

If you are confident that you can solve nearly any geometry problem that might arise on the USAMO, and find the five problems below pretty easy, then **Scholars Math 10.1: Olympiad Geometry** would only serve as a review for you.

The final two problems in this list are examples of more challenging problems we will tackle in this class.

1. A point D is placed on side BC of triangle ABC . Circles are inscribed in ABD and ACD . Their common exterior tangent (other than BC) meets AD at K . Prove that the length of AK is independent of D .
2. From vertex A of triangle ABC , perpendiculars AM and AN are drawn to the bisectors of the exterior angles of the triangle at B and C . Prove that MN is equal to half the perimeter of ABC .
3. Given is cube $ABCD A' B' C' D'$ (A connected to A' , B , C , and likewise for the others). Points M and N are on AA' and BC' so that line MN intersects line $B'D$. Find $\frac{BC'}{BN} - \frac{AM}{AA'}$.
4. ABC is an acute-angled triangle. The incircle touches BC at K . The altitude AD has midpoint M . The line KM meets the incircle again at N . Show that the circumcircle of BCN is tangent to the incircle of ABC at N .
5. Let I be the incenter of triangle ABC . Prove that $(IA)(IB)(IC) = 4Rr^2$, where R is the circumradius of ABC and r is the inradius of ABC .

Don't look at the next page until you've attempted all the problems!

Solution guides are below. (The answers to problem sets and challenges given in the class will include full detailed solutions as opposed to the mere answers provided below.)

1. See the 'A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words' section of the 'How to Write a Solution' article in the Articles subsection of the Resources page at www.artofproblemsolving.com.
2. See the 'Follow the Lemmas' section of the 'How to Write a Solution' article in the Articles subsection of the Resources page at www.artofproblemsolving.com.
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4. Here's a rough sketch of how to get to the solution. Let P be where the extension of NK meets the perpendicular bisector of BC . Then show that $(NK)(KP) = (BK)(KC)$, so that P is on the circumcircle on BCN . Deduce that N, I , and K are collinear, and hence the circles are tangent at N .
5. See the 'Bookends' section of the 'How to Write a Solution' article in the Articles subsection of the Resources page at www.artofproblemsolving.com.