

# 7.6

## Frieze Patterns

### What you should learn

**GOAL 1** Use transformations to classify frieze patterns.

**GOAL 2** Use frieze patterns to design border patterns in **real life**, such as the tiling pattern in **Example 4**.

### Why you should learn it

▼ You can use frieze patterns to create decorative borders for **real-life** objects, such as the pottery below and the pottery in **Exs. 35–37**.



### GOAL 1 CLASSIFYING FRIEZE PATTERNS

A **frieze pattern** or **border pattern** is a pattern that extends to the left and right in such a way that the pattern can be mapped onto itself by a horizontal translation. In addition to being mapped onto itself by a horizontal translation, some frieze patterns can be mapped onto themselves by other transformations.

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|------------------------------------|---|
| 1. Translation                     | T |
| 2. 180° rotation                   | R |
| 3. Reflection in a horizontal line | H |
| 4. Reflection in a vertical line   | V |
| 5. Horizontal glide reflection     | G |

### EXAMPLE 1 Describing Frieze Patterns

Describe the transformations that will map each frieze pattern onto itself.








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### SOLUTION

- This frieze pattern can be mapped onto itself by a horizontal translation (T).
- This frieze pattern can be mapped onto itself by a horizontal translation (T) or by a 180° rotation (R).
- This frieze pattern can be mapped onto itself by a horizontal translation (T) or by a horizontal glide reflection (G).
- This frieze pattern can be mapped onto itself by a horizontal translation (T) or by a reflection in a vertical line (V).

**CONCEPT  
SUMMARY**

**CLASSIFICATIONS OF FRIEZE PATTERNS**

<b>T</b>	<b>Translation</b>	
<b>TR</b>	<b>Translation and 180° rotation</b>	
<b>TG</b>	<b>Translation and horizontal glide reflection</b>	
<b>TV</b>	<b>Translation and vertical line reflection</b>	
<b>THG</b>	<b>Translation, horizontal line reflection, and horizontal glide reflection</b>	
<b>TRVG</b>	<b>Translation, 180° rotation, vertical line reflection, and horizontal glide reflection</b>	
<b>TRHVG</b>	<b>Translation, 180° rotation, horizontal line reflection, vertical line reflection, and horizontal glide reflection</b>	

**STUDENT HELP**

**Study Tip**

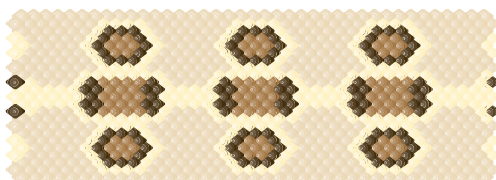
To help classify a frieze pattern, you can use a process of elimination. This process is described at the right and in the tree diagram in **Ex. 53**.

To classify a frieze pattern into one of the seven categories, you first decide whether the pattern has  $180^\circ$  rotation. If it does, then there are three possible classifications: TR, TRVG, and TRHVG.

If the frieze pattern does not have  $180^\circ$  rotation, then there are four possible classifications: T, TV, TG, and THG. Decide whether the pattern has a line of reflection. By a process of elimination, you will reach the correct classification.

**EXAMPLE 2** *Classifying a Frieze Pattern*

**SNAKES** Categorize the snakeskin pattern of the mountain adder.



**SOLUTION**

This pattern is a TRHVG. The pattern can be mapped onto itself by a translation, a  $180^\circ$  rotation, a reflection in a horizontal line, a reflection in a vertical line, and a horizontal glide reflection.

**FOCUS ON APPLICATIONS**

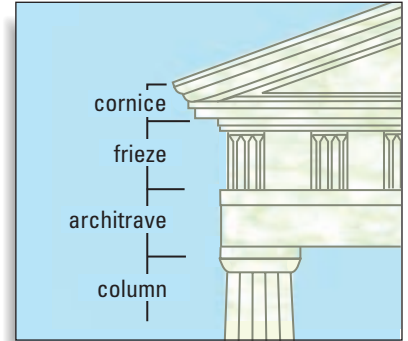


**ARCHITECTURE**  
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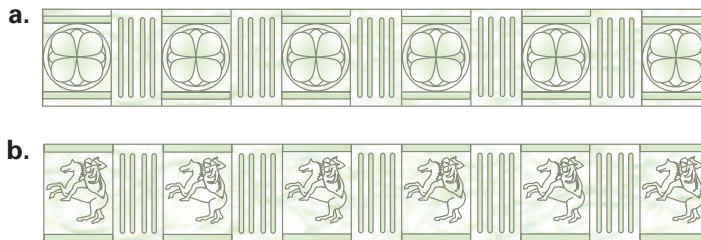
**GOAL 2 USING FRIEZE PATTERNS IN REAL LIFE**

**EXAMPLE 3 Identifying Frieze Patterns**

**ARCHITECTURE** The frieze patterns of ancient Doric buildings are located between the cornice and the architrave, as shown at the right. The frieze patterns consist of alternating sections. Some sections contain a person or a symmetric design. Other sections have simple patterns of three or four vertical lines.



Portions of two frieze patterns are shown below. Classify the patterns.



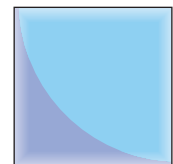
**SOLUTION**

- Following the diagrams on the previous page, you can see that this frieze pattern has rotational symmetry, line symmetry about a horizontal line and a vertical line, and that the pattern can be mapped onto itself by a glide reflection. So, the pattern can be classified as TRHVG.
- The only transformation that maps this pattern onto itself is a translation. So, the pattern can be classified as T.

**EXAMPLE 4 Drawing a Frieze Pattern**

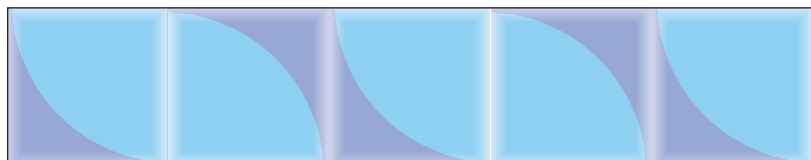


**TILING** A border on a bathroom wall is created using the decorative tile at the right. The border pattern is classified as TR. Draw one such pattern.



**SOLUTION**

Begin by rotating the given tile  $180^\circ$ . Use this tile and the original tile to create a pattern that has rotational symmetry. Then translate the pattern several times to create the frieze pattern.



# GUIDED PRACTICE

**Vocabulary Check** ✓

**Concept Check** ✓

- Describe the term *frieze pattern* in your own words.
- ERROR ANALYSIS** Describe Lucy's error below.



**Skill Check** ✓

In Exercises 3–6, describe the transformations that map the frieze pattern onto itself.

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- List the five possible transformations, along with their letter abbreviations, that can be found in a frieze pattern.

# PRACTICE AND APPLICATIONS

**STUDENT HELP**

**Extra Practice** to help you master skills is on p. 816.

**SWEATER PATTERN** Each row of the sweater is a frieze pattern. Match the row with its classification.

- A. TRHVG    B. TR    C. TRVG    D. THG

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**CLASSIFYING PATTERNS** Name the isometries that map the frieze pattern onto itself.

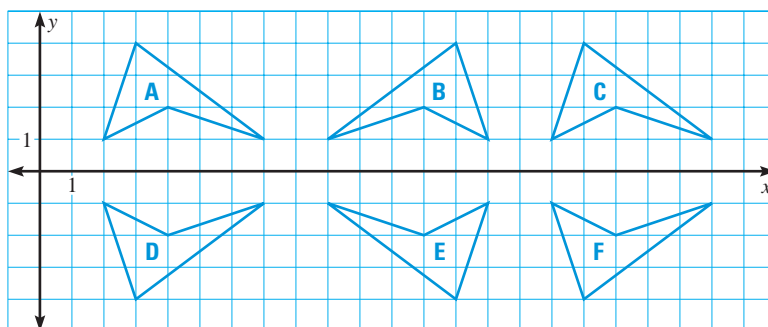
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**STUDENT HELP**

**HOMEWORK HELP**

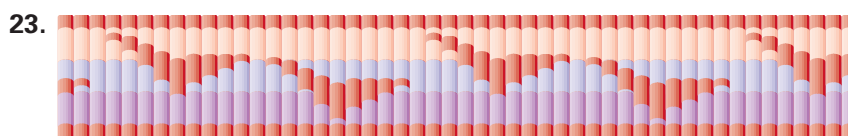
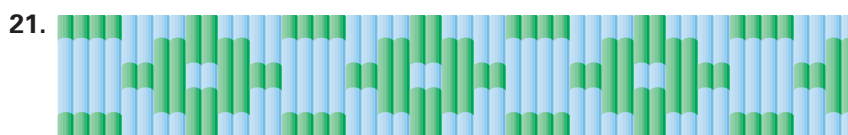
- Example 1:** Exs. 8–15
- Example 2:** Exs. 16–23
- Example 3:** Exs. 32–39
- Example 4:** Exs. 40–43


**DESCRIBING TRANSFORMATIONS** Use the diagram of the frieze pattern.



16. Is there a reflection in a vertical line? If so, describe the reflection(s).
17. Is there a reflection in a horizontal line? If so, describe the reflection(s).
18. Name and describe the transformation that maps A onto F.
19. Name and describe the transformation that maps D onto B.
20. Classify the frieze pattern.

 **PET COLLARS** In Exercises 21–23, use the chart on page 438 to classify the frieze pattern on the pet collars.



24.  **TECHNOLOGY** Pick one of the seven classifications of patterns and use geometry software to create a frieze pattern of that classification. Print and color your frieze pattern.
25. **DATA COLLECTION** Use a library, magazines, or some other reference source to find examples of frieze patterns. How many of the seven classifications of patterns can you find?

**CREATING A FRIEZE PATTERN** Use the design below to create a frieze pattern with the given classification.

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| 26. TR   | 27. TV    |
| 28. TG   | 29. THG   |
| 30. TRVG | 31. TRHVG |



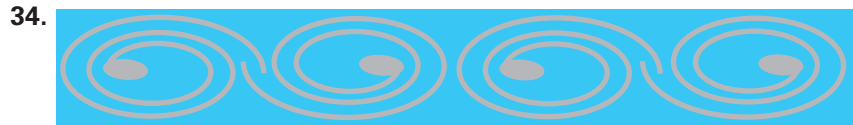
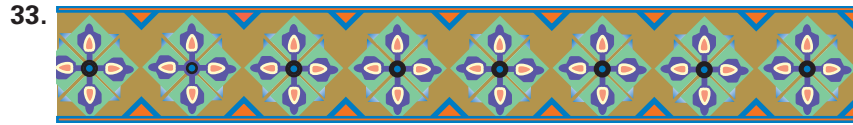
**FOCUS ON APPLICATIONS**



**REAL LIFE**  
**NIKKO MEMORIAL**

The building shown is a memorial to Tokugawa Ieyasu (1543–1616), the founder of the Tokugawa Shogunate.

**JAPANESE PATTERNS** The patterns shown were used in Japan during the Tokugawa Shogunate. Classify the frieze patterns.



**POTTERY** In Exercises 35–37, use the pottery shown below. This pottery was created by the Acoma Indians. The Acoma pueblo is America’s oldest continually inhabited city.

- 35. Identify any frieze patterns on the pottery.
- 36. Classify the frieze pattern(s) you found in Exercise 35.
- 37. Create your own frieze pattern similar to the patterns shown on the pottery.
- 38. Look back to the southwestern pottery on page 437. Describe and classify one of the frieze patterns on the pottery.



- 39. **LOGICAL REASONING** You are decorating a large circular vase and decide to place a frieze pattern around its base. You want the pattern to consist of ten repetitions of a design. If the diameter of the base is about 9.5 inches, how wide should each design be?

**TILING** In Exercises 40–42, use the tile to create a border pattern with the given classification. Your border should consist of one row of tiles.

40. TR



41. TRVG



42. TRHVG



- 43. **Writing** Explain how the design of the tiles in Exercises 40–42 is a factor in the classification of the patterns. For instance, could the tile in Exercise 40 be used to create a single row of tiles classified as THG?

**CRITICAL THINKING** Explain why the combination is not a category for frieze pattern classification.

44. TVG

45. THV

46. TRG

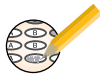
**STUDENT HELP**



**HOMEWORK HELP**

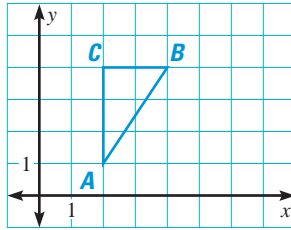
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for help with Exs. 47  
and 48.

**Test Preparation**

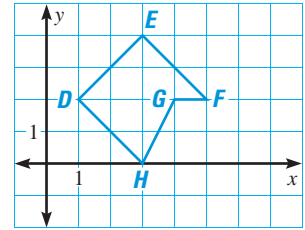


**USING THE COORDINATE PLANE** The figure shown in the coordinate plane is part of a frieze pattern with the given classification. Copy the graph and draw the figures needed to complete the pattern.

47. TR

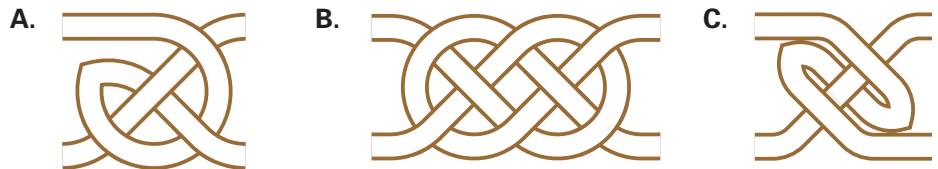


48. TRVG



**MULTI-STEP PROBLEM** In Exercises 49–52, use the following information.

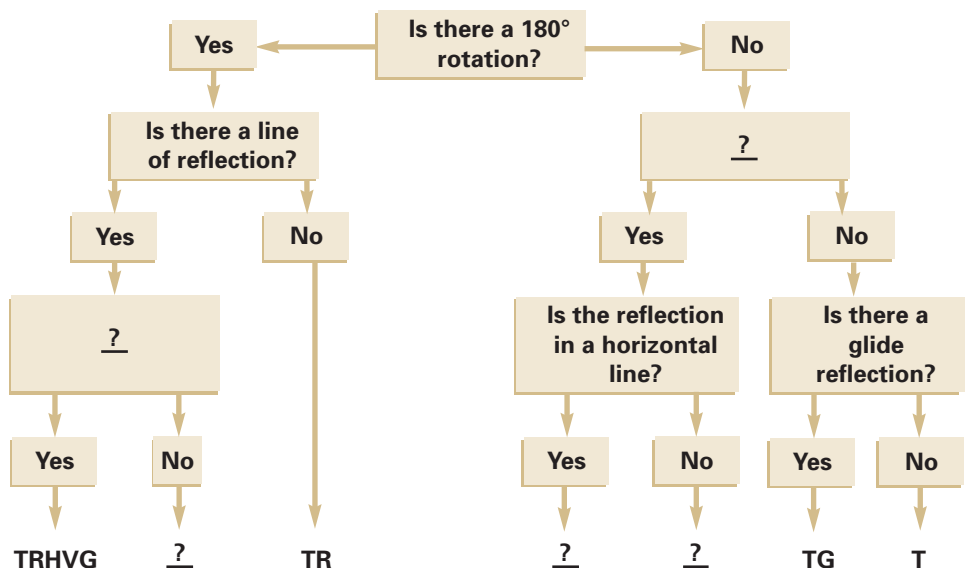
In Celtic art and design, border patterns are used quite frequently, especially in jewelry. Three different designs are shown.



- 49. Use translations to create a frieze pattern of each design.
- 50. Classify each frieze pattern that you created.
- 51. Which design does not have rotational symmetry? Use rotations to create a new frieze pattern of this design.
- 52. *Writing* If a design has  $180^\circ$  rotational symmetry, it cannot be used to create a frieze pattern with classification *T*. Explain why not.

**★ Challenge**

53. **TREE DIAGRAM** The following tree diagram can help classify frieze patterns. Copy the tree diagram and fill in the missing parts.

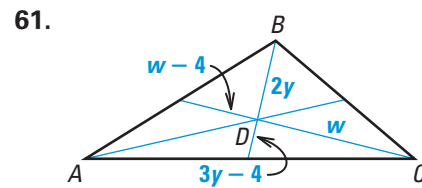
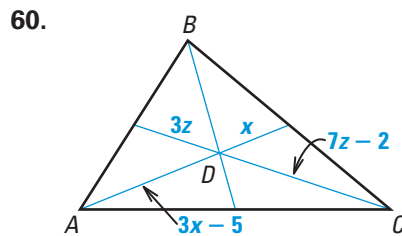


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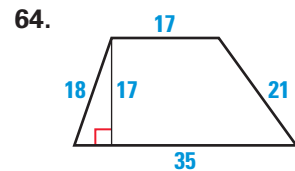
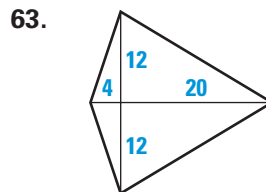
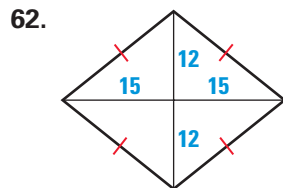
**RATIOS** Find the ratio of girls to boys in a class, given the number of boys and the total number of students. (Skills Review for 8.1)

54. 12 boys, 23 students  
 55. 8 boys, 21 students  
 56. 3 boys, 13 students  
 57. 19 boys, 35 students  
 58. 11 boys, 18 students  
 59. 10 boys, 20 students

**PROPERTIES OF MEDIANS** Given that  $D$  is the centroid of  $\triangle ABC$ , find the value of each variable. (Review 5.3)



**FINDING AREA** Find the area of the quadrilateral. (Review 6.7)

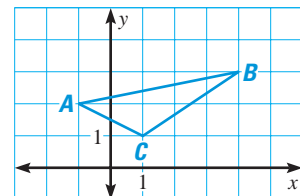


# QUIZ 2


## Self-Test for Lessons 7.4–7.6

Write the coordinates of the vertices  $A'$ ,  $B'$ , and  $C'$  after  $\triangle ABC$  is translated by the given vector. (Lesson 7.4)

1.  $\langle 1, 3 \rangle$   
 2.  $\langle -3, 4 \rangle$   
 3.  $\langle -2, -4 \rangle$   
 4.  $\langle 5, 2 \rangle$



In Exercises 5 and 6, sketch the image of  $\triangle PQR$  after a composition using the given transformations in the order they appear. (Lesson 7.5)

5.  $P(5, 1)$ ,  $Q(3, 4)$ ,  $R(0, 1)$   
 Translation:  $(x, y) \rightarrow (x - 2, y - 4)$   
 Reflection: in the  $y$ -axis
6.  $P(7, 2)$ ,  $Q(3, 1)$ ,  $R(6, -1)$   
 Translation:  $(x, y) \rightarrow (x - 4, y + 3)$   
 Rotation:  $90^\circ$  clockwise about origin
7.  Do the notes shown form a frieze pattern? If so, classify the frieze pattern. (Lesson 7.6)