NOTES 1.2: SEGMENTS AND DISTANCE

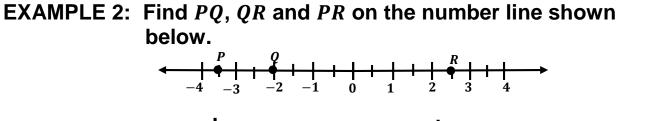
Objective:_____

To measure the *LENGTH* of a segment, you can use a number line to find the *DISTANCE* between the two endpoints, or you can use the formula:

d =

(Where *a* & *b* are endpoints of the segment.)

EXAMPLE 1: Find the distance between – 2 and 6 on a number line.



 $PQ = _ \qquad \qquad | QR = _ \qquad \qquad | PR = _$

Segment Addition Postulate:

If Q is between P and R, then PQ + QR = PR. If PQ + QR = PR, then Q is between P and R.

EXAMPLE 1: If *B* is between *A* and *C* and AB = 4 and BC = 5, then $AC = _$.

EXAMPLE 2: If AB = x, BC = x + 6 and AC = 24, then find AB and BC.

AB = _____; *BC* = _____

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EXAMPLE 3: Find *LM* if *L* is between *N* and *M*, NL = 6x - 5, LM = 2x + 3 and NM = 30.

LM = _____

Notes 1.2 (Continued)

When a segment is drawn on a coordinate plane, you can find its *LENGTH* by using the *DISTANCE* formula:

$$d =$$

EXAMPLE 1: Find the distance between $(2, -1)$ and $(-2, -1)$.



