

## **Def. Postulate**

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**A geometric statement that is assumed to be true.**

## **Post. 2.1**

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**Through any 2 pts., there is exactly 1 line.**

## **Post. 2.2**

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**Through any 3 noncollinear pts.,  
there is exactly 1 plane.**

## **Post. 2.3**

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**A line contains at least 2 pts.**

## **Post. 2.4**

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**A plane contains at least  
3 noncollinear pts.**

## **Post. 2.5**

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**If 2 pts. lie in a plane, then the  
entire line containing those 2  
pts. also lies in that plane.**

## **Post. 2.6**

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**If 2 lines intersect, then their intersection is exactly 1 point.**

## **Post. 2.7**

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**If 2 planes intersect, then their intersection is a line.**

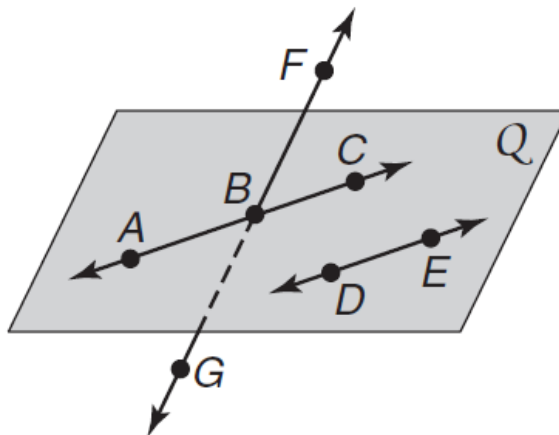
Use postulates to determine whether each statement is *always*, *sometimes*, or *never* true.

1. A line contains exactly one point.
2. Noncollinear points  $R$ ,  $S$ , and  $T$  are contained in exactly one plane.
3. Any two lines  $\ell$  and  $m$  intersect.
4. If points  $G$  and  $H$  are contained in plane  $\mathcal{M}$ , then  $\overline{GH}$  is perpendicular to plane  $\mathcal{M}$ .
5. Planes  $\mathcal{R}$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  intersect in point  $T$ .
6. If points  $A$ ,  $B$ , and  $C$  are noncollinear, then segments  $\overline{AB}$ ,  $\overline{BC}$ , and  $\overline{CA}$  are contained in exactly one plane.

In the figure,  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{DE}$  are in plane  $Q$  and  $\overline{AC} \parallel \overline{DE}$ . State the postulate that can be used to show each statement is true.

7. Exactly one plane contains points  $F$ ,  $B$ , and  $E$ .

8.  $\overline{BE}$  lies in plane  $Q$ .



## **5 Essential parts of a good proof:**

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- 1) State the theorem or conjecture to be proven.**
- 2) List the given information.**
- 3) If possible, draw a diagram to illustrate the given information.**
- 4) State what is to be proved.**
- 5) Develop a system of deductive reasoning - do the proof.**

## **Def. Theorem**

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**A geometric statement that must be proven.**

**Th. 2.1 The Midpt. Theorem**

**If M is the midpt. of  $\overline{AB}$ , then  $\overline{AM} \cong \overline{MB}$**