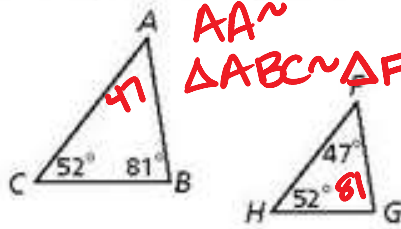
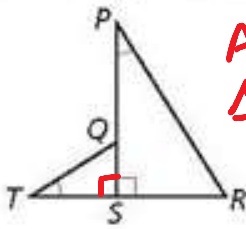


Explain why the triangles are similar and write a similarity statement.

1.   $AA^\sim$   
 $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle FGH$

2.   $AA^\sim$   
 $\triangle TSQ \sim \triangle PSR$

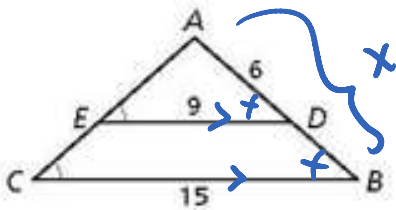
Verify that the triangles are similar.

3.  $\triangle DEF$  and  $\triangle JKL$   
 $\frac{DE}{KJ} = \frac{8}{16} = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $\frac{DF}{JL} = \frac{6}{12} = \frac{1}{2}$   
 $\frac{EF}{KL} = \frac{10}{20} = \frac{1}{2}$   
 yes, SSS $^\sim$   
 $\frac{DE}{KJ} = \frac{DF}{JL} = \frac{EF}{KL}$

4.  $\triangle MNP$  and  $\triangle MRQ$   
 yes, SAS $^\sim$   
 $\frac{MN}{MR} = \frac{4}{6} = \frac{2}{3}$   
 $\frac{MP}{MQ} = \frac{8}{12} = \frac{2}{3}$   
 $\angle NMP \cong \angle RMQ$

**Multi-Step** Explain why the triangles are similar and then find each length.

5. AB



$\triangle AED \sim \triangle ACB$  by  $AA^\sim$

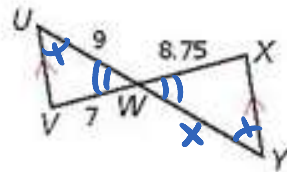
$$\frac{9}{15} = \frac{6}{x}$$

$$3x = 30$$

$$x = 10$$

**AB = 10**

6. WY



$\triangle UVW \sim \triangle YWX$  by  $AA^\sim$

$$\frac{7}{8.75} = \frac{9}{x}$$

$$7x = 78.75$$

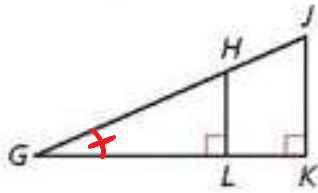
$$x = 11.25$$

**WY = 11.25**

# PRACTICE AND PROBLEM SOLVING

Explain why the triangles are similar and write a similarity statement.

11.

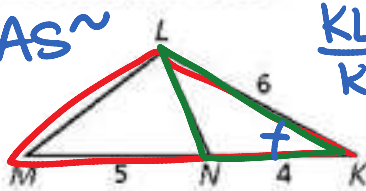


$\triangle HGL \sim \triangle JGK$  by AA $\sim$

Verify that the given triangles are similar.

13.  $\triangle KLM$  and  $\triangle KNL$

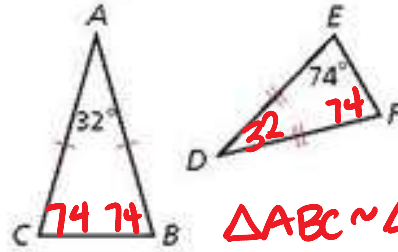
by SAS $\sim$



$$\frac{KL}{KN} = \frac{KM}{KL}$$

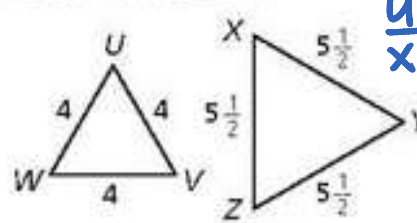
$$\frac{2/3}{2/3} = \frac{6}{6} \checkmark$$

12.



$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$   
by SAS $\sim$  (or AA $\sim$ )

14.  $\triangle UVW$  and  $\triangle XYZ$  SSS $\sim$



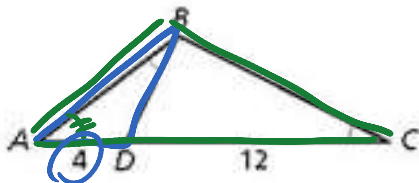
$$\frac{UV}{XY} = \frac{VW}{YZ} = \frac{UW}{XZ}$$

$$\frac{4}{5.5} = \frac{4}{5.5} = \frac{4}{5.5}$$

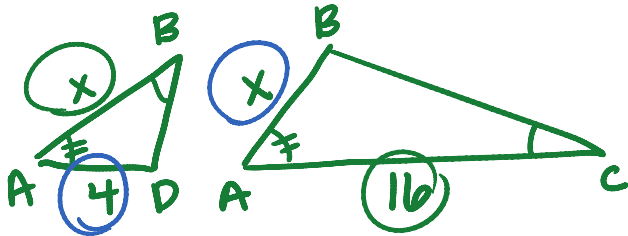
$$\frac{8}{11} = \frac{8}{11} = \frac{8}{11} \checkmark$$

**Multi-Step** Explain why the triangles are similar and then find each length.

15. AB



$\triangle ABD \sim \triangle ACB$  by AA $\sim$



$$\frac{x}{16} = \frac{4}{x}$$

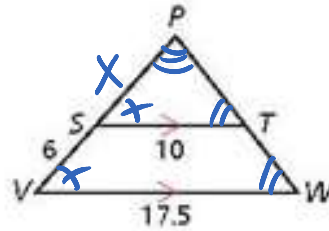
$$x^2 = 64$$

$$x = \pm 8$$

$$\boxed{AB = 8}$$

16. PS

$\triangle PST \sim \triangle PVW$  by AA $\sim$



$$\frac{x}{10} = \frac{x+6}{17.5}$$

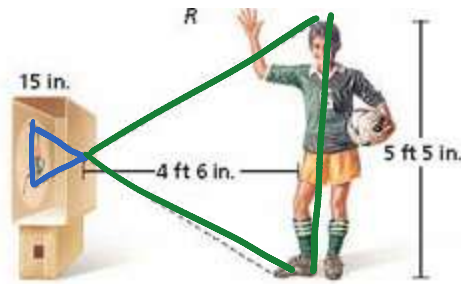
$$17.5x = 10x + 60$$

$$7.5x = 60$$

$$x = 8$$

$$\boxed{PS = 8}$$

19. **Photography** The picture shows a person taking a pinhole photograph of himself. Light entering the opening reflects his image on the wall, forming similar triangles. What is the height of the image to the nearest tenth of a foot?



$$\frac{15 \text{ in}}{54} = \frac{x}{65}$$

$$54x = 975$$

$$x = \frac{975}{54}$$

$$\approx 18.05 \text{ in}$$

$$\frac{18.05}{12}$$

$$\approx 1.5 \text{ ft}$$

26. **Critical Thinking**  $\triangle ABC$  is not similar to  $\triangle DEF$ , and  $\triangle DEF$  is not similar to  $\triangle XYZ$ . Could  $\triangle ABC$  be similar to  $\triangle XYZ$ ? Why or why not? Make a sketch to support your answer.

Yes, if corr  $\sphericalangle$ 's are  $\cong$   
and corr sides are  
proportional.

$$\triangle ABC \sim \triangle XYZ$$

