A counterexample is an example that shows that a statement is false.

## EXA MPLE Tell whether the statement is true or false. If false, give a counterexample.

a. If a polygon has four sides and opposite sides are parallel, then it is a rectangle.

False. A counterexample is the parallelogram shown.

b. If $x^{2}=49$, then $x=7$.

- False. A counterexample is $x=-7$, because $(-7)^{2}=49$.


## PRACTICE

Rewrite the conditional statement in if-then form. Then write its converse and tell whether the converse is true or false.

1. The graph of the equation $y=m x+b$ is a line.
2. You will earn $\$ 35$ for working 5 hours.
3. Abby can go swimming if she finishes her homework.
4. In a right triangle, the sum of the squares of the lengths of the legs equals the square of the length of the hypotenuse.
5. $x=5$ when $4 x+8=28$.
6. The sum of two even numbers is an even number.

Tell whether the biconditional statement is true or false. Explain.
7. Two lines are perpendicular if and only if they intersect to form a right angle.
8. $x^{3}=27$ if and only if $x=3$.
9. A vegetable is a carrot if and only if it is orange.
10. A rhombus is a square if and only if it has four right angles.
11. The graph of a function is a parabola if and only if the function is $y=x^{2}$.
12. An integer is odd if and only if it is not even.

Tell whether the statement is true or false. If false, give a counterexample.
13. If an integer is not negative, then it is positive.
14. If you were born in the summer, then you were born in July.
15. If a polygon has exactly 5 congruent sides, then the polygon is a pentagon.
16. If $x=-6$, then $x^{2}=36$.
17. If $B$ is 6 inches from $A$ and 8 inches from $C$, then $A$ is 14 inches from $C$.
18. If a triangle is isosceles, then it is obtuse.
19. If Charlie has $\$ 1.00$ in coins, then he has four quarters.
20. If you are in Montana, then you are in the United States.

