NOTES 6.4: TRIANGLE MIDSEGMENT THEOREM

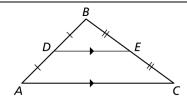
Objective:

THEOREM

DIAGRAM

TRIANGLE MIDSEGMENT THEOREM

The segment connecting the midpoints of two sides of a triangle is parallel to the third side and is half as long as that side.



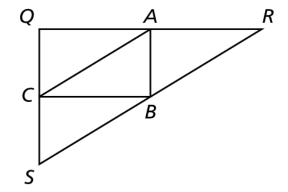
 $\overline{\text{DE}}$ is a midsegment of $\triangle ABC$,

DE || **AC**, **and DE** = _____.

EXAMPLES:

In Examples 1–6, use $\triangle QRS$ where A, B, and C are the midpoints of the sides.

- 1. When AB = 16, what is QS?
- 2. When SR = 68, what is CA?
- 3. When SR = 46, what is BR?



- 4. When CA = 3x 1 and SR = 5x + 4, what is CA?
- 5. When QS = 6x and CS = 5x 8, what is AB?
- 6. When $m \angle BCA = 48^{\circ}$, what is the $m \angle CAQ$?