## Chapter 1 Geometry

## 1-6 Midpoint and Distance in the Coordinate Plane

## Objective:

Develop and apply the formula for midpoint
Use the Distance Formula and the Pythagorean theorem to find the distance between two points.

## Essential Question:

How can we use distances and midpoints to help plan trips?

## Definitions/Terminology

Coordinate Plane: A region that is divided into four regions by a horizontal line ( $x$-axis) and a vertical line ( y -axis). The locations, or coordinates, of a point are given by an ordered pair ( $\mathrm{x}, \mathrm{y}$ ).

| Definition in my own words: | Example: |
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## Midpoint Formula

The midpoint $M$ of $\overline{A B}$ with endpoints $A\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$ and $B\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right)$ is found by
$M\left(\frac{x_{1}+x_{2}}{2}, \frac{y_{1}+y_{2}}{2}\right)$.

Average of
$y_{1}$ and $y_{2}$


Example 1: Find the coordinates of a midpoint
1A. Find the coordinates of the midpoint of $\overline{P Q}$ with endpoints $P(-8,3)$ and $Q(-2$, 7).


## Check it out! Example 1

1a. Find the coordinates of the midpoint of $\overline{E F}$ with endpoints $E(-2,3)$ and $F(5$, $-3)$.


## 1Challenge

Find the coordinates of the midpoint of $\overline{N B}$ with endpoints $N(p-4, d+1)$ and $B(p+6,3 d-1)$.

## Example 2: Finding the Coordinates of an Endpoint

2A. $M$ is the midpoint of $\overline{X Y}$. $X$ has coordinates $(2,7)$ and $M$ has coordinates (6, 1). Find the coordinates of $Y$.


## Check it out! Example 2

2a. $S$ is the midpoint of $\overline{R T}$. $R$ has coordinates $(-6,-1)$ and $S$ has coordinates ( -1 , 1). Find the coordinates of $T$.


## 2Challenge

$S$ is the midpoint of $\overline{R T}$. $R$ has coordinates $(3 n-8,2 r)$ and $S$ has coordinates $(2 n$, 1). Find the coordinates of $T$.

Distance Formula
In a coordinate plane, the distance $d$ between two points $\left(x_{1}, y_{1}\right)$ and $\left(x_{2}, y_{2}\right)$ is

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d=\sqrt{\left(x_{2}-x_{1}\right)^{2}+\left(y_{2}-y_{1}\right)^{2}} .
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## Example 3: Using the Distance Formula

3A. Find FG and JK. Then, determine whether $\overline{F G} \cong \overline{J K}$.


Check it out! Example 3
3a. Find EF and GH. Then, determine whether
$\overline{E F} \cong \overline{G H}$.


Example 4: Finding Distance in the Coordinate Plane

4A. Use the Distance Formula and the Pythagorean Theorem to find the distance, to the nearest tenth, from $D(3,4)$ to $E(-2,-5)$.

Check it out! Example 4
4a. Use the Distance Formula and the Pythagorean Theorem to find the distance, to the nearest tenth, from $R$ to $S$.
$R(3,2)$ and $S(-3,-1)$

4b. Use the Distance Formula and the Pythagorean Theorem to find the distance, to the nearest tenth, from $R$ to $S$. $R(-4,5)$ and $S(2,-1)$

