

Name Key

Using Coordinates to Prove Theorems about Circles PRACTICE

1. Use circle O to prove that all radii of a circle have the same length.

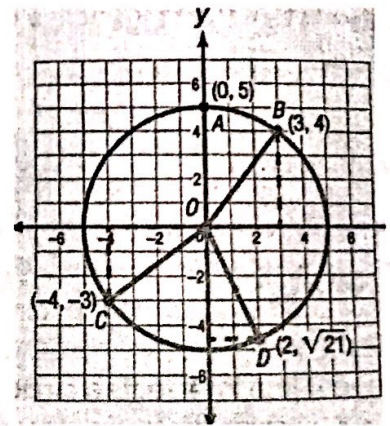
The length of radius OA is 5. (Just count)

Find the lengths of other radii. (Use the distance formula!)

$$OB = \frac{\sqrt{(3-0)^2 + (4-0)^2}}{=} = 5$$

$$OC = \frac{\sqrt{(-4-0)^2 + (-3-0)^2}}{=} = 5$$

$$OD = \frac{\sqrt{(2-0)^2 + (\sqrt{21}-0)^2}}{=} = 5$$



2. Prove or disprove that the point (13, 16) lies on circle O with center (7, 8) and diameter 20.

$$\begin{aligned} (x-7)^2 + (y-8)^2 &= 100 \\ (13-7)^2 + (16-8)^2 &\stackrel{?}{=} 100 \\ 100 &= 100 \\ \text{yes!} \end{aligned}$$

$$r = 10$$

3. The line $y = \frac{1}{4}x + 3$ is tangent to the circle $(x-5)^2 + y^2 = 17$ at the point (4, 4). Prove the tangent line is perpendicular to the radius at the point of tangency.

$$\text{Slope of the tangent line} = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\text{Slope of the radius} = \frac{-4}{1}$$

center (5,0) pt (4,4)

$$\text{Slope of radius} = \frac{4-0}{4-5} = \frac{4}{-1}$$

Answer: The tangent line is/is not perpendicular to the radius at the point of tangency because the slopes of the tangent line and of the radius are/are not opposite reciprocals.

4. The line $y = -\frac{2}{3}x + 4$ is tangent to the circle $(x+5)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 13$ at the point (-3, 6). Prove the tangent line is perpendicular to the radius at the point of tangency.

$$\text{Slope of the tangent line} = \frac{-2}{3}$$

$$\text{Slope of the radius} = \frac{3}{2}$$

center (-5,3) pt (-3,6)

$$\text{Slope of radius} = \frac{6-3}{-3-5} = \frac{3}{-2}$$

Answer: The tangent line is/is not perpendicular to the radius at the point of tangency because the slopes of the tangent line and of the radius are/are not opposite reciprocals.

5. Show that the equation of the circle with endpoints on the diameter (4, -1) and (-6, 7) is $x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 6y - 31 = 0$

Center = $(-1, 3)$ (Midpoint formula)
 $(\frac{4+(-6)}{2}, \frac{-1+7}{2})$

Radius = $\sqrt{41}$ (Distance formula)
 $r = \sqrt{(-1-4)^2 + (3-(-1))^2} = \sqrt{41}$

Equation of circle: $(x+1)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 41$

Convert the above equation to general form.

$$(x+1)(x+1) + (y-3)(y-3) = 41$$

$$x^2 + 2x + 1 + y^2 - 6y + 9 = 41$$

$$x^2 + y^2 + 2x - 6y - 31 = 0$$

6. Prove that the diameter of circle J is twice the length of its radius.

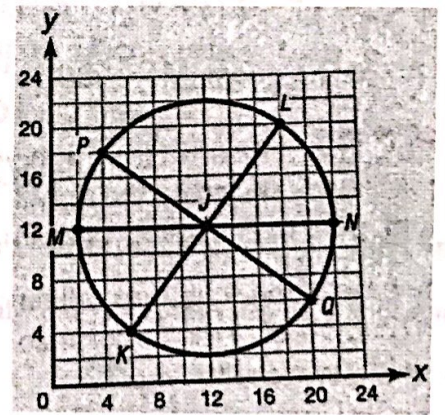
diameter MN = 20 (Just count)

radius MJ = 11 (Just count)

diameter KL = $\sqrt{(18-6)^2 + (20-4)^2} = 20$ (distance formula)

radius KJ = $\sqrt{(12-6)^2 + (12-4)^2} = 10$ (distance formula)

So, each diameter is half the length of each radius.



7. Prove or disprove that the point (-9, 3) lies on circle O with center (-5, 3) and contains the point (-1, 4).

$$(x+5)^2 + (y-3)^2 = 17$$

$$(-9+5)^2 + (3-3)^2 \stackrel{?}{=} 17$$

$16 \neq 17$ no!

$$r = \sqrt{(-1-5)^2 + (4-3)^2}$$

$$r = \sqrt{17}$$

For 8-9: Graph using the attached graph paper.

8. Write the equation of the circle with center (10, -14) and tangent to the line $x = 15$.

* see graph $r = 5$

$$(x-10)^2 + (y+14)^2 = 25$$

9. Write the equation of the circle whose center lies in the 1st quadrant and is tangent to the lines $x = 8$, $y = 3$, and $x = 14$.

* see graph $r = 3$; center (11, 6)

$$(x-11)^2 + (y-6)^2 = 9$$

