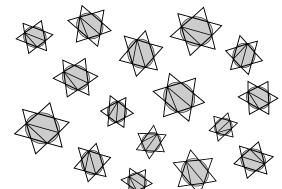


Problem of the Week Problem B and Solution Something's Missing...

Problem

The figures in the diagram below are similar. They each contain a circle and some straight lines.

- a) Suppose new figures are created by removing all straight lines which lie outside the circle from 75% of the figures.
 - (i) Draw a diagram showing what one of the new figures would look like.
 - (ii) How many new figures are created?
 - (iii) How many of the original figures remain unchanged?



- b) Now suppose that the circle is removed from $\frac{2}{3}$ of the new figures created in part a).
 - (i) How many of the new figures from part a) will still contain a circle?
 - (ii) Draw a diagram of one of the new figures with the circle removed. Then name all the geometric shapes formed by the straight lines in this figure.

Solution

a) (i) A typical new figure would look like this:



- (ii) There are 16 figures in total. Since $75\% = \frac{75}{100} = \frac{3}{4} = \frac{12}{16}$, that tells us 12 new figures were created.
- (iii) There are 16 figures in total and 12 of them were changed. So 16 12 = 4of the original figures remain unchanged.
- b) (i) There were 12 new figures created in part a). Since $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{8}{12}$, that tells us 8 of the figures have no circle, so 12 - 8 = 4 will still have a circle.
 - (ii) A typical new figure would look like this:



It contains a pentagon, a hexagon, two trapezoids, and two triangles, as shown below.

