## (A) Lesson Context

BIG PICTURE of this UNIT:	<ul> <li>mastery with algebraic skills to be used in our work with co-ordinate geometry (midpoint, length, slope)</li> <li>understanding various geometric properties of quadrilaterals &amp; triangles</li> <li>how do you really "prove" that something is "true"?</li> </ul>
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#### (B) Lesson Objectives:

- a. Develop proficiency in analytic/algebraic/technological determination of midpoints of line segments
- b. Apply the use of midpoints and length to problem solving questions, both context based and geometry based

# PART 1 – Skills REVIEW/EXPLORTION

- 1. A coordinate system is superimposed on a billiard table. Gord has a yellow ball at A(2, 3). He is going to "bank" it off the side rail at B(6, 5), into the pocket at C(2, 7). How far will the yellow ball travel?
- 2. The endpoints of the diameter of a circle are A(-1, 1) and B(2.5, -3). Determine the coordinates of the centre of the circle.
- 3. In a video game, three animated characters are programmed to run out of a building at F(1, -1) and head in three different directions. After 2 s, Animal is at A(22, 18), Beast is at B(-3, 35), and Creature is at C(7, -29). Which character ran farthest?
- 4. A committee is choosing a site for a county fair. The site needs to be located the same distance from the two main towns in the county. On a map, these towns have coordinates (3, 10) and (13, 4). Determine an equation for the line that shows all the possible sites for the fair.
- A forest fire is threatening two small towns, Mordon and Bently. On a map, the fire is located at (10, -11), the fire hall in Mordon is located at (26, 77), and the fire hall in Bently is located at (12, -88). Which fire hall is closer to the fire?
- 6. A triangle has vertices at A(2, -2), B(-4, -4), and C(0, 4).
  a) Draw the triangle, and determine the coordinates of the midpoints of its sides.
  - **b)** Draw the median from vertex *A*, and determine its equation.

## PART 2 - Skills PRACTICE/Applications & GEOMETRY Contexts

- 1. Which of these points is closest to point A(-3.2, 5.6): B(1.8, -4.3), C(0.7, 8.9), or D(-7.6, 3.9)? Justify your decision.
- 2. A quadrilateral has vertices at P(1, 3), Q(6, 5), R(8, 0), and S(3, -2). Determine whether the diagonals have the same midpoint.
- 3. Calculate the distance between each line and the point. Round your answer to one decimal place.
  a) y = 4x 2, (-3, 3)
  c) 2x + 3y = 6, (7, 6)
- 4. Determine an equation for the perpendicular bisector of a line segment with each pair of endpoints.
  a) C(-2, 0) and D(4, -4)
  c) L(-2, -4) and M(8, 4)
- 5. A new amusement park is going to be built near two major highways. On a coordinate grid of the area, with the scale 1 unit represents 1 km, the park is located at P(3, 4). Highway 2 is represented by the equation y = 2x + 5, and Highway 10 is represented by the equation y = -0.5x + 2. Determine the coordinates of the exits that must be built on each highway to result in the shortest road to the park.
- 6. A triangle has vertices at P(7, 7), Q(-3, -5), and R(5, -3).
  a) Determine the coordinates of the midpoints of the three sides of △PQR.
  - **b)** Calculate the slopes of the **midsegments** of  $\triangle PQR$ .
  - c) Calculate the slopes of the three sides of  $\triangle PQR$ .
  - d) Compare your answers for parts b) and c). What do you notice?
- A coordinate grid is superimposed on the plan of a new housing development. A fibre-optic cable is being laid to link points A(-18, 12), B(-8, 1), C(3, 4), and D(15, 7) in a run beginning at A and ending at D. If one unit on the grid represents 2.5 m, how much cable is required?
- 8. Determine the equations of the medians of a triangle with vertices at K(2, 5), L(4, -1), and M(-2, -5).
- <sup>9.</sup> A quadrilateral has vertices at W(-7, -4), X(-3, 1), Y(4, 2), and Z(-2, -7). Two lines are drawn to join the midpoints of the non-adjacent sides in the quadrilateral. Determine the coordinates of the point of intersection of these lines.

### **Higher Level Extension Work**

- 1.  $\triangle ABC$  has vertices at A(1, 2), B(4, 8), and C(8, 4).
  - a)  $\triangle ABC$  is translated so that vertex A' is on the x-axis and vertex B' is on the y-axis. Determine the coordinates of the translated triangle,  $\triangle A'B'C'$ .
  - **b)**  $\triangle DEF$  has vertices at D(-1, 1), E(-2, 6), and F(-8, 3). Is  $\triangle DEF$  congruent to  $\triangle ABC$ ? Justify your answer.
- 2. A triangle has vertices at S(6, 6), T(-6, 12), and U(0, -12). SM is the median from vertex S.
  - a) Determine the coordinates of the point that is two-thirds of the way from S to M that lies on SM.
  - **b)** Repeat part a) for the other two medians, *TN* and *UR*.
  - c) Show that the three medians intersect at a common point. What do you notice about this point?
  - **d)** Do you think the relationship you noticed is true for all triangles? Explain.
- 3. A point is one-third of the way from point A(1, 7) to point B(10, 4). Determine the coordinates of this point. Explain the strategy you used.