Geometry H 4.3: Prove Triangles Congruent by SSS Name: _____

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I can prove triangles congruent using SSS Postulate.

Side-Side-Side Congruence Postulate (SSS)	Example:
If three sides of one triangle are congruent	If Side $\overline{AB} \cong $,
to three sides of a second triangle, then the two triangles are congruent.	Side $\overline{BC} \cong $, and $\checkmark A$
	Side $\overline{CA} \cong $,
	then $\triangle ABC \cong \underline{\qquad}$

EXAMPLE 1 – Use the SSS Congruence Postulate

Decide whether the congruence statement is true. Explain your reasoning.

a) $\triangle JKL \cong \triangle MKL$







Reasons to prove sides are congruent in triangle proofs:

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Example 2 – Use the SSS Congruence Postulate to write a proof.

- a. Given: $\overline{AB} \cong \overline{CD}, \overline{DA} \cong \overline{CB}$
 - **Prove:** $\triangle ABC \cong \triangle CDA$



Statements	Reasons
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.

b. Given: $\overline{FJ} \cong \overline{HJ}$ G is the midpoint of \overline{FH}



Statements	Reasons
1.	1.
2.	2.
3.	3.
4.	4.
5.	5.

Example 3 – Congruent Triangles in the Coordinate Plane

a) Determine whether Δ PQR is congruent to the other triangles shown at the right.

Use distance formula to find the lengths of the sides:

QR = _____ WR = _____ RT = _____

PR = _____ VR = _____ ST = _____

