Lesson 15.2

Quadrilaterals Inscribed in Circles

Quadrilaterals Inscribed in Circles – These have a special relationship. Begin by examining two points on a circle, A and B.

If the measure of the minor Arc AB is 100° what is the measure of the major Arc AB?

360° - 100° = 260°

Notice that any two arcs created by the same two points on a circle must have measures that sum to 360°!



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What would the measure of each arc's inscribed angles have to be?

If the measure of the minor Arc AB is 100° any inscribed angle that intercepts that arc must be ½ of the arc measure or **50°**

If the measure of the major Arc AB is 260° any inscribed angle that intercepts that arc must be ½ of the arc measure or **130°**



 $130^{\circ} + 50^{\circ} = 180^{\circ} \rightarrow$ the angles are supplementary!

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Since the total angle measure of a quadrilateral must be 360°, the remaining two angle (at point A and point B) must also be supplementary!

m∠A + m∠B = 180°



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This can be stated generally as follows: When a quadrilateral is inscribed in a circle, each pair of opposite angles MUST be supplementary.

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m \angle A + m \angle B = 180^{\circ}
m \angle C + m \angle D = 180^{\circ}
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Checkpoint – putting it all together: Inscribed Angles and Quadrilaterals.

Find the measure of all of the ?'s on the diagram. Don't click ahead until you have them all!



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180°- 80° = 100°

180°- 70° = 110°



Open your book to page 800 and do problems 5 and 6

Use the figure for Exercices 5–6. Find each measure using the appropriate theorems and postulates.







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