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Proving Triangle Theorems - Guided Lesson Explanation

Explanation#1

Set up the following proportion and solve:

$$\frac{PQ}{RT} = \frac{PR}{QS}$$
$$\frac{6}{12} = \frac{PR}{14}$$
$$\frac{6 \times 14}{12} = PR$$
$$PR = 7$$

Explanation#2

The sum of the measures of the angles of triangle is 180° .

$$\angle C = (4/4)x^{\circ} \qquad \angle A = 2x^{\circ} \qquad \angle B = 3x^{\circ}$$
$$\angle A + \angle B + \angle C = 180^{\circ}$$
$$2x^{\circ} + 3x^{\circ} + (4/4)x^{\circ} = 180^{\circ}, (24/4)x^{\circ} = 180^{\circ}$$
$$\angle B = 3 \times 30^{\circ}, \angle B = 90^{\circ}$$
$$(4/24) \times (24/4)x^{\circ} = (4/24) \times (180^{\circ}), x^{\circ} = 30^{\circ}$$

Explanation#3

Measure of an exterior angle of a triangle is equal to the sum of the measures of the two non-adjacent interior angles.

 $110^{\circ} = \angle Q \qquad \qquad \angle P = 30^{\circ} \qquad \angle QRS = \angle P + \angle Q$ $140^{\circ} = 30^{\circ} + \angle Q \qquad \qquad \angle Q = 140^{\circ} - 30$ $\angle Q = 110^{\circ}$



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