

**1** Let  $G$  and  $H$  be groups, let  $\varphi: G \rightarrow H$  be an isomorphism, and let  $a \in G$ . Prove that  $|\varphi(a)| = |a|$ .

2 Let  $G$  be a group. The **center** of  $G$  is

$$Z(G) = \{z \in G \mid zg = gz \text{ for all } g \in G\}.$$

- (a) Prove that  $Z(G)$  is a subgroup of  $G$ .
- (b) Prove that  $Z(G)$  is abelian.
- (c) Let  $n \geq 3$  be an integer. Prove that

$$Z(D_n) = \begin{cases} \{1\} & \text{if } n \text{ is odd;} \\ \{1, r^{n/2}\} & \text{if } n \text{ is even.} \end{cases}$$