## Tips for solving proofs that involve triangles

Remember to look for ONLY these combinations for congruent triangles: $S A S, A S A, S S S$, $A A S$, and $H L$ (right triangle)

Mark diagram

Corresponding Parts

Examine
Diagram

Use Definitions

More than one solution

Common Parts

Mark any given information on your diagram.
Look to see if the pieces you need are "parts" of the triangles that can be proven congruent.

If not given all needed pieces to prove the triangles congruent, look to see what else you might know about the diagram.

Know your definitions! If the given information contains definitions, consider these as "hints" to the solution and be sure to use them.

Stay open-minded. There may be more than one way to solve a problem.

Look to see if your triangles "share" parts. These common parts are automatically one set of congruent parts.

