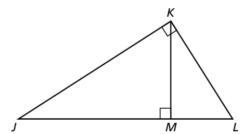
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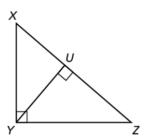
## **Practice A**

In Exercises 1 and 2, identify the similar triangles.

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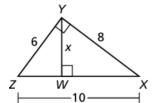


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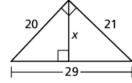


In Exercises 3–5, find the value of x.

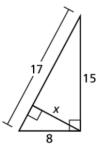
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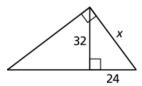
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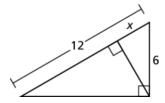
In Exercises 6-8, find the geometric mean of the two numbers.

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

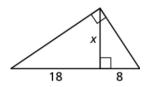
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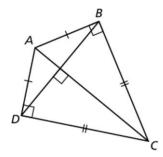
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**12.** You are designing a diamond-shaped kite. You know that AB = 38.4 centimeters, BC = 72 centimeters, and AC = 81.6 centimeters. You want to use a straight crossbar  $\overline{BD}$ . About how long should it be?

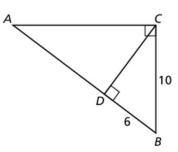


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## **Practice B**

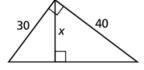
In Exercises 1-3, use the diagram.

- 1. Identify the similar triangles.
- **2.** Which segment's length is the geometric mean of *AB* and *DB*?
- **3.** Find CD, AD, and AC.

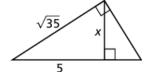


In Exercises 4–6, find the value of x.

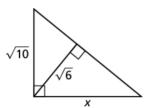
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In Exercises 7–9, find the geometric mean of the two numbers.

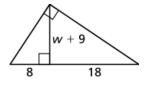
**7.** 12 and 24

**8.** 16 and 25

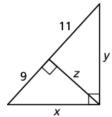
**9.**  $\frac{1}{2}$  and 40

In Exercises 10–12, find the value(s) of the variable(s).

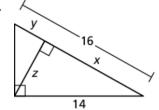
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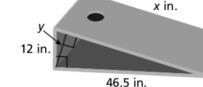
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**13.** You build a cornhole game. The game is constructed from a sheet of plywood supported by two boards. The two boards form a right angle and their lengths are 12 inches and 46.5 inches.



- **a.** Find the length x of the plywood to the nearest inch.
- **b.** You put in a support that is altitude *y* to the hypotenuse of the right triangle. What is the length of the support? Round your answer to the nearest tenth.
- **c.** Where does the support attach to the plywood? Explain.