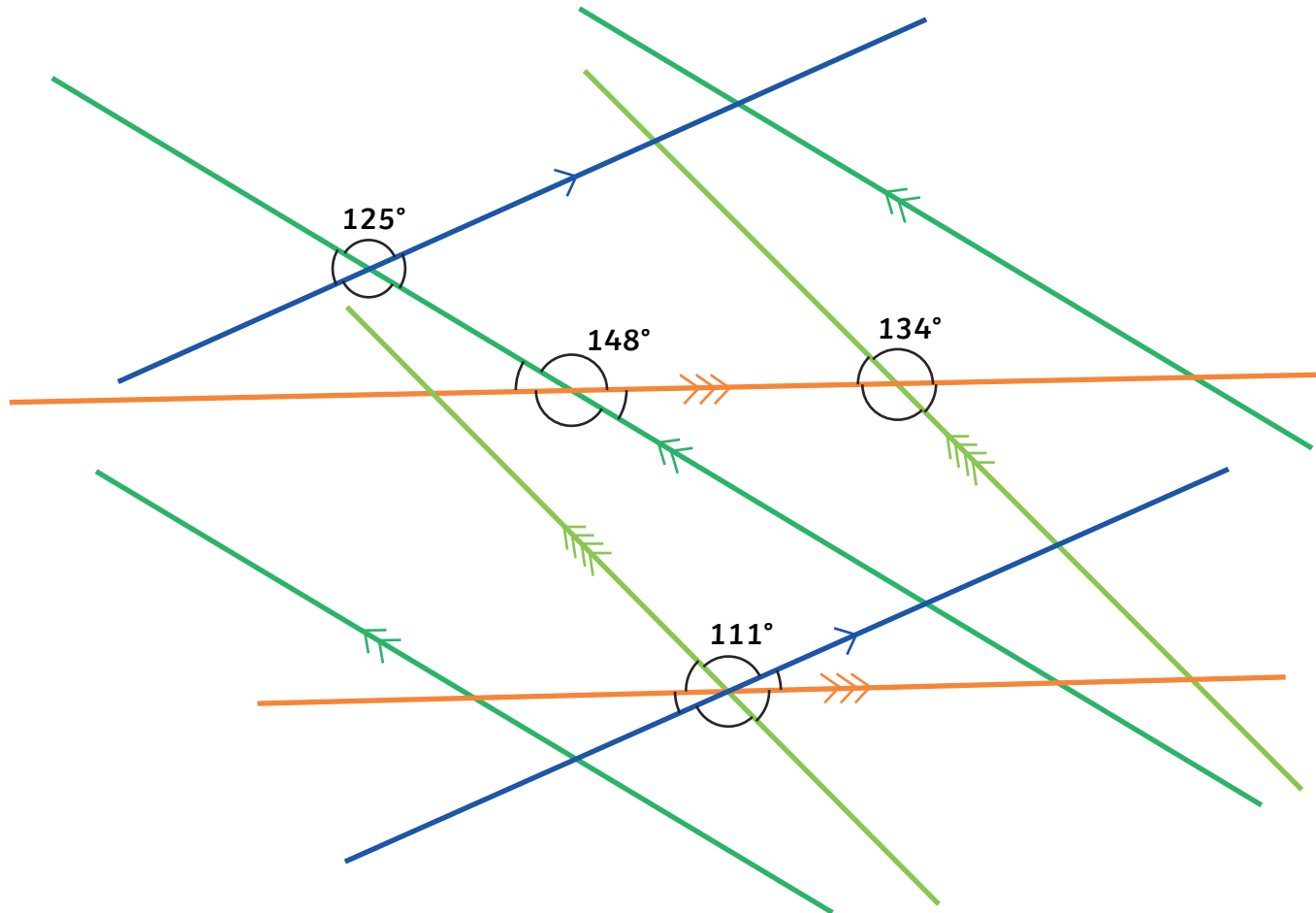


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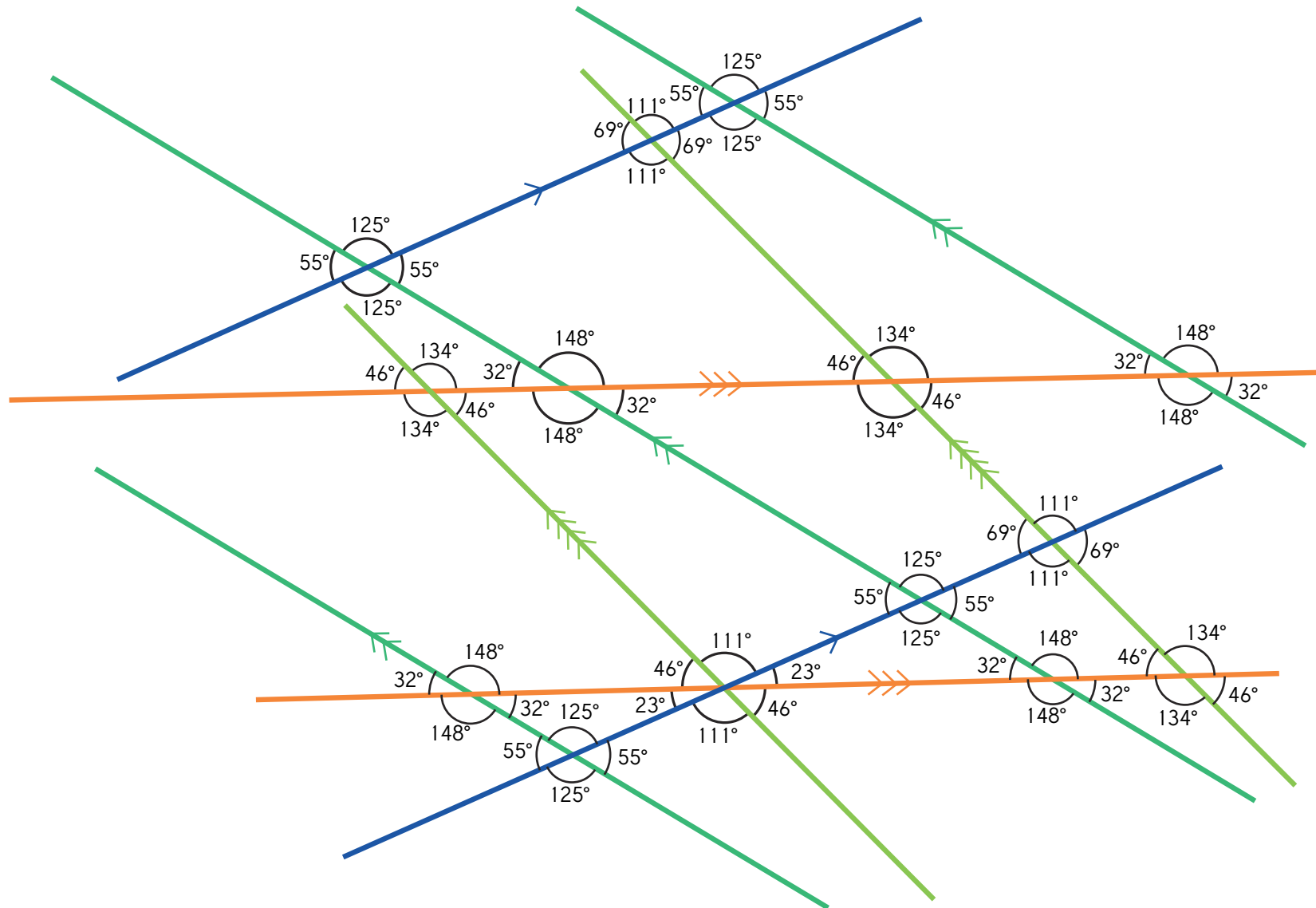


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