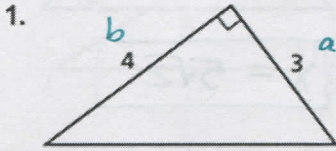


9.1 - 9.3 Practice Worksheet

9.1 Pythagorean Theorem and Triples

In Exercises 1-3 find the value of x . Then tell whether the side lengths form a Pythagorean triple.

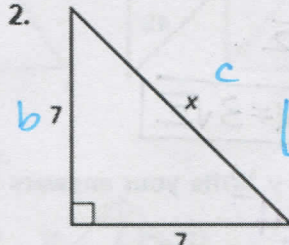


$x=5$
yes

$$3^2 + 4^2 = x^2$$

$$9 + 16 = x^2$$

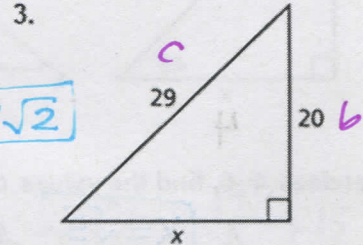
$$25 = x^2$$



$x=7\sqrt{2}$
no

$$7^2 + 7^2 = x^2$$

$$49 + 49 = x^2$$



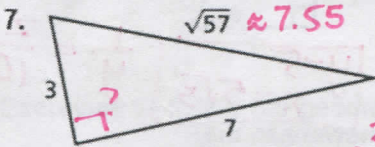
$x=21$
yes

$$x^2 + 20^2 = 29^2$$

$$x^2 + 400 = 841$$

$$x^2 = 441$$

In Exercises 7 and 8, tell whether the triangle is a right triangle.

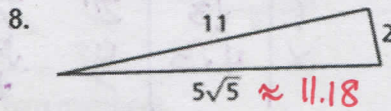


$$3^2 + 7^2 = (\sqrt{57})^2$$

$$9 + 49 = 57$$

$$58 > 57$$

NO; acute



$$2^2 + 11^2 = (5\sqrt{5})^2$$

$$4 + 121 = 125$$

$$125 = 125$$

yes, right

In Exercises 9-12, verify that the segment lengths form a triangle. Is the triangle acute, right, or obtuse?

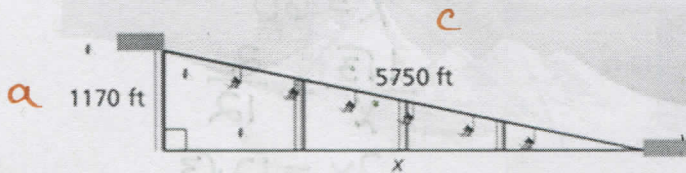
9. 5, 12, and 13 $5+12 > 13$ ✓
 $5^2 + 12^2 = 13^2$
 yes, triple

10. 5, 7, and 8 $5+7 > 8$ ✓
 $5^2 + 7^2 = 8^2$
 $25 + 49 = 64$
 $74 > 64$
 yes, acute

11. 2, 10, and 11 $2+10 > 11$ ✓
 $2^2 + 10^2 = 11^2$
 $4 + 100 < 121$
 yes, obtuse

12. $\sqrt{8}$, 4, and 6 $\sqrt{8}+4 > 6$ ✓
 $(\sqrt{8})^2 + 4^2 = 6^2$
 $8 + 16 = 36$
 yes, obtuse

13. A ski lift forms a right triangle, as shown. Use the Pythagorean Theorem (Theorem 9.1) to approximate the horizontal distance traveled by a person riding the ski lift. Round your answer to the nearest whole foot.



$$(1170)^2 + x^2 = (5750)^2$$

$$1368900 + x^2 = 33062500$$

$$x^2 = 31693600$$

$$x \approx 5629.707 \text{ ft}$$

$\approx 5630 \text{ ft}$

9.2 Special Right Triangles

In Exercises 1-3, find the value of x . Write your answer in simplest form.

1. $x=4$

$\frac{4\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}}$

2. $x=3\sqrt{2}$

$3 \cdot \sqrt{2}$

3. $x=5\sqrt{2}$

In Exercises 4-6, find the values of x and y . Write your answers in simplest form.

4. $x=\sqrt{3}$, $y=2$

sl	ll	hyp
1	$\sqrt{3}$	2
1	x	y

$\frac{1}{1} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{x}$
 $\frac{1}{1} = \frac{2}{y}$

5. $x=4$, $y=8$

sl	ll	hyp
1	$\sqrt{3}$	2
x	$4\sqrt{3}$	y

$\frac{1}{x} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4\sqrt{3}}$
 $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{4\sqrt{3}} = \frac{2}{y}$

6. $y=5$, $x=5\sqrt{3}$

sl	ll	hyp
1	$\sqrt{3}$	2
y	x	10

$\frac{1}{y} = \frac{2}{10}$, $\frac{\sqrt{3}}{x} = \frac{2}{10}$

In Exercises 7 and 8, find the area of the figure. Round decimal answers to the nearest tenth.

7. $x \approx 7.78$

$x^2 + x^2 = 11^2$
 $2x^2 = 121$
 $x^2 = \frac{121}{2}$
 $x = \frac{11}{\sqrt{2}}$

$A = s^2$
 $= (\frac{11}{\sqrt{2}})^2$
 $= \frac{121}{2} \text{ m}^2$
 $\approx 60.5 \text{ m}^2$

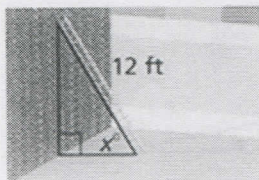
8. $A \approx 173.2 \text{ yd}^2$

sl	ll	hyp
1	$\sqrt{3}$	2
y	x	20

$A = \frac{1}{2}(20)(10\sqrt{3})$
 $= 10(10\sqrt{3})$
 $= 100\sqrt{3} \text{ yd}^2$
 $\approx 173.2 \text{ yd}^2$

9. A 12-foot ladder is leaning up against a wall, as shown. How high does the ladder reach up the wall when x is 30° ? 45° ? 60° ? Round decimal answers to the nearest tenth, if necessary.

$x=30^\circ$
 $\frac{12}{2} = 6 \text{ ft}$

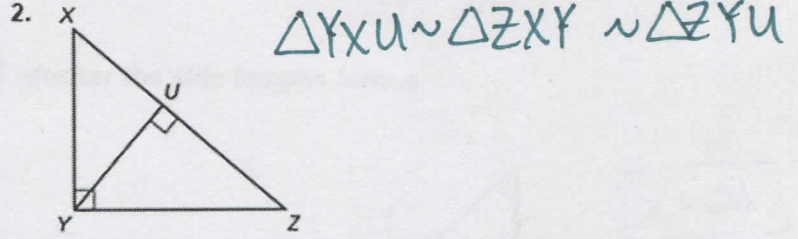
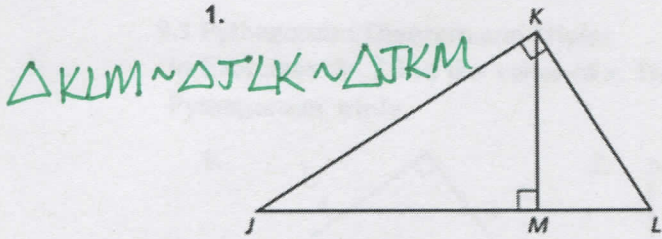


$x=60^\circ$
 $\frac{1\sqrt{3}}{x} = \frac{2}{12}$
 $2x = 12\sqrt{3}$
 $x = 6\sqrt{3} \text{ ft}$
 $\approx 10.4 \text{ ft}$

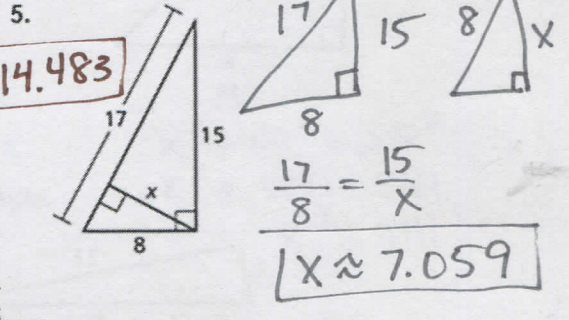
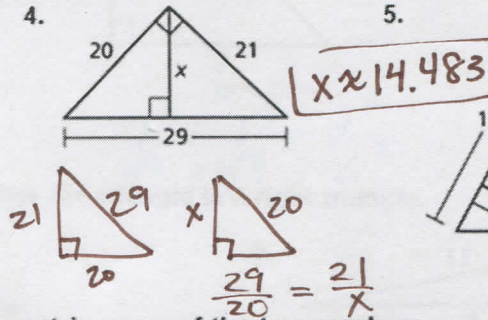
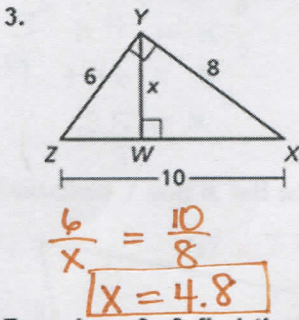
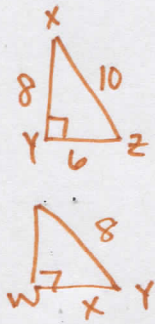
$x=45^\circ$
 $\frac{12}{\sqrt{2}} = 6\sqrt{2} \text{ ft}$
 $\approx 8.485 \text{ ft}$
 $\approx 8.5 \text{ ft}$

9.3 Geometric Mean

In Exercises 1 and 2, identify the similar triangles.



In Exercises 3–5, find the value of x .



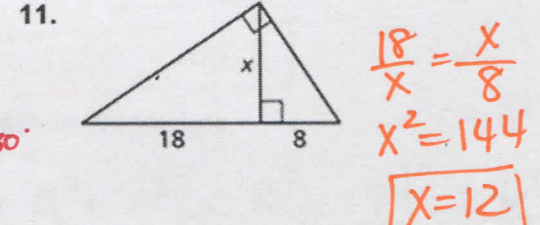
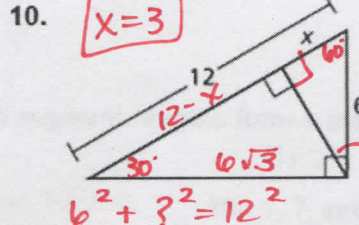
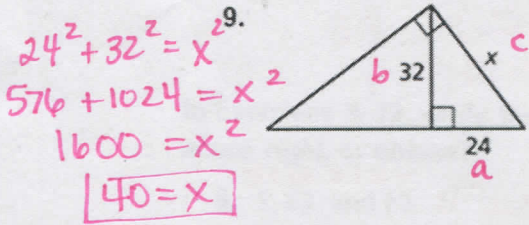
In Exercises 6–8, find the geometric mean of the two numbers.

6. 3 and 12 $\frac{3}{x} = \frac{x}{12}$
 $x = 6$

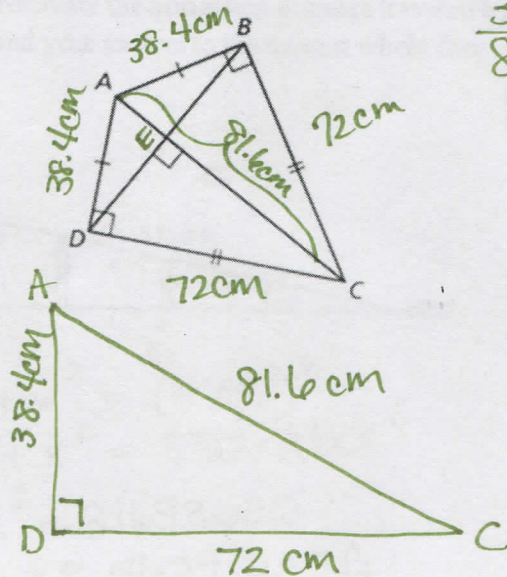
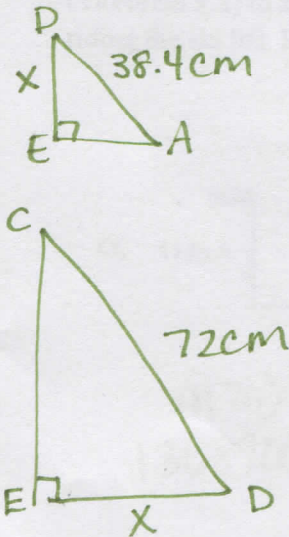
7. 4 and 14 $\frac{4}{x} = \frac{x}{14}$
 $x = \sqrt{56} = 2\sqrt{14} \approx 7.483$

8. 10 and 24 $\frac{10}{x} = \frac{x}{24}$
 $x = \sqrt{240} = 4\sqrt{15} \approx 15.49$

In Exercises 9–11, find the value of x .



12. You are designing a diamond-shaped kite. You know that $AB = 38.4$ centimeters, $BC = 72$ centimeters, and $AC = 81.6$ centimeters. You want to use a straight crossbar \overline{BD} . About how long should it be?



$\frac{38.4}{81.6} = \frac{x}{72}$
 $81.6x = 2764.8$
 $x = 33.882$
 $= 2(33.882)$
 $= 67.765$
 $BD \approx 67.765 \text{ cm}$