

**Key Ideas**

**Finding a Missing Endpoint**

$$X_m = \frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}$$

$$Y_m = \frac{y_1 + y_2}{2}$$

$(x_1, y_1)$  &  $(x_2, y_2)$   
endpoints

$(x_m, y_m)$  ← MP

**Notes**

1. Find the coordinates of A if M(-1,2) is the midpoint of  $\overline{AB}$  and B has the coordinates of (3, -5).

B  $(3, -5)$

M  $(-1, 2)$

A  $(?, ?)$

$$2(-1) = \left(\frac{3+x_2}{2}\right) \quad 2(2) = \left(\frac{-5+y_2}{2}\right)$$

$$-2 = 3+x_2 \quad 4 = -5+y_2$$

$$\underline{-3} \quad \underline{-3} \quad \underline{+5} \quad \underline{+5}$$

$$-5 = x_2 \quad 9 = y_2$$

**$(-5, 9)$**

2. Find the coordinates of J if K(-5,10) is the midpoint of  $\overline{JL}$  and L has the coordinates of (-8,6).

L  $(-8, 6)$

K  $(-5, 10)$

J  $(?, ?)$

$$2(-5) = \left(\frac{-8+x_2}{2}\right) \quad 2(10) = \left(\frac{6+y_2}{2}\right)$$

$$-10 = -8+x_2 \quad 20 = 6+y_2$$

$$\underline{+3} \quad \underline{+3} \quad \underline{-6} \quad \underline{-6}$$

$$-2 = x_2 \quad 14 = y_2$$

**$(-2, 14)$**

**More Midpoint Examples (Algebra)**

3. If P is the midpoint of  $\overline{XY}$ ,  $XP = 8x - 2$  and  $PY = 12x - 30$ , find the value of x. (Draw a diagram!)

X  $\frac{8x-2}{\quad}$  P  $\frac{12x-30}{\quad}$  Y

$$8x - 2 = 12x - 30$$

$$\underline{-8x} \quad \underline{-8x}$$

$$-2 = 4x - 30$$

$$\underline{+30} \quad \underline{+30}$$

$$\frac{28}{4} = \frac{4x}{4} \quad \boxed{x=7}$$

4. If G is the midpoint of  $\overline{FH}$ ,  $FG = 14x + 25$  and  $GH = 73 - 2x$ , find FH. (Draw a diagram!)

F  $\frac{14x+25}{\quad}$  G  $\frac{73-2x}{\quad}$  H

$$14x + 25 = 73 - 2x$$

$$\underline{+2x} \quad \underline{+2x}$$

$$16x + 25 = 73$$

$$\underline{-25} \quad \underline{-25}$$

$$\frac{16x}{16} = \frac{48}{16}$$

$$x = 3$$

**$(34)$**

5. Using the diagram to the left, if line n bisects  $\overline{QR}$ , find QP.

Q  $\frac{3x+5}{\quad}$  P  $\frac{5x-19}{\quad}$  R

n

$$3x + 5 = 5x - 19$$

$$\underline{-3x} \quad \underline{-3x}$$

$$5 = 2x - 19$$

$$\underline{+19} \quad \underline{+19}$$

$$24 = 2x$$

$$QP = 3(12) + 5$$

$$36 + 5$$

**$(41)$**