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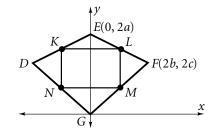
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Prove: The midpoints of the sides of a kite determine a rectangle.

Given: Kite DEFG with DE = EF and DG = GF; K, L, M,

and N are midpoints of the sides.

Prove: *KLMN* is a rectangle.



Read and Understand

- **1.** What information is given? _____
- 2. What are the characteristics of a kite? _____
- **3.** What are you asked to prove? _____

Plan and Solve

- **4.** What are the coordinates of points *D* and *G*?
- **5.** Use the midpoint formula to find the coordinates of points L, M, N, and K.
- **6.** Find the slopes of line segments \overline{KL} , \overline{NM} , \overline{KN} , and \overline{LM} .
- 7. What can you conclude about the relationships of the pairs of opposite sides of KLMN? What does this show about *KLMN*? ______
- **8.** What can you conclude about the pairs of adjacent sides of *KLMN*?
- **9.** What kind of angles are $\angle KNM$, $\angle NML$, $\angle MLK$, and $\angle LKN$?

Look Back and Check

10. Check your answer for reasonableness by substituting values for the variables a, b, and c.

Solve Another Problem

11. Outline a proof that the diagonals of *DEFG* are perpendicular.