

# 5-2

## Perpendicular and Angle Bisectors

### Content Standards

**G.CO.9** Prove theorems about lines and angles . . . points on a perpendicular bisector of a line segment are exactly those equidistant from the segment's endpoints.  
**G.SRT.5** Use congruence . . . criteria to solve problems and prove relationships in geometric figures.

**Objective** To use properties of perpendicular bisectors and angle bisectors

A point is **equidistant** from two objects if it is the same distance from the objects.

Take note

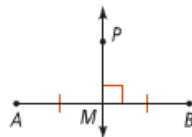
### Theorem 5-2 Perpendicular Bisector Theorem

**Theorem**

If a point is on the perpendicular bisector of a segment, then it is equidistant from the endpoints of the segment.

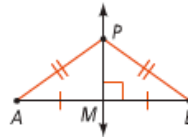
If . . .

$$\overline{PM} \perp \overline{AB} \text{ and } MA = MB$$



Then . . .

$$PA = PB$$



You will prove Theorem 5-2 in Exercise 32.

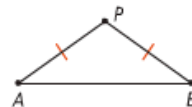
### Theorem 5-3 Converse of the Perpendicular Bisector Theorem

**Theorem**

If a point is equidistant from the endpoints of a segment, then it is on the perpendicular bisector of the segment.

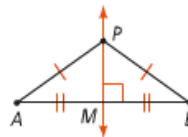
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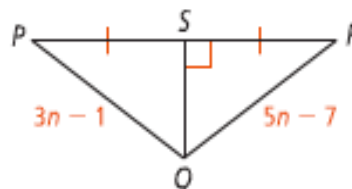
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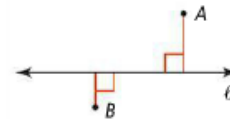
**Got It?** 1. What is the length of  $\overline{QR}$ ?



**Got It? 2. a.** Suppose the director wants the T-shirt stand to be equidistant from the paddle boats and the Spaceship Shoot. What are the possible locations?



The **distance from a point to a line** is the length of the perpendicular segment from the point to the line. This distance is also the length of the shortest segment from the point to the



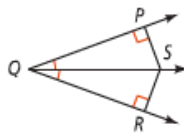
Take note

### Theorem 5-4 Angle Bisector Theorem

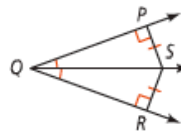
**Theorem**

If a point is on the bisector of an angle, then the point is equidistant from the sides of the angle.

If ...  
 $\overline{QS}$  bisects  $\angle PQR$ ,  $\overline{SP} \perp \overline{QP}$ ,  
 and  $\overline{SR} \perp \overline{QR}$



Then ...  
 $SP = SR$



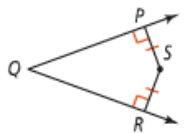
You will prove Theorem 5-4 in Exercise 34.

### Theorem 5-5 Converse of the Angle Bisector Theorem

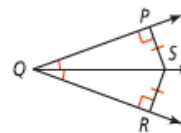
**Theorem**

If a point in the interior of an angle is equidistant from the sides of the angle, then the point is on the angle bisector.

If ...  
 $\overline{SP} \perp \overline{QP}$ ,  $\overline{SR} \perp \overline{QR}$ ,  
 and  $SP = SR$



Then ...  
 $\overline{QS}$  bisects  $\angle PQR$



You will prove Theorem 5-5 in Exercise 35.

**Got It?** 3. What is the length of  $\overline{FB}$ ?

