

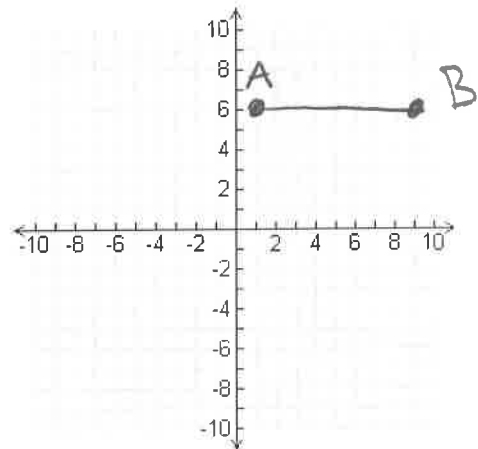
5-3 Midpoint and Distance Formula

- I can find the distance between two points.
- I can find the midpoint of a line segment.

Part 1: Graphing

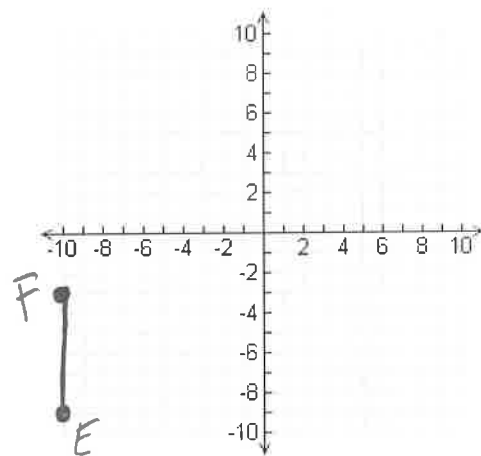
1. Graph the points A (1, 6) and B (9, 6). Find the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$ . Find the distance of  $\overline{AB}$ .

8 units  
(count)



2. Graph the points E (-10, -9) and F (-10, -3). Find the midpoint of  $\overline{EF}$ . Find the distance  $\overline{EF}$ .

6 units  
(count)



3. Graph the points C (2, 2) and D (6, 5). Find the midpoint of  $\overline{CD}$ . Find the distance of  $\overline{CD}$ .

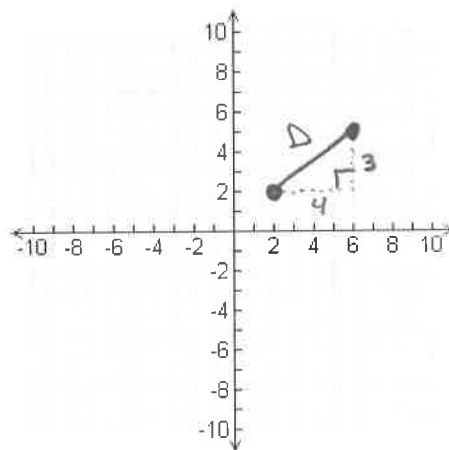
Distance

$$D^2 = 4^2 + 3^2$$

$$D^2 = 16 + 9$$

$$D^2 = 25$$

$$D = 5 \text{ units}$$



Notes:

To find distance of...

vertical/horizontal segments: just count!

Diagonal segments: Pythagorean Theorem

Distance  
Formula

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

## Part 2: Finding Midpoint

Find the midpoint for each line segment using the formula (no graphing needed). Show the formula and all work.

$$\text{Midpoint} = \left( \frac{x_2 + x_1}{2}, \frac{y_2 + y_1}{2} \right)$$

4. G (6, 5) and H (9, 2)

$$X = \frac{6+9}{2} = \frac{15}{2} = 7.5 \quad \bigg| \quad Y = \frac{5+2}{2} = \frac{7}{2} = 3.5$$

$(7.5, 3.5)$

5. I (1, 1) and J (-3, -3)

$$X = \frac{1+(-3)}{2} = \frac{-2}{2} = -1 \quad \bigg| \quad Y = \frac{1+(-3)}{2} = \frac{-2}{2} = -1$$

$(-1, -1)$

6. K (1, -1) and L (8, -7)

$$X = \frac{1+8}{2} = \frac{9}{2} = 4.5 \quad \bigg| \quad Y = \frac{-1+(-7)}{2} = \frac{-8}{2} = -4$$

$(4.5, -4)$

## Part 3: Finding Distance

Find the distance between each set of points. Show work.

7. (0, 0) and (4, 3)

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \sqrt{(4-0)^2 + (3-0)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{4^2 + 3^2} \\ &= \sqrt{25} \\ &= 5 \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

8. (3, -3) and (2, 7)

$$\begin{aligned} D &= \sqrt{(3-2)^2 + (-3-7)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1^2 + (-10)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{1 + 100} \\ &\approx 10.05 \text{ units} \end{aligned}$$

9. Determine the coordinates of the points needed. Then find the distance of each line segment.

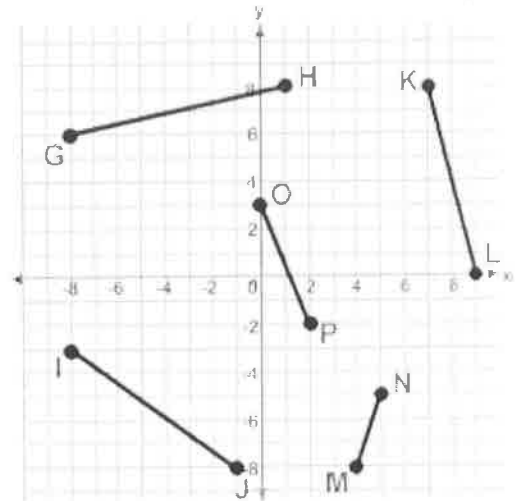
a) GH      G(-8, 6)      H(1, 9)

$$D = \sqrt{(-8-1)^2 + (6-9)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(-9)^2 + (-3)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{81 + 9}$$

$$= \sqrt{90} \approx \boxed{9.487 \text{ units}}$$



b) KL      K(7, 9)      L(9, 0)

$$D = \sqrt{(7-9)^2 + (9-0)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{(-2)^2 + 9^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{4 + 81}$$

$$= \sqrt{85} \approx \boxed{9.22 \text{ units}}$$

Part 4: Putting it All Together

10. Triangle ABC has coordinates A (3, 9), B (5, 1) and C (9, 5). D is the midpoint of AB and E is the midpoint of AC.

a) Graph the points A, B, and C (make sure you label them). Find the coordinates of points D and E. Show all work.

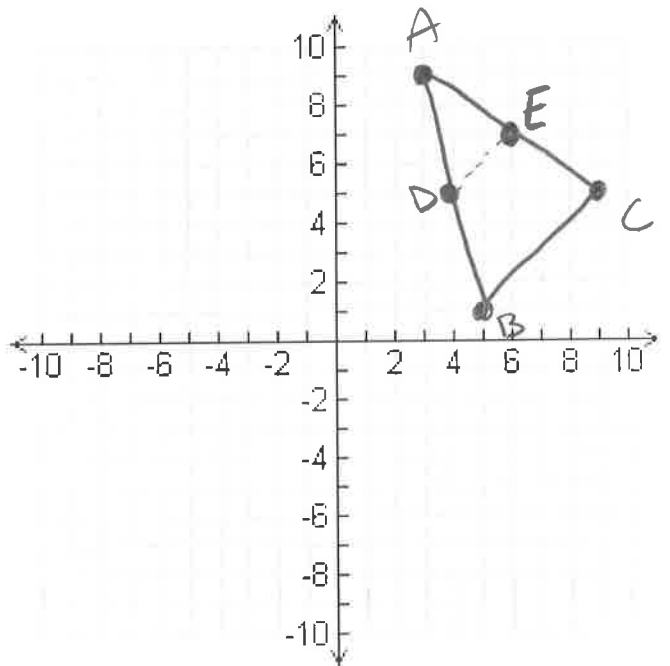
$$D = \left( \frac{3+5}{2}, \frac{9+1}{2} \right)$$

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

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

$$E = \left( \frac{3+9}{2}, \frac{9+5}{2} \right)$$

$$= \left( \frac{12}{2}, \frac{14}{2} \right) = \boxed{(6, 7)}$$



b) Plot points D and point E on the graph and label.

c) Find the length of DE. Show all work.

$$\overline{DE} = \sqrt{(4-6)^2 + (5-7)^2}$$

$$= \sqrt{2^2 + 2^2} \rightarrow = \sqrt{8}$$

$$\approx \boxed{2.828 \text{ units}}$$