Co-ordinate Geometry : Distance Formula

1. Find out the value of y if the distance of the point (-4, y) from origin is 5 units.

Ans. The distance between origin O (0,0) & (-4, y) is = $\sqrt{(-4-0)^2 + (y-0)^2}$ units = $\sqrt{16 + y^2}$ units

: By the questions, $\sqrt{16 + y^2} = 5$ or, $16 + y^2 = 25$ (squaring both sides) or, $y^2 = 25 - 16$ or, $y^2 = 9$ or, $y = \pm 3$

Ans. : The required values of y are ± 3

2. What type of the triangle will be made by joining the three points (3, 0), (-3, 0), (0, 3).

Ans. Let, A (3, 0), B (-3, 0), C(0, 3)

$$\therefore AB = \sqrt{(-3-3)^2 + (0-0)^2} \text{ units } = \sqrt{36} \text{ units } = 6 \text{ units}$$

$$AC = \sqrt{(0-3)^2 + (3-0)^2} \text{ units } = \sqrt{9+9} \text{ units } = \sqrt{18} \text{ units}$$

$$= \sqrt{3 \times 3 \times 2} \text{ units } = 3\sqrt{2} \text{ units}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(0+3)^2 + (3-0)^2} \text{ units } = \sqrt{9+9} \text{ units } = \sqrt{18} \text{ units}$$

$$= 3\sqrt{2} \text{ units}$$

$$\therefore AC^2 + BC^2 = (3\sqrt{2})^2 + (3\sqrt{2})^2$$
or, $AC^2 + BC^2 = 18 + 18 = 36 = (6)^2$
or, $AC^2 + BC^2 = AB^2$

: By converse theorem of Pythagoras \triangle ABC is right-angled triangle in which AC = BC

Ans. : The triangle formed by the given three points is an isosceles right-angled triangle.

3. Show that the points (2, 5), (5, 9), (9, 12) and (6, 8) form a rhombus when they are joined orderly.

Ans. Let, A (2, 5), B (5, 9), C (9, 12), D (6, 8)

$$\therefore AB = \sqrt{(5-2)^2 + (9-5)^2} \text{ units } = \sqrt{9+16} \text{ units } = \sqrt{25} \text{ units } = 5 \text{ units}$$
$$BC = \sqrt{(9-5)^2 + (12-9)^2} \text{ units } = \sqrt{16+9} \text{ units } = \sqrt{25} \text{ units } = 5 \text{ units}$$
$$CD = \sqrt{(6-9)^2 + (8-12)^2} \text{ units } = \sqrt{9+16} \text{ units } = \sqrt{25} \text{ units } = 5 \text{ units}$$
$$DA = \sqrt{(2-6)^2 + (5-8)^2} \text{ units } = \sqrt{16+9} \text{ units } = \sqrt{25} \text{ units } = 5 \text{ units}$$

 \therefore AB = BC = CD = DA

Ans. : The quadrilateral formed by the given four points is a rhombus.

4. Check whether the three points O (0, 0), A(4, 3) and B(8, 6) are collinear and give reason.

Ans.

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$$OA = \sqrt{(4-0)^2 + (3-0)^2}$$
 units $= \sqrt{16+9}$ units $= 5$ units
 $AB = \sqrt{(8-4)^2 + (6-3)^2}$ units $= \sqrt{16+9}$ units $= 5$ units
 $OB = \sqrt{(8-0)^2 + (6-0)^2}$ units $= \sqrt{64+36}$ units $= 10$ units
:. $OA + AB = 5 + 5 = 10 = OB$

: The given three points O, A, B are collinear.