1. Complete the proof to the right.

Given: $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}, \overline{AD} \cong \overline{CB}$

Prove: $\angle BAD \cong \angle DCB$

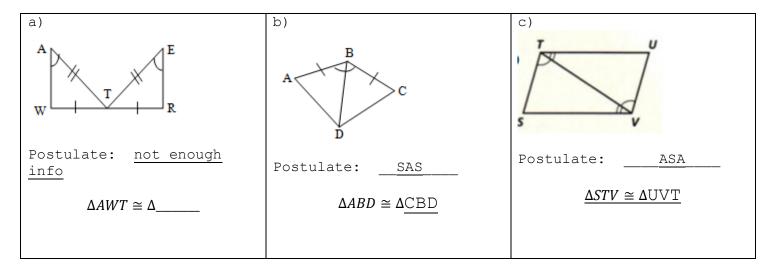
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Statement	Reason
$\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}$	Given
$\overline{AD} \cong \overline{CB}$	Given
$\overline{BD} \cong \overline{DB}$	Reflexive
$\Delta BAD \cong \Delta DCB$	SSS
$\Delta DAD \equiv \Delta DCD$	555

The first thing I did was to mark the given information on the shapes. This helped me realize that I had two of the three sides needed for SSS congruence. Then I realized that the shared side \overline{BD} was the third side needed to establish that the two triangles were congruent.

Once I had established the congruence of the triangles, I used that to prove the corresponding angles - < BAD and < DCB were congruent.

2. State the postulate, if any, that show the two triangles below are congruent. If we can justify they are congruent finish the congruence statement.

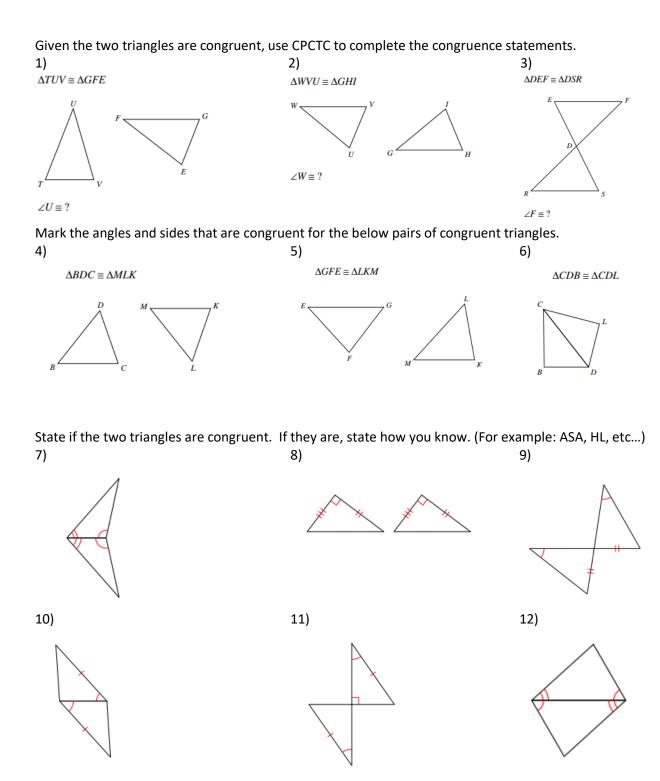


a) I realized that what was given was Side-Side-Angle which is not one of the five triangle congruence postulates. I checked to see if the triangles were right triangles so that I could use Hypotenuse-Leg congruence, but they were not marked as such, so I concluded there was not enough information.

b) I was given a side and an angle that were congruent so I looked for either another side or another angle that might be congruent. That is when I realized triangle ABD shared a side, \overline{BD} , with triangle CBD. With the shared side being congruent, I was able to establish triangle congruence with Side-Angle-Side.

c) I was given that two angles were congruent so I realized I might use Angle-Angle-Side or Angle-Side-Angle. Either way I needed to find a congruent side. Again here I saw that the triangles shared a side so that gave me the third piece I needed. In this case the congruent side, \overline{VT} , was located between the two given congruent angles so Angle-Side-Angle was the congruence postulate that applied.

Additional Practice on back------→



State what additional information is required to prove the triangles are congruent with the theorem given.

