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<u>Triangle</u>	a h	P = a + b + c	$\mathbf{A} = \frac{b x h}{2}$
<u>Square</u>	s s	P = s + s + s + s $= 4s$	$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{S} \times \mathbf{S}$ $= \mathbf{S}^2$
<u>Rectangle</u>	h h	P = b + b + h + h = $2b + 2h$ = $2(b + h)$	$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{h}$
<u>Parallelogram</u>	b d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d d	P = a + a + b + b = $2a + 2b$ = $2(a + b)$	$\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{b} \times \mathbf{h}$



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<u>Rhombus</u>	S D S d S	P = s + s + s + s = 4 s	$\mathbf{A} = \frac{\mathbf{D} \times \mathbf{d}}{2}$
<u>Trapezoid</u>	b h B	P = b + a + B + c	$\mathbf{A} = \frac{(b + B) \times h}{2}$
Regular Polygon	n = number of sides	P = n x s	$A = \frac{san}{2}$
<u>Circle</u>		$c = 2 \pi r$	$\mathbf{A} = \pi r^2$



