## Example

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\overline{X A B}, \overline{X C D}
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Given: $\quad X A=X C$

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A B=C D
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Prove: $\quad X B=X D$
Looking at what I want to prove, $X B=X D$, which are two line segments suggests that I might want to use the Segment Addition Postulate. Before I begin the TProof, let's mark on the diagram the segments that are equal.


Now we can see on the diagram $\mathrm{XA}=\mathrm{XC}$, and $\mathrm{AB}=\mathrm{CD}$. Knowing the sum of the parts is equal to the whole, we are ready to do the proof. We'll write what was given as the first step, then fill in the equalities we have on the diagram.

Now, as we do the proof we will keep referring back to the picture that was labeled and the equal parts identified.

|  | $\frac{\text { STATEMENTS }}{\overline{X A B}, \overline{X C D}}$ |
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| 1. |  |
| 2. | $\mathrm{XA}=\mathrm{XC}, \mathrm{AB}=\mathrm{CD}$ |
| 3. | $\mathrm{XA}+\mathrm{AB}=\mathrm{XB}=\mathrm{XB}$ |
|  | $\mathrm{XC}+\mathrm{CD}=\mathrm{XD}$ |
| 4. | $\mathrm{XB}=\mathrm{XD}$ |

4. $\mathrm{XB}=\mathrm{XD}$

REASONS
Given

Add Prop Equality
Segment Add Postulate
Substitution into step 2

