## **Skills Readiness**

## 35 Find Missing Measures in Similar Figures

Corresponding sides of similar polygons are proportional. Corresponding angles of similar polygons are congruent.

Notation:  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$  Remember: order matters! Similarity proportion statements:  $\frac{AB}{BC} = \frac{DE}{EF}$ ;  $\frac{AC}{BC} = \frac{DF}{EF}$ ;  $\frac{AB}{AC} = \frac{DE}{DF}$ ; etc.

Example:  $\Box$  *HJKL* ~  $\Box$  *PQRS*. *HJ* = 6, *HL* = 2, and *PS* = 7. What is *PQ*?

• Step 1: Write a proportion using letters; use the sides given and the missing side:

$$\frac{HJ}{HL} = \frac{PQ}{PS}$$

- Step 2: Replace the given sides with the appropriate values:  $\frac{6}{2} = \frac{PQ}{7}$ .
- Step 3: Solve the proportion using cross-multiplication:

$$6(7) = 2(PQ); PQ = \frac{6(7)}{2} = \frac{42}{2} = 21$$

## **Practice on Your Own**

- **1.**  $\triangle RST \sim \triangle XYZ$ . Complete the congruence statement:  $m \angle TSR \cong m \angle$
- **2.**  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle STU$ .  $m \angle BCA = 62^{\circ}$ . What other angle has a measure of 62°?
- **3.**  $\Box AGPS \sim \Box DHNZ$ .  $m \angle GPS = 65^{\circ}$  and  $m \angle PSA = 115^{\circ}$ .

What is the measure of  $\angle NZD?$  \_\_\_\_\_

- 4. DEFG ~ DLMNO. If you know the values of DE, DF, and LN, for which other side is it possible to find the length? \_\_\_\_\_
- **5.**  $\bigcirc ABCDE \sim \bigcirc LMNOP$ . Complete the proportion:  $\frac{BE}{AC} = \frac{\Box}{IN}$
- **6.**  $\triangle HPV \sim \triangle UBK$ . UB = 18, HP = 2, and BK = 90. What is PV?
- **7.**  $\Box$  *WXYZ* ~  $\Box$  *PQRS*. *XY* = 5, *YZ* = 12, and *QR* = 30. What is *RS*?

## Check

- **8.**  $\triangle$ *FGH*  $\sim \triangle$ *LMN*. *m* $\angle$ *HFG* = 84°. What other angle has a measure of 84°?
- **9.**  $\Box ABCD \sim \Box PQRS. \ m \angle ABC = 80^{\circ} \text{ and } m \angle DAB = 100^{\circ}.$ What is the measure of  $\angle PQR$ ?
- 10. □JKLM ~ □DEFG. If you know the values of DF, DG, and JL, for which other side is it possible to find the length? \_\_\_\_\_
- **11.**  $\triangle CDE \sim \triangle HJK$ . DE = 24, JK = 3, and CE = 64. What is HK?
- **12.**  $\triangle UVWX \sim \triangle CDEF$ . WX = 9, VW = 11, and EF = 36. What is DE?