## Central and Inscribed Angles

- <u>Def.</u> A <u>circle</u> is a set of all points in a plane that are a given distance from a point. This point is called the <u>center</u>.
- <u>Def</u>. A <u>radius</u> of a circle is a segment with one endpoint at the center and the other endpoint on the circle.
- <u>Def.</u> A <u>diameter</u> of a circle connects two points on the circle and passes through the center.



This is  $\bigcirc P$ 

<u>Def.</u> A <u>central angle</u> is an angle whose vertex is the center of a circle. The angle will create two <u>arcs</u> on the circle.



 $\angle LEY$  is a central angle

 $\widehat{LY}$  is a minor arc because its measure is less than 180°

LY

 $\widehat{LUY}$  is a major arc because its measure is greater than 180°

•An arc is measured by its central angle

<u>Ex.</u> Find  $\widehat{mAB}$  and  $\widehat{mACB}$ 



<u>Def.</u> The endpoints of the diameter of a circle separates the circle into two arcs called <u>semicircles</u>.



Pencils down! Can you identify each arc listed as major, minor or semi circle?



## Arc Addition Postulate

The measure of an arc formed by two adjacent arcs is the sum of the measures of the two arcs.

$$\widehat{mADB} = \widehat{mAD} + \widehat{mDB}$$



The minute hand of a clock sweeps out an arc as time moves forward. From 3:10 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., what is the measure of this arc? Explain your reasoning.



A <u>chord</u> is a segment that connects two points on a circle.



Remember, central angles have their vertex at the center of the circle.

<u>Def.</u> An <u>inscribed angle</u> is an angle whose vertex is on a circle and whose sides are chords.



Notice that it contains  $\widehat{AC}$ 

Remember, the measure of an arc is the same as its central angle.

What if it's created by an inscribed angle?

<u>Thm.</u> The measure of an inscribed angle is half the measure of its intercepted arc.



inscribed angle  $=\frac{1}{2}$  (arc)

## How many more angle or arc measures can we find?



## <u>Ex.</u> If $m \angle MAH = 31^\circ$ , find $m \angle MTH$ .



<u>Thm.</u> Two inscribed angles that contain the same arc are congruent.



<u>Thm.</u> If an inscribed angle cuts off a semicircle, then it is a right angle.

