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LESSON #2: MIDPOINT FORMULA

Do Now:

WHAT IS THE DISTANCE FORMULA?

$$d = \sqrt{(x_2 - x_1)^2 + (y_2 - y_1)^2}$$

The vertices of a quadrilateral are  $A(0, -2)$ ,  $B(5, -2)$ ,  $C(8, 2)$ ,  $D(3, 2)$ . Prove that the quadrilateral is a rhombus using the distance formula.

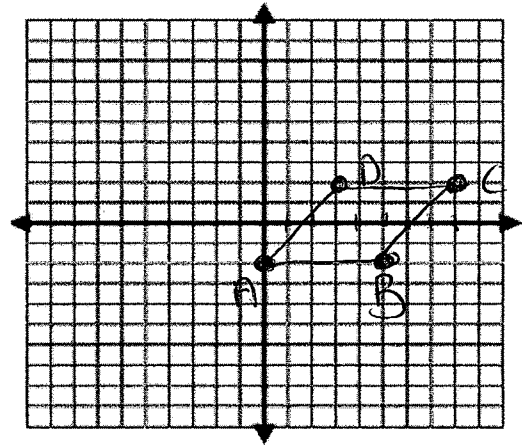
RHOMBUS  $\rightarrow$  4  $\approx$  sides

$$\overline{AB} = \sqrt{(-2 - -2)^2 + (5 - 0)^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$\overline{BC} = \sqrt{(2 - -2)^2 + (8 - 5)^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$\overline{CD} = \sqrt{(2 - 2)^2 + (3 - 8)^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

$$\overline{AD} = \sqrt{(2 - -2)^2 + (3 - 0)^2} = \sqrt{25} = 5$$



Quad ABCD is a rhombus b/c all sides are =

Given  $A(-4, 5)$  and  $B(12, 13)$ .

a) Draw right triangle  $\triangle ABC$  with right  $\angle C$  and hypotenuse  $\overline{AB}$ .

b) What are the lengths of  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{BC}$ ?

$$\overline{AC} = 16 \quad \overline{BC} = 8$$

c) Mark the halfway point of  $\overline{AC}$  and label it P. State the coordinates of P.

$$(4, 5)$$

d) Mark the halfway point on  $\overline{BC}$  and label it R. State the coordinates of R.

$$(12, 9)$$

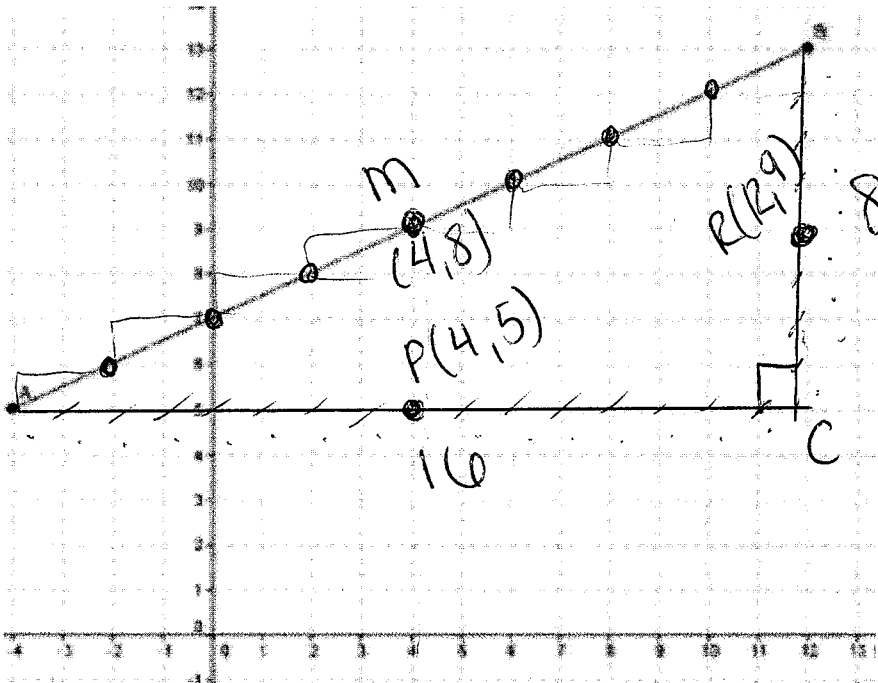
e) What is the slope of  $\overline{AB}$ ?

$$\frac{8}{16} = \left[ \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

f) Find the halfway point on  $\overline{AB}$  and label it M. State the coordinates of M.

$$(4, 8)$$

g) How can we find the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$  algebraically?



**SO LET'S TALK ABOUT MIDPOINTS!!**

What is a midpoint?

The middle of a line segment divides the segment directly in half

**Midpoint Formula:**  $\left( \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}, \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2} \right)$

Example #1:

Line segment  $\overline{AB}$  has endpoints  $A(1, 7)$  and  $B(5, 1)$ . What are the coordinates of the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$ ?

$$m = \left( \left( \frac{1+5}{2} \right), \left( \frac{7+1}{2} \right) \right)$$

$$m = (3, 4)$$

Example #2:

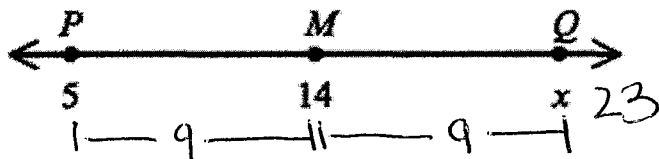
Line segment  $\overline{AB}$  has endpoints  $A(-2, 5)$  and  $B(8, 7)$ . What are the coordinates of the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$ ?

$$m = \left( \frac{-2+8}{2}, \frac{5+7}{2} \right)$$

$$m = (3, 6)$$

Example #3:

If  $M$  is the midpoint of  $\overline{PQ}$ , find the value of  $x$ .

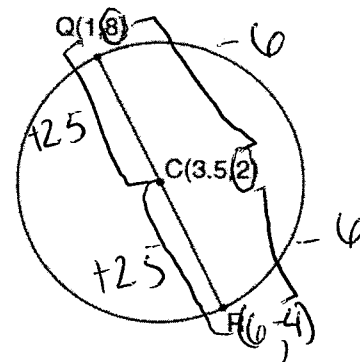


$$14 + 9 = 23$$

Example #4:

In the diagram below of circle  $C$ ,  $\overline{QR}$  is a diameter, and  $Q(1, 8)$  and  $C(3.5, 2)$  are points on a coordinate plane. Find and state the coordinates of point  $R$ .

$$R = (6, -4)$$

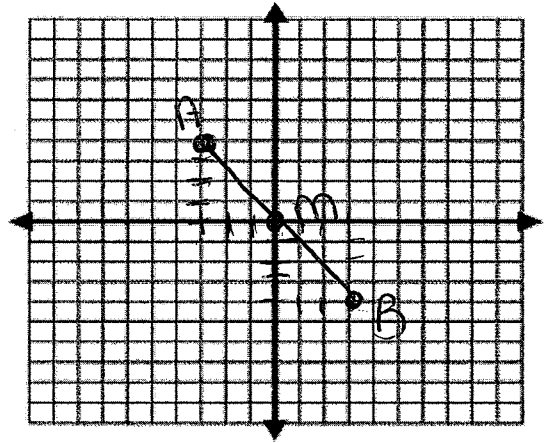


Example #5:

The midpoint  $M$  of line segment  $\overline{AB}$  has coordinates  $(0, 0)$ . If point  $A$  is  $(-3, 4)$ , what are the coordinates of point  $B$ .

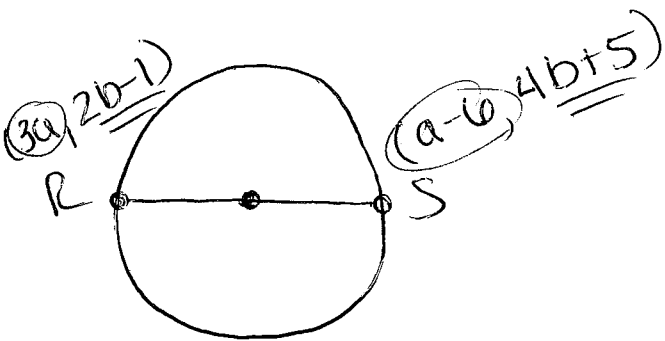
$$B = (3, -4)$$

USE SLOPE  $-\frac{4}{3}$



Example #6:

In circle  $O$ , diameter  $\overline{RS}$  has endpoints  $R(3a, 2b - 1)$  and  $S(a - 6, 4b + 5)$ . Find the coordinates of point  $O$ , in terms of  $b$ . Express your answer in simplest form.



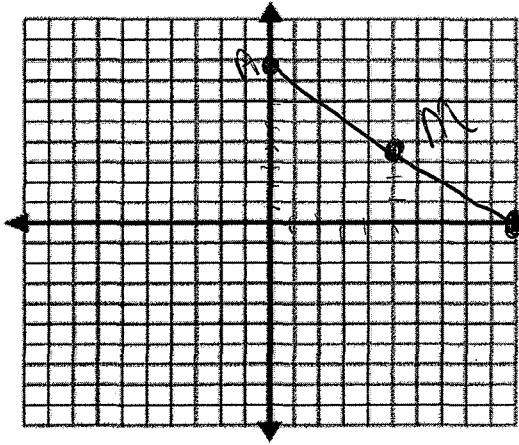
$$\left( \frac{3a + a - 6}{2}, \frac{2b - 1 + 4b + 5}{2} \right)$$

$$\left( \frac{4a - 6}{2}, \frac{6b + 4}{2} \right)$$

$$O = (2a - 3, 3b + 2)$$

**MORE PRACTICE PROBLEMS**

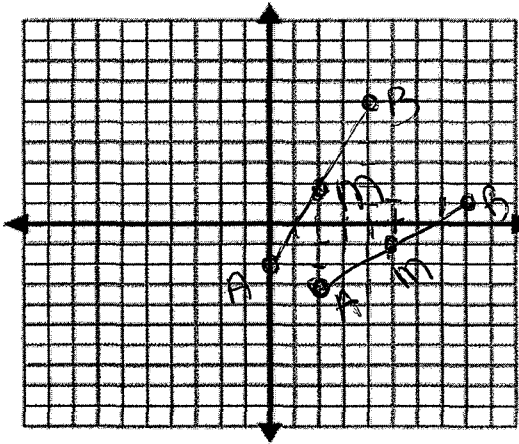
7. Line segment  $\overline{AB}$  has endpoints  $A(x_1, y_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2)$ . What are the coordinates of the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$ ?



$$\left( \frac{0+10}{2}, \frac{8+0}{2} \right)$$

$$\boxed{MP = (5, 4)}$$

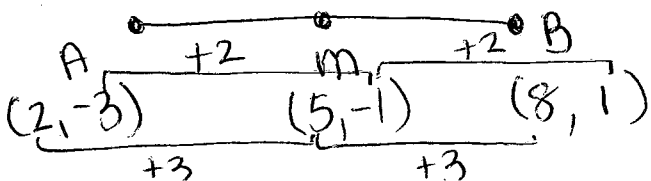
8. Line segment  $\overline{AB}$  has endpoints  $A(x_1, y_1)$  and  $B(x_2, y_2)$ . What are the coordinates of the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$ ?

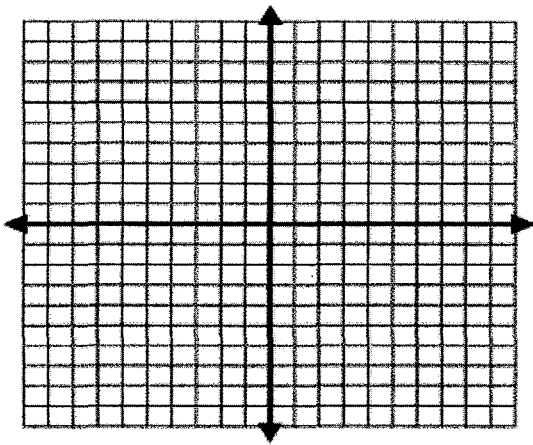


$$\left( \frac{0+4}{2}, \frac{-2+6}{2} \right)$$

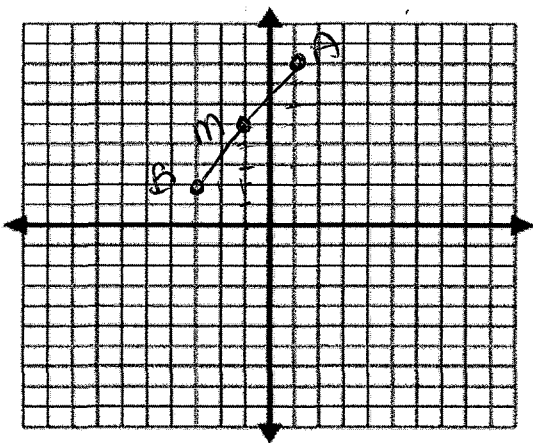
$$\boxed{(2, 2) = MP}$$

9. The midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$  is (5, -1). If the coordinates of A are (2, -3), what are the coordinates of B?





10. The midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$  is  $(-1, 5)$ . If the coordinates of  $B$  are  $(-3, 2)$ , what are the coordinates of  $A$ ?



$$A = (1, 8)$$