

EXERCISE 6.2

For what value of $x + y$ in Fig. 6.4 will ABC be a line? Justify your answer.

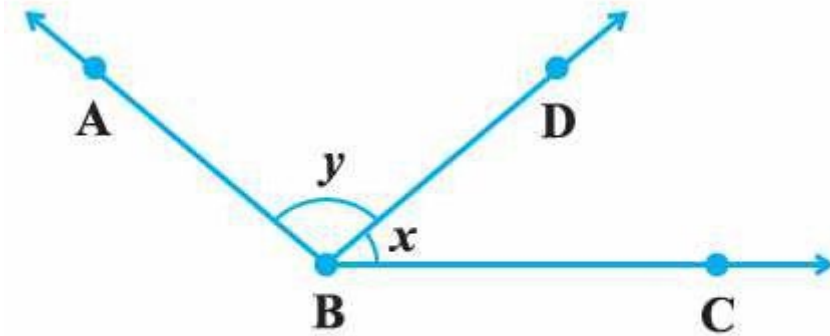


Fig. 6.4

Solution:

The value of $x + y$ should be 180° for ABC to be a line.

Justification:

From the figure, we can say that,

BD is a ray that intersects AB and BC at the point B, which results in

$$\angle ABD = y$$

$$\text{and, } \angle DBC = x$$

We know,

If a ray stands on a line, then the sum of two adjacent angles so formed is 180° .

\Rightarrow If the sum of two adjacent angles is 180° , then a ray stands on a line.

Thus, for ABC to be a line,

The sum of $\angle ABD$ and $\angle DBC$ should be equal to 180° .

$$\Rightarrow \angle ABD + \angle DBC = 180^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow x + y = 180^\circ$$

Therefore, the value of $x + y$ should be equal to 180° for ABC to be a line.

1. Can a triangle have all angles less than 60° ? Give reasons for your answer.

Solution:

No. A triangle cannot have all angles less than 60°

Justification:

According to the angle sum property,

We know that the sum of all the interior angles of a triangle should be = 180° .

Suppose, all the angles are 60° ,

Then we get, $60^\circ + 60^\circ + 60^\circ = 180^\circ$.

Now, considering angles less than 60° ,

Let us take 59° , which is the highest natural number less than 60° .

Then we have,

$$59^\circ + 59^\circ + 59^\circ = 177^\circ \neq 180^\circ$$

Hence, we can say that if all the angles are less than 60° , the measure of the angles won't satisfy the angle sum property.

Therefore, a triangle cannot have all angles less than 60° .

2. Can a triangle have two obtuse angles? Give reasons for your answer.

Solution:

No. A triangle cannot have two obtuse angles

Justification:

According to the angle sum property,

We know that the sum of all the interior angles of a triangle should be = 180° .

An obtuse angle is one whose value is greater than 90° but less than 180° .

Considering two angles to be equal to the lowest natural number greater than 90° , i.e., 91° .

According to the question,

If the triangle has two obtuse angles, then there are two angles which are at least 91° each.

On adding these two angles,

$$\text{Sum of the two angles} = 91^\circ + 91^\circ$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Sum of the two angles} = 182^\circ$$

The sum of these two angles already exceeds the sum of three angles of the triangle, even without considering the third angle.

Therefore, a triangle cannot have two obtuse angles.

3. How many triangles can be drawn having its angles as 45° , 64° and 72° ? Give reasons for your answer.

Solution:

No triangle can be drawn having its angles 45° , 64° and 72° .

Justification:

According to the angle sum property,

We know that the sum of all the interior angles of a triangle should be = 180° .

But, according to the question,

We have the angles 45° , 64° and 72° .

Sum of these angles = $45^\circ + 64^\circ + 72^\circ$
= 181° , which is greater than 180° .

Hence, the angles do not satisfy the angle sum property of a triangle.

Therefore, no triangle can be drawn having its angles 45° , 64° and 72° .

4. How many triangles can be drawn having its angles as 53° , 64° and 63° ? Give reasons for your answer.

Solution:

Infinitely many triangles can be drawn having its angles as 53° , 64° and 63° .

Justification:

According to the angle sum property,

We know that the sum of all the interior angles of a triangle should be = 180° .

According to the question,

We have the angles 53° , 64° , and 63° .

Sum of these angles = $53^\circ + 64^\circ + 63^\circ$
= 180°

Hence, the angles satisfy the angle sum property of a triangle.

Therefore, infinitely many triangles can be drawn having its angles as 53° , 64° and 63° .

