## NOTES 1.2: SEGMENTS AND DISTANCE

## Objective:

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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:

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d=
$$

(Where $a \& b$ are endpoints of the segment.)
 line.
$\overline{\text { EXAMPLE }} \overline{2}$ : $\overline{\text { Find }} \bar{P} \bar{Q}, \bar{Q} \bar{R}$ and $\overline{P R}$ on the number line shown below.



Segment Addition Postulate:
If $Q$ is between $P$ and $R$, then $P Q+Q R=P R$.
If $P Q+Q R=P R$, then $Q$ is between $P$ and $R$.
$\overline{\text { EXAMPLE }} \overline{1}: \overline{\text { If }} \bar{B}$ is between $\bar{A} \overline{\text { and }} \bar{C} \overline{\mathrm{and}} \bar{A} \bar{B}=\mathbf{4}$ and $\overline{B C}=\overline{5}$, then $A C=$ $\qquad$ .
 $B C$.

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A B=\ldots ; B C=
$$

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

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L M=
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Notes 1.2 (Continued)
When a segment is drawn on a coordinate plane, you can find its LENGTH by using the DISTANCE formula:

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d=
$$



$\overline{\text { EXAMPLE }} \overline{3}: \overline{\text { Find }} \bar{A} \bar{B}$.


