

## 4.2A CLASSWORK

### *Finding Angle Measures in Triangles*

You can use algebra to solve problems involving triangles.

**Example:** In triangle  $ABC$ ,  $m\angle A$  is twice  $m\angle B$ , and  $m\angle C$  is 8 more than  $m\angle B$ . What is the measure of each angle?

Write and solve an equation. Let  $x = m\angle B$ .

$$m\angle A + m\angle B + m\angle C = 180$$

$$2x + x + (x + 8) = 180$$

$$4x + 8 = 180$$

$$4x = 172$$

$$x = 43$$

So,  $m\angle A = 2(43)$  or 86,  $m\angle B = 43$ , and  $m\angle C = 43 + 8$  or 51.

**Solve each problem.**

1. In triangle  $DEF$ ,  $m\angle E$  is three times  $m\angle D$ , and  $m\angle F$  is 9 less than  $m\angle E$ . What is the measure of each angle?
2. In triangle  $RST$ ,  $m\angle T$  is 5 more than  $m\angle R$ , and  $m\angle S$  is 10 less than  $m\angle T$ . What is the measure of each angle?
3. In triangle  $JKL$ ,  $m\angle K$  is four times  $m\angle J$ , and  $m\angle L$  is five times  $m\angle J$ . What is the measure of each angle?
4. In triangle  $XYZ$ ,  $m\angle Z$  is 2 more than twice  $m\angle X$ , and  $m\angle Y$  is 7 less than twice  $m\angle X$ . What is the measure of each angle?
5. In triangle  $GHI$ ,  $m\angle H$  is 20 more than  $m\angle G$ , and  $m\angle G$  is 8 more than  $m\angle I$ . What is the measure of each angle?
6. In triangle  $MNO$ ,  $m\angle M$  is equal to  $m\angle N$ , and  $m\angle O$  is 5 more than three times  $m\angle N$ . What is the measure of each angle?
7. In triangle  $STU$ ,  $m\angle U$  is half  $m\angle T$ , and  $m\angle S$  is 30 more than  $m\angle T$ . What is the measure of each angle?
8. In triangle  $PQR$ ,  $m\angle P$  is equal to  $m\angle Q$ , and  $m\angle R$  is 24 less than  $m\angle P$ . What is the measure of each angle?
9. Write your own problems about measures of triangles.