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Rigid Motions to Transform Figures - Guided Lesson Explanation

Explanation # 1

Since $n = 5$ is odd and ℓ passes through a vertex and the midpoint of its opposite side, ℓ is a line of symmetry. One answer is a reflection across ℓ .

Rotating the shape by a multiple of $\frac{360^\circ}{5} = 72^\circ$ carries the shape onto itself. Therefore, a second answer is a rotation of 72° clockwise.

Explanation # 2

Rotating a regular hexagon by a multiple of $\frac{360^\circ}{6} = 60^\circ$ carries the hexagon onto itself.

The answer is a rotation of 60° clockwise or counterclockwise.

Explanation # 3

Rotating an equilateral triangle by a multiple of $\frac{360^\circ}{3} = 120^\circ$ carries the triangle onto itself.

The answer is a rotation of 120° clockwise or counterclockwise.

