# **CLASSIFYING POLYGONS**

## **Objective:**

Use properties to classify polygons.

### Study the following words:

Polygons - shapes with closed, straight sides



**Polygons** are shapes with closed, straight sides. They are classified according to their number of sides. The chart below lists some common polygons.

| POLYGONS |                 |                 |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Shape    | Number of Sides | Name of Polygon |
|          | 3               | Triangle        |
|          | 4               | Quadrilateral   |
|          | 5               | Pentagon        |
|          | 6               | Hexagon         |
|          | 8               | Octagon         |

### EXAMPLE 1

| Classify each polygon |
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a.



The shape is a triangle because it has  $\boldsymbol{3}$  sides.

b.



The shape is a pentagon because it has  $5\ \mathrm{sides}.$ 

#### Classify each polygon.







