



Interior & Exterior Angles of a Triangle

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Problem 1 – Interior angles of a triangle

1. Record the measures of the interior angles of your triangle.

$\angle ABC$	$\angle BCA$	$\angle CAB$

2. What is the sum of the measures of the three interior angles of the triangle?
3. Does this result change when a vertex of the triangle is dragged?

Problem 2 – One exterior angle of a triangle

4. Record the measures of the interior angles and exterior angle $\angle BCD$ of your triangle.

$\angle ABC$	$\angle BCA$	$\angle CAB$	$\angle BCD$

5. Make some observations about the exterior angle $\angle BCD$ and its relationship to other angles in the chart.

Problem 3 – Three exterior angles of a triangle

6. List the measures of the exterior angles of your triangle (one at each vertex).

Ext \angle at vertex <i>A</i>	Ext \angle at vertex <i>B</i>	Ext \angle at vertex <i>C</i>

7. Calculate the sum of the three exterior angles.
8. Why do you think it is important to use one exterior angle at each vertex?