## Possible Solution

How can the following parallelogram be decomposed into a rectangle to find the area?

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Remember that students will be decomposing the shape. The easiest way to work with this is to either create a paper shape that looks similar and move, or manipulate it on the paper. Students will decompose the parallelogram, moving the triangle formed and shown to the other side to create a rectangle.


Then, students can use the formula for the rectangle to solve, which will come into play for the standard 6.8C. If using these 2 in conjunction with each other, they can do both. So, they would multiply the base, the longest length in this case 25 , by the height (width or smaller side, in this case 12) to solve.

So, $A=25 \times 12$, which means the Area of this parallelogram is 300 .

