THE VOCABULARY OF CIRCLES

Unit 4A: Angle Relationships of Circles

SYMBOLS AND NOTATIONS

Segment AB	\overline{AB}
Line AB	\overleftarrow{AB}
Point C	С
Arc AB	ÂB
Arc ABC	ABC

CIRCLE



DIAMETER

Diameter: A segment that has endpoints on a circle and that passes through the center of the circle.



RADIUS

Radius: A segment whose endpoints are the center of a circle and a point on the circle.



CENTER



The given point from which all points on a circle are the same distance.

CHORD Chord: A segment whose endpoints both lie on the same circle. chord

SECANT

Secant: A line that intersects a circle at two points.



TANGENT

Tangent: A line that is in the same plane as a circle and intersects the circle at exactly one point. The radius is perpendicular to the tangent at the point of tangency.



ARC



A connected section of the circumference of a circle.





Draw a red center.





Draw a green diameter.



Draw an orange chord.





Draw a purple secant.



