Alternate Exterior Angles

Examples & Non-Examples

Example	Example	Non-Example
60°	120° 120°	120°

Definition

Alternate exterior angles are a pair of angles formed when a transversal crosses two lines, and they are:

- On opposite sides of the transversal
- Outside the two lines

Key fact:

If the two lines are **parallel**, then **alternate exterior angles are congruent** (equal in measure).

Example:

If line l and line m are parallel, and transversal t crosses them, then angle 1 and angle 2 form a pair of alternate exterior angles — and they are congruent.



