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## Deductive Reasoning

Lesson Objective

USE DEDUCTIVE REASONING AND LAWS OF LOGIC TO MAKE CONCLUSIONS FROM GIVEN INFORMATION.

<u>Deductive Reasoning</u>: uses facts, definitions, accepted properties, and the laws of logic to form a logical argument. This is different from *inductive reasoning*, which uses specific examples and patterns to form a conjecture.

Law of Detachment: If the HYPOTHESIS of a conditional statement is true, then the is also true.

Example:

1. If two segments have the same length, then they are congruent. You know that BC = XY4 Using the Law of Detachment, what statement can you make?

2. If a figure is a square, then it is a rectangle. You know that quadrilateral ABCD is a square. Using the Law of Detachment, what statement can you make?

## ABCD IS A RECTANGLE

Law of Syllogism: If hypothesis p, then conclusion q.

If hypothesis q, then conclusion r.

If hypothesis p, then conclusion r.

THEN THIS IS TRUE

Example: If possible, use the Law of Syllogism to write a new conditional statement that follows from the pair of statements.

3. If  $x^2 > 25$  then  $x^2 > 20$ If x > 5, then  $x^2 > 25$ 

IF X>5, THEN X2>20.

4. If a polygon is regular, then all angles in the interior of the polygon are congruent.

If a polygon is regular, then all its sides are congruent.

THE FIRST STATEMENT'S CONCLUSION IS NOT THE SAME AS THE SECOND STATEMENT'S HYPOTHESIS, SO WE CANNOT USE THE LAW OF SYLLOGISM.

## Using Inductive and Deductive Reasoning

Example:

What conclusion can you make about the product of an even integer and any other integer?

Inductive:

Deductive:

## Comparing Inductive and Deductive Reasoning

Example: Decide whether inductive reasoning or deductive reasoning is used to reach the conclusion. Explain your reasoning.

6. Each time Monica kicks a ball up in the air, it returns to the ground. So, the next time Monica kicks a ball up in the air, it will return to the ground.

INDUCTIVE! USES PATTERNS/SPECIFIC CASES OF MONICA KICKING THE BALL TO MAKE A CONJECTURE.

7. All reptiles are cold-blooded. Parrots are not cold-blooded. Sue's pet parrot is not a reptile.

DEDUCTIVE! USES FACTS TO MAKE A CONJECTURE.

8. All multiples of 8 are divisible by 4, 64 is a multiple of 8. So, 64 is divisible by 4.

DEDUCTIVE! USES LAW OF DETACHMENT.