

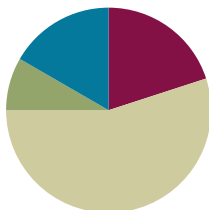
Lesson 9

Objective: Reason about composing and decomposing polygons using tangrams.

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Suggested Lesson Structure

■ Fluency Practice	(12 minutes)
■ Application Problem	(5 minutes)
■ Concept Development	(33 minutes)
■ Student Debrief	(10 minutes)
Total Time	(60 minutes)



Fluency Practice (12 minutes)

- Multiply by 6 **3.OA.7** (8 minutes)
- Equivalent Counting with Units of 9 **3.OA.7** (4 minutes)

Multiply by 6 (8 minutes)

Materials: (S) Multiply by 6 Pattern Sheet (6–10)

Note: This activity builds fluency with multiplication facts using units of 6. It works toward students knowing from memory all products of two one-digit numbers. See G3–M7–Lesson 1 for the directions for administration of a *Multiply By* pattern sheet.

T: (Write $7 \times 6 = \underline{\quad}$.) Let's skip-count up by sixes. I'll raise a finger for each six. (Count with fingers to 7 as students count.)

S: 6, 12, 18, 24, 30, 36, 42.

T: Let's skip-count by sixes starting at 30. Why is 30 a good place to start?

S: It's a fact we already know, so we can use it to figure out a fact we don't know.

T: (Count up with fingers as students say numbers.)

S: 30 (5 fingers), 36 (6 fingers), 42 (7 fingers).

T: Let's see how we can skip-count down to find the answer, too. Start at 60 with 10 fingers, 1 for each six. (Count down with fingers as students say numbers.)

S: 60 (10 fingers), 54 (9 fingers), 48 (8 fingers), 42 (7 fingers).

Continue with the following suggested sequence: 9×6 , 6×6 , and 8×6 .

T: (Distribute Multiply by 6 Pattern Sheet.) Let's practice multiplying by 6. Be sure to work left to right across the page.

Equivalent Counting with Units of 9 (4 minutes)

Note: This activity builds fluency with multiplication facts using units of 9. The progression builds in complexity. Work the students up to the highest level of complexity in which they can confidently participate.

T: Count to 10. (Write as students count. See chart below.)

S: 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1 nine	2 nines	3 nines	4 nines	5 nines	6 nines	7 nines	8 nines	9 nines	10 nines
9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
1 nine	18	3 nines	36	5 nines	54	7 nines	72	9 nines	90
9	2 nines	27	4 nines	45	6 nines	63	8 nines	81	10 nines

T: (Write 1 nine beneath the 1.) Count to 10 nines. (Write as students count.)

S: 1 nine, 2 nines, 3 nines, 4 nines, 5 nines, 6 nines, 7 nines, 8 nines, 9 nines, 10 nines.

T: Count by nines to 90. (Write as students count.)

S: 9, 18, 27, 36, 45, 54, 63, 72, 81, 90.

T: (Write 1 nine beneath the 9. Write 18 beneath the 18.) I'm going to give you a challenge. Let's alternate between saying the units of nine and the number. (Write as students count.)

S: 1 nine, 18, 3 nines, 36, 5 nines, 54, 7 nines, 72, 9 nines, 90.

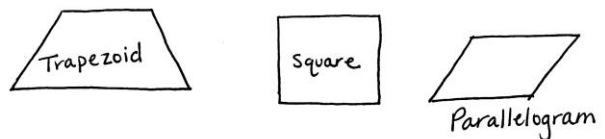
T: (Write 9 beneath 1 nine and 2 nines beneath the 18.) Let's alternate again. (Write as students count.)

S: 9, 2 nines, 27, 4 nines, 45, 6 nines, 63, 8 nines, 81, 10 nines.

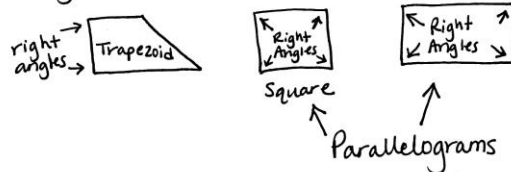
Application Problem (5 minutes)

Name at least two attributes that a trapezoid, a square, and a parallelogram all have in common. Draw a diagram to support your ideas.

Note: This problem is designed to bridge learning from prior lessons and lead up to the Concept Development for the current lesson.



All of these have one or more sets of parallel lines. They are also all quadrilaterals. They could all have right angles too:



Concept Development (33 minutes)

Materials: (S) Tangram pieces (from G3–M7–Lesson 8), blank piece of paper, Problem Set

Problem 1

Use at least two tangram pieces to make and draw two of each of the following shapes. Draw lines to show where the tangram pieces meet.

- A rectangle that does not have all equal sides.
- A triangle.
- A parallelogram.
- A trapezoid.

T: Use the square and the two small triangles to make a rectangle. (Allow students time to work.) Estimate to draw your rectangle in Problem 1(a). Draw lines to show where the triangles and square meet to make the rectangle.

S: (Draw rectangle in Problem 1(a).)

T: Use at least two tangram pieces to make another rectangle. (Allow students time to work.) Which shapes did you use to make another rectangle?

S: I used the medium triangle and the two small triangles. → I used the square, the medium triangle, and the two small triangles. → I used the square, the medium triangle, the two small triangles, and the parallelogram.

T: Compare your rectangle to a partner's. Discuss how they are similar and how they are different.

S: (Compare rectangles and discuss similarities and differences.)

T: Estimate to draw your rectangle in Problem 1(a). Draw lines to show where the tangram pieces meet to make the rectangle.

S: (Draw rectangle in Problem 1(a).)

Continue the process to make the rest of the shapes in Problem 1.

Note: Students should try to make parallelograms and trapezoids that are not rectangles.

Problem 2

Use your two smallest triangles to create a square, a parallelogram, and a triangle. Show how you created them below.

T: Use the two small triangles to make a square. (Allow students time to work.) Estimate to draw your square in Problem 2. Draw lines to show where the triangles meet to make the square.

S: (Draw square in Problem 2.)

T: Compare the square you made using two small triangles with the square tangram piece. What do you notice?



NOTES ON MULTIPLE MEANS OF ACTION AND EXPRESSION:

It may be beneficial to have a variety of tangrams to meet the needs of your students. Plastic or virtual tangrams may be easier for some students to manipulate. Alternatively, tangram pieces (from G3–M7–Lesson 8) can be copied on heavier paper, such as cardstock.

- S: They're the same! → Two small triangles equal the square tangram piece!
- T: Now use the two small triangles to make a parallelogram. (Allow students time to work.) Estimate to draw your parallelogram in Problem 2. Draw lines to show where the triangles meet to make the parallelogram.
- S: (Draw parallelogram in Problem 2.)
- T: Finally, use the two small triangles to make a new triangle. (Allow students time to work.) Estimate to draw your triangle in Problem 2. Draw lines to show where the small triangles meet to make the new triangle.
- S: (Draw triangle in Problem 2.)
- T: Talk to a partner: Compare the size of the parallelogram and the new triangle that you made to the size of the square tangram piece.
- S: They're all equal! → We saw that the two small triangles are the same size as the square. Since we used the two small triangles to make the parallelogram and the new triangle, then those shapes are the same size as the square tangram piece.

Problems 3–4

Problem 3: Create your own shape on a separate sheet of paper using all seven pieces. Describe its attributes below.

Problem 4: Trade your outline with a partner to see if you can recreate their shape using your tangram pieces. Reflect on your experience below. What was easy? What was challenging?

- T: Use all seven tangram pieces to create a new shape. Trace the outline of the shape on the blank piece of paper. Describe attributes of your shape in Problem 3. When you've answered Problem 3, trade outlines with a partner and try to recreate your partner's shape with your tangrams. Then answer Problem 4.

To prepare students:

- Remind them that the shapes that they create cannot have gaps or overlaps.
- Generate a list of possible attributes that they might use to describe their new shape.
- Clarify that, if necessary, they can gently guide their partners to recreate shapes if their partner has independently put forth significant effort in attempting to recreate the shape.

If time permits, students can perform a gallery walk to view the shapes that their classmates created with all seven tangram pieces.

Note: Students will need their tangram pieces for the Exit Ticket and Homework.

Student Debrief (10 minutes)

Lesson Objective: Reason about composing and decomposing polygons using tangrams.

The Student Debrief is intended to invite reflection and active processing of the total lesson experience. Invite students to review their solutions for the Problem Set. They should check work by comparing answers with a partner before going over answers as a class. Look for misconceptions or misunderstandings that can be addressed in the Debrief. Guide students in a conversation to debrief the Problem Set and process the lesson.

You may choose to use any combination of the questions below to lead the discussion.

- Which shape was the most challenging for you to make in Problem 1? Why?
- Could you make the same shapes you made in Problem 2 with the large triangles? Why or why not?
- What can you say about the areas of the shapes you made in Problem 2? How about the areas of these shapes compared to the area of the square tangram piece?
- Compare the attributes of the shape you created in Problem 3 with a partner's. What is similar? What is different?
- Share answers to Problem 4. Was something easy for you, but challenging for others? Likewise, was something easy for others, but challenging for you? Why?

Exit Ticket (3 minutes)


After the Student Debrief, instruct students to complete the Exit Ticket. A review of their work will help you assess the students' understanding of the concepts that were presented in the lesson today and plan more effectively for future lessons. You may read the questions aloud to the students.

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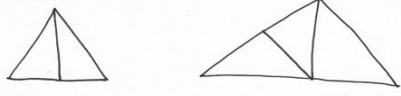
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1. Use at least 2 tangram pieces to make and draw 2 of each of the following shapes. Draw lines to show where the tangram pieces meet.


a. A rectangle that does not have all equal sides.




b. A triangle.



c. A parallelogram.



d. A trapezoid.

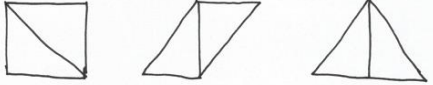


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2. Use your two smallest triangles to create a square, a parallelogram, and a triangle. Show how you created them below.



3. Create your own shape on a separate sheet of paper using all seven pieces. Describe its attributes below.

My shape has 6 sides, which means it's a hexagon. It's not a regular hexagon because the sides aren't all equal. My shape has 1 pair of parallel lines. My shape doesn't have any right angles.

4. Trade your outline with a partner to see if you can recreate their shape using your tangram pieces. Reflect on your experience below. What was easy? What was challenging?

My partner made a trapezoid. I thought it was easy to figure out the end pieces of the trapezoid because I figured out that it was the 2 large triangles. I thought it was challenging to figure out how to put the other 5 pieces to form the trapezoid. It took me a long time and a lot of tries!

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Nancy uses her tangram pieces to make a trapezoid without using the square piece. Sketch how she might have created her trapezoid below.

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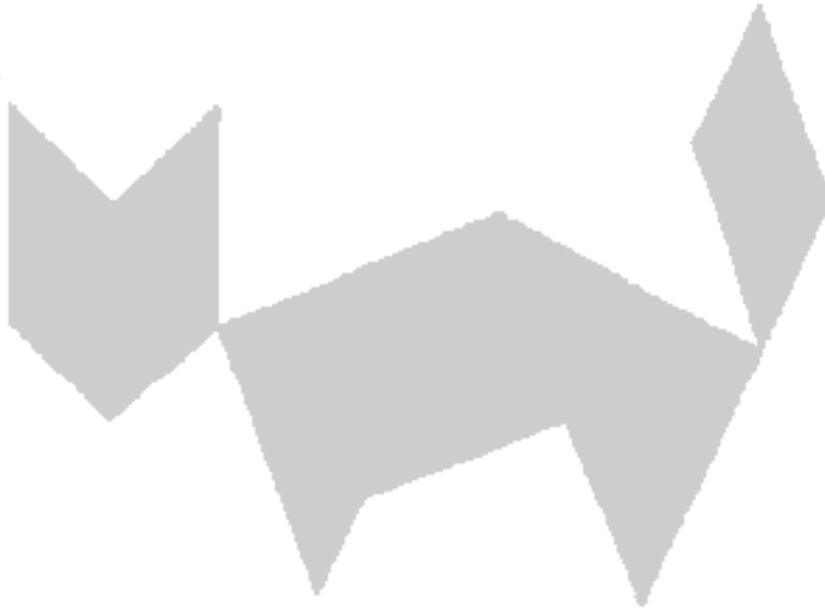
a. A triangle.

b. A square.

c. A parallelogram.

d. A trapezoid.

2. Use your tangram pieces to create the cat below. Draw lines to show where the tangram pieces meet.



3. Use the five smallest tangram pieces to make a square. Sketch your square below, and draw lines to show where the tangram pieces meet.