STM Knowledge Organiser Year: 11 Subject: Maths Topic: Properties of Polygons

Core Knowledge

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Topic/Skill	Definition/Tips	Example
1. Square	• Four equal sides	
	• Four right angles	
	Opposite sides parallel	
	• Diagonals bisect each other at right	
	angles	/
	• Four lines of symmetry	
	Rotational symmetry of order four	
2. Rectangle	• Two pairs of equal sides	
	• Four right angles	
	Opposite sides parallel	
	• Diagonals bisect each other, not at right	1 1
	angles	
	• Two lines of symmetry	
	• Rotational symmetry of order two	
3. Rhombus	• Four equal sides	
	<ul> <li>Diagonally opposite angles are equal</li> </ul>	× ×
	Opposite sides parallel	
	• Diagonals bisect each other at right	
	angles	
	• Two lines of symmetry	~
	• Rotational symmetry of order two	
4.	• Two pairs of equal sides	//
Parallelogram	• Diagonally opposite angles are equal	
	Opposite sides parallel	<i>‡</i>
	• Diagonals bisect each other, not at right	
	angles	<i>───//</i> → →
	• No lines of symmetry	
	• Rotational symmetry of order two	
5. Kite	• Two pairs of adjacent sides of equal	
	length	
	• One pair of diagonally opposite angles	
	are equal (where different length sides	\ \ \ \ \
	meet)	
	• Diagonals intersect at right angles, but	V
	do not bisect	
	• One line of symmetry	
	• No rotational symmetry	
6. Trapezium	• One pair of parallel sides	
	• No lines of symmetry	
	No rotational symmetry	
	Special Case: Isosceles Trapeziums have	
	one line of symmetry.	

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Links to angles, perimeter, area, solving equations