

MATHEMATICS GRADE 9



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TOPIC: Pythagoras' Theorem

CONCEPTS & SKILLS TO BE ACHIEVED: By the end of the lesson learners should know and be able to:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Solve problems using the Theorem of Pythagoras Use the Theorem of Pythagoras to solve problems involving unknown lengths in geometric figures that contain right-angled triangles 	
RESOURCES:	DBE Workbook, Sasol-Inzalo book, Textbooks,
ONLINE RESOURCES	

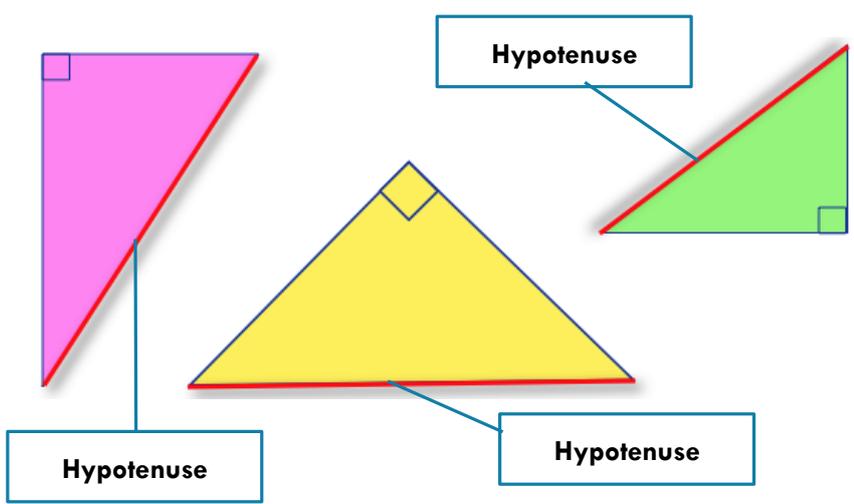
DAY 1: ACTIVITY 1:

LESSON DEVELOPMENT

DAY 1: Revision:

NOTE TO LEARNER:

- Pythagoras' Theorem is a rule that applies only to right-angled triangles.
- A right-angled triangle has one 90° angle. The longest side of the right-angled triangle is called the hypotenuse.



Investigating squares on the sides of right-angled triangles:

CLASSWORK:

Work through the exercise. Only consult the answers at the end of the lesson, once you have completed the exercise:

1. The figure shows a right-angled triangle with squares on each of the sides.

(a) Write down the areas (count the small squares) of the following:

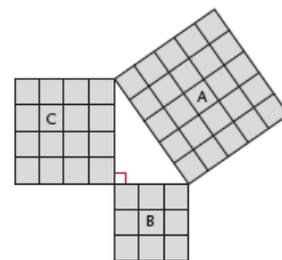
Square A

Square B

Square C

(b) Add the area of square B and the area of square C.

(c) What do you notice about the areas?



2. The figure is similar to the one in question 1. The lengths of the sides of the right-angled triangle are 5 cm and 12 cm.

(a) What is the length of the hypotenuse? Count the squares.

(b) Use the squares to find the following:

Area of A

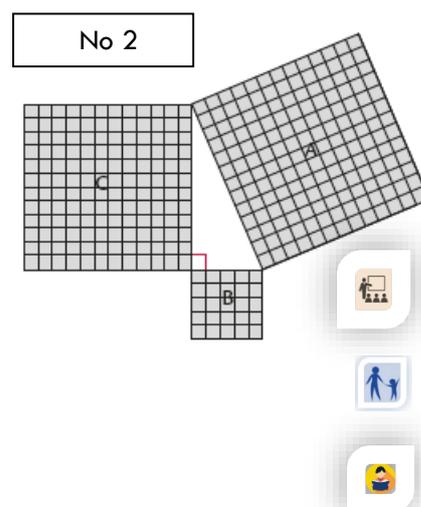
Area of B

Area of C

Area of B + Area of C

(c) What do you notice about the areas?

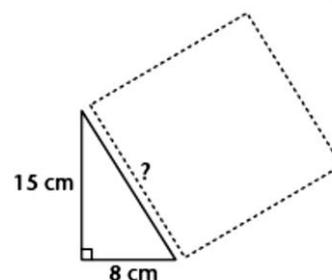
Is it similar to your answer in 1(c)?



3. A right-angled triangle has side lengths of 8 cm and 15 cm. Use your findings in the previous questions to answer the following questions:

(a) What is the area of the square drawn along the hypotenuse?

(b) What is the length of the triangle's hypotenuse?



THUS: Pythagoras' Theorem says:

In a right-angled triangle, a square formed on the hypotenuse will have the same area as the sum of the area of the two squares formed on the other sides of the triangle.

We can also reason that the Pythagoras' Theorem applies in two ways:

- If a triangle is right-angled, the sides will have the following relationship: $(\text{Hypotenuse})^2 = (\text{Side 1})^2 + (\text{Side 2})^2$.
- If the sides have the relationship: $(\text{Longest side})^2 = (\text{Side 1})^2 + (\text{Side 2})^2$, then the triangle is a right-angled triangle.
- So, we can test if any triangle is right-angled WITHOUT USING A PROTRACTOR.

CONSOLIDATION

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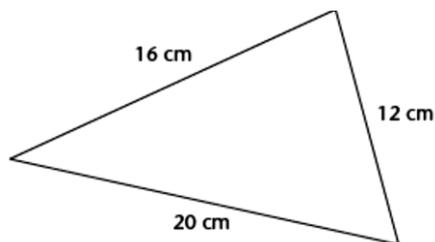
- If a triangle is right-angled, the sides will have the following relationship:
(Hypotenuse)² = (Side 1)² + (Side 2)².
- If the sides have the relationship: (Longest side)² = (Side 1)² + (Side 2)², then the triangle is a right-angled triangle.



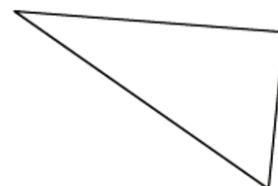
HOMEWORK:

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1. Is a triangle with sides 12 cm, 16 cm and 20 cm right-angled?



2. This triangle's side lengths are 29 mm, 20 mm and 21 mm.
(a) Prove that it is a right-angled triangle.
(b) Copy the triangle and mark the right angle in the diagram.



MEMORANDUM: DAY 1:

CLASSWORK:

- 1(a) Square A = 25 square units (5 units in length × 5 units in width)
Square B = 9 square units (3 units in length × 3 units in width)
Square C = 16 square units (4 units in length × 4 units in width)
- 1(b) Square B + Square C
9 square units + 16 square units = 25 square units
- 1(c) The Area of Square A = Area of square B + Area of square C
- 2 (a) Length of hypotenuse = 13 squares (13 cm)



2(b) Area of A: $13 \text{ cm} \times 13 \text{ cm} = 169 \text{ cm}^2$
Area of B: $5 \text{ cm} \times 5 \text{ cm} = 25 \text{ cm}^2$
Area of C: $12 \text{ cm} \times 12 \text{ cm} = 144 \text{ cm}^2$
Area of B + Area of C: $144 \text{ cm}^2 + 25 \text{ cm}^2 = 169 \text{ cm}^2$

2(c) The sum of the areas of the two squares formed on the sides of the right-angled triangle is equal to the area of the square formed on the hypotenuse.
Yes, it is similar to the answer in 1(c).

3 (a) Area of hypotenuse = Area of 8 cm side + Area of 15 cm side
 \therefore Area of 8 cm side = $8 \text{ cm} \times 8 \text{ cm}$
 $= 64 \text{ cm}^2$
 \therefore Area of 15 cm side = $15 \text{ cm} \times 15 \text{ cm}$
 $= 225 \text{ cm}^2$
 \therefore Area of hypotenuse = $64 \text{ cm}^2 + 225 \text{ cm}^2$
 $= 289 \text{ cm}^2$

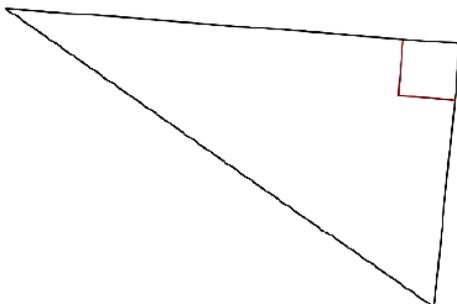
3 (b) Length of hypotenuse = $\sqrt{289}$
 $= 17 \text{ cm}$

HOMEWORK:

1 If the triangle is a right-angled triangle then:
 $(\text{Longest side})^2 = (\text{side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2$
LHS $(\text{Longest side})^2$: $20^2 = 400 \text{ cm}^2$
RHS $(\text{Side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2$: $16^2 + 12^2$
 $= 256 \text{ cm}^2 + 144 \text{ cm}^2$
 $= 400 \text{ cm}^2$
LHS = RHS
 \therefore Triangle is a right-angled triangle.

2 (a) If the triangle is a right-angled triangle then:
 $(\text{Longest side})^2 = (\text{side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2$
LHS $(\text{Longest side})^2$: $29^2 = 841 \text{ cm}^2$
RHS $(\text{Side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2$: $20^2 + 21^2$
 $= 400 \text{ cm}^2 + 441 \text{ cm}^2$
 $= 841 \text{ cm}^2$
LHS = RHS
 \therefore Triangle is a right-angled triangle.

2 (b)





DAY 2:

LESSON DEVELOPMENT

CLASSWORK:

FINDING MISSING SIDES

IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT:

You can use the Pythagoras' Theorem to find the lengths of missing sides if you know that a triangle is right-angled.

Work through the examples that demonstrates finding **the missing hypotenuse**:

- Calculate the length of the hypotenuse if the lengths of the other two sides are six units and eight units.

$\triangle ABC$ is right-angled, so: $AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$

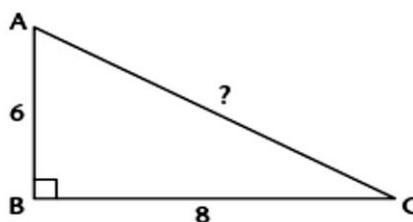
$$= (6^2 + 8^2) \text{ units}^2$$

$$= 36 + 64 \text{ units}^2$$

$$= 100 \text{ units}^2$$

$$AC = \sqrt{100} \text{ units}$$

$$= 10 \text{ units}$$



BUT:

Sometimes the square root of a number is not a whole number or a simple fraction. In these cases, you can leave the answer under the square root sign. This form of the number is called a **surd**.

Example:

Calculate the length of the hypotenuse

of $\triangle ABC$ if $\angle B = 90^\circ$, $AB =$ two units and $BC =$ five units.

Leave your answer in surd form, where applicable.

Remember when taking the square root that

length is always positive.

$$AC^2 = AB^2 + BC^2$$

SURD FORM

You pronounce *surd* so that it rhymes with word. $\sqrt{5}$ is an example of a number in surd form.

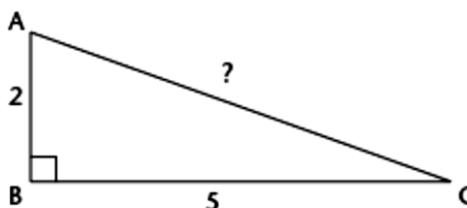
$\sqrt{9}$ is not a surd because you can simplify it: $\sqrt{9} = 3$.

$$= 2^2 + 5^2 \text{ units}^2$$

$$= 4 + 25 \text{ units}^2$$

$$= 29 \text{ units}^2$$

$$AC = \sqrt{29} \text{ units}$$



CONSOLIDATION

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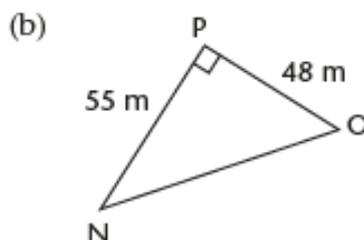
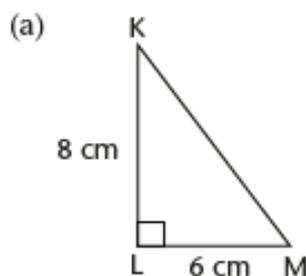
- If a triangle is right-angled, the sides will have the following relationship: $(\text{Hypotenuse})^2 = (\text{Side 1})^2 + (\text{Side 2})^2$.
- If the sides have the relationship: $(\text{Longest side})^2 = (\text{Side 1})^2 + (\text{Side 2})^2$, then the triangle is a right-angled triangle.
- You can use the Pythagoras' Theorem to find the lengths of missing sides if you know that a triangle is right-angled



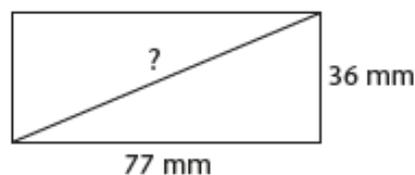
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1. Find the length of the hypotenuse in each of the triangles shown on the following page. Leave the answers in surd form where applicable.



2. A rectangle has sides with lengths of 36 mm and 77 mm. Find the length of the rectangle's diagonal.



MEMORANDUM: DAY 2:

HOMEWORK:

1 (a) Because ΔKLM is a right-angled triangle:

$$KM^2 = KL^2 + LM^2$$

$$KM^2 = 8^2 + 6^2$$

$$KM^2 = 64 \text{ cm}^2 + 36 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$KM^2 = 100 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$\therefore KM = \sqrt{100}$$

$$KM = 10 \text{ cm}$$



1 (b) Because ΔNOP is a right-angled triangle:

$$NO^2 = PN^2 + OP^2$$

$$NO^2 = 55^2 + 48^2$$

$$NO^2 = 3\,025 \text{ m}^2 + 2\,304 \text{ m}^2$$

$$NO^2 = 5\,329 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\therefore NO = \sqrt{5\,329}$$

$$NO = 73 \text{ m}$$

2 Because we have a rectangle we know that the angles are 90°
Therefore, we know that the diagonal line will be the hypotenuse
Diagonal² = $77^2 + 36^2$
Diagonal² = $5\,929 \text{ mm}^2 + 1\,296 \text{ mm}^2$
Diagonal² = $7\,225 \text{ mm}^2$
 \therefore Diagonal = $\sqrt{7\,225}$
Length of diagonal = 85 mm^2

DAY 3:

LESSON DEVELOPMENT

CLASSWORK:

FINDING MISSING SIDES IN A RIGHT-ANGLED TRIANGLE

IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT: You can use the Pythagoras' Theorem to find the lengths of missing sides if you know that a triangle is right-angled.

Work through the examples that demonstrates finding **any missing side in a right-angled triangle**

Example: Find the length of TS in the triangle below.

$$US^2 = TU^2 + TS^2$$

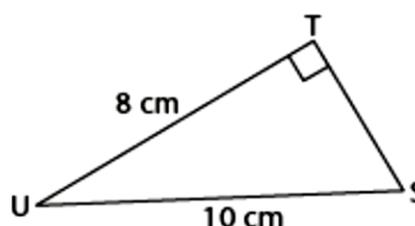
$$10^2 = 8^2 + TS^2$$

$$100 = 64 + TS^2$$

$$36 = TS^2$$

$$\sqrt{36} = TS$$

$$\therefore TS = 6 \text{ cm}$$



CONSOLIDATION

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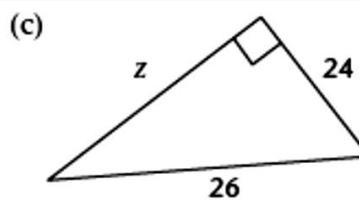
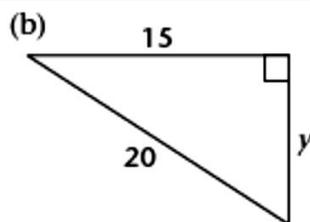
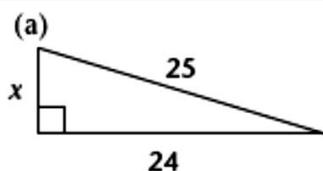
- If a triangle is right-angled, the sides will have the following relationship: (Hypotenuse)² = (Side 1)² + (Side 2)².
- If the sides have the relationship: (Longest side)² = (Side 1)² + (Side 2)², then the triangle is a right-angled triangle.
- You can use the Pythagoras' Theorem to find the lengths of any missing side if you know that a triangle is right-angled

HOMEWORK:

Do the following exercises, applying what you have learnt today. **FIRST ATTEMPT TO DO ALL YOUR HOMEWORK BEFORE YOU CHECK YOUR ANSWERS IN THE MEMORANDUM BELOW**

1. In the right-angled triangles below, calculate the length of the sides that have not been given. Leave your answers in surd form where applicable.





2. Calculate the length of the third side of each of the following right-angled triangles. First draw a rough sketch of each of the triangles before you do any calculations. Round off your answers to two decimal places.

(a) $\triangle ABC$ has $AB = 12$ cm, $BC = 18$ cm and $\angle A = 90^\circ$. Calculate AC .

(b) $\triangle DEF$ has $\angle F = 90^\circ$, $DE = 58$ cm and $DF = 41$ cm. Calculate EF .

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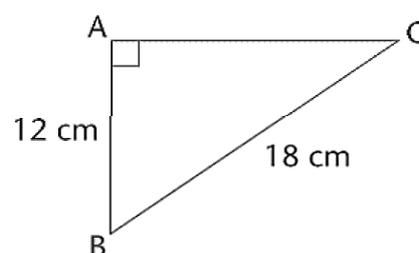
HOMEWORK:

1 (a) $25^2 = 24^2 + x^2$
 $\therefore 25^2 - 24^2 = x^2$
 $625 - 576 = x^2$
 $49 = x^2$
 $\sqrt{49} = x$
 $7 = x$

1 (b) $20^2 = 15^2 + y^2$
 $\therefore 20^2 - 15^2 = y^2$
 $400 - 225 = y^2$
 $175 = y^2$
 $\sqrt{175} = y$
 $5\sqrt{7} = y$

1(c) $26^2 = 24^2 + z^2$
 $\therefore 26^2 - 24^2 = z^2$
 $676 - 576 = z^2$
 $100 = z^2$
 $\sqrt{100} = z$
 $10 = z$

2 (a) $BC^2 = AC^2 + AB^2$
 $18^2 = AC^2 + 12^2$
 $\therefore 18^2 - 12^2 = AC^2$
 $324 - 144 = AC^2$
 $180 \text{ cm}^2 = AC^2$
 $\sqrt{180} = AC$
 $13,42 \text{ cm} = AC$





2 (b) $DE^2 = DF^2 + EF^2$

$$58^2 = 41^2 + EF^2$$

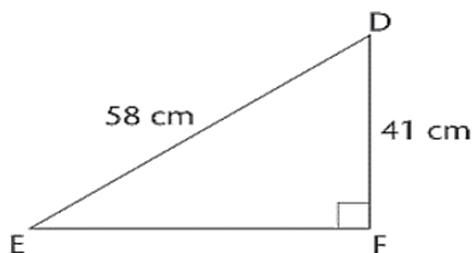
$$\therefore 58^2 - 41^2 = EF^2$$

$$3\,364 - 1\,681 = EF^2$$

$$1\,683 \text{ cm}^2 = EF^2$$

$$\sqrt{1\,683} = EF$$

$$41,02 \text{ cm} = EF$$



DAY 4:

LESSON DEVELOPMENT

CLASSWORK:

REVISE THE CHARACTERISTIC OF THE Pythagoras' Theorem

You will need to apply the Pythagoras' Theorem in solving the problems

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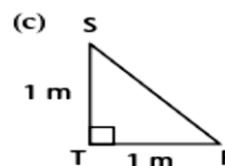
1. Determine whether the following side lengths would form right-angled triangles. All values are in the same units.

(a) 6, 8 and 10

b) 8, 15 and 17

(c) 16, 21 and 25

2. Find the length of the hypotenuse in the triangle. Leave the answers in surd form where applicable.



3. Calculate the length of the third side of each of the following right-angled triangles. First draw a rough sketch of each of the triangles before you do any calculations.

Round off your answers to two decimal places.

(a) ΔJKL has $\angle K = 90^\circ$, $JK = 119$ m and $KL = 167$ m. Calculate JL .

(b) ΔPQR has $PQ = 2$ cm, $QR = 8$ cm and $\angle Q = 90^\circ$. Calculate PR

MEMORANDUM: DAY 4:

HOMEWORK:

1 (a) If the triangle is a right-angled triangle then:

$$(\text{Longest side})^2 = (\text{side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2$$

$$\text{LHS } (\text{Longest side})^2: 10^2 = \mathbf{100 \text{ units}^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS } (\text{Side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2: & 6^2 + 8^2 \\ & = 36 \text{ units}^2 + 64 \text{ units}^2 \\ & = \mathbf{100 \text{ units}^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

\therefore Those three side lengths will form a right-angled triangle.



1 (b) If the triangle is a right-angled triangle then:

$$(\text{Longest side})^2 = (\text{side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2$$

$$\text{LHS } (\text{Longest side})^2: 17^2 = \mathbf{289 \text{ units}^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS } (\text{Side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2: & 8^2 + 15^2 \\ & = 64 \text{ units}^2 + 225 \text{ units}^2 \\ & = \mathbf{289 \text{ units}^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{LHS} = \text{RHS}$$

∴ Those three side lengths will form a right-angled triangle.

1 (c) If the triangle is a right-angled triangle then:

$$(\text{Longest side})^2 = (\text{side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2$$

$$\text{LHS } (\text{Longest side})^2: 25^2 = \mathbf{625 \text{ units}^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS } (\text{Side 1})^2 + (\text{side 2})^2: & 16^2 + 21^2 \\ & = 256 \text{ units}^2 + 441 \text{ units}^2 \\ & = \mathbf{697 \text{ units}^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{LHS} \neq \text{RHS}$$

∴ Those three side lengths will not form a right-angled triangle.

2(a) $SR^2 = TR^2 + ST^2$

$$SR^2 = 1^2 + 1^2$$

$$SR^2 = 1 + 1$$

$$SR^2 = 2 \text{ m}^2$$

$$SR = \sqrt{2} \text{ m}^2$$

3 (a) $JL^2 = KL^2 + JK^2$

$$JL^2 = 167^2 + 119^2$$

$$JL^2 = 27\,889 + 14\,161$$

$$JL^2 = 42\,050 \text{ m}^2$$

$$JL = \sqrt{42050} \text{ m}$$

$$JL = 205,06 \text{ m}$$

3 (b) $PR^2 = QP^2 + QR^2$

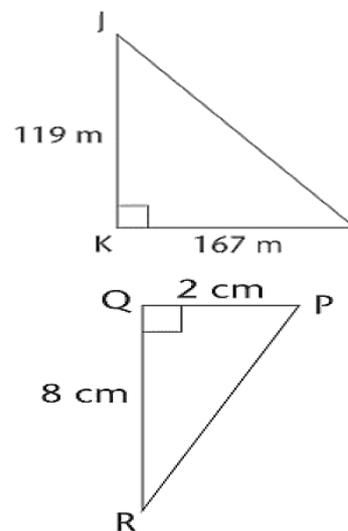
$$PR^2 = 2^2 + 8^2$$

$$PR^2 = 4 + 64$$

$$PR^2 = 68 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$PR = \sqrt{68} \text{ cm}$$

$$PR = 8,25 \text{ cm}$$



DAY 5:

LESSON DEVELOPMENT

CLASSWORK:

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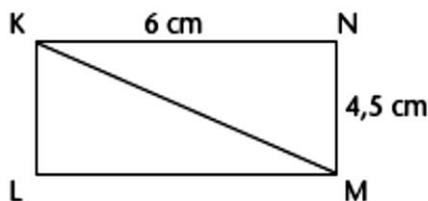
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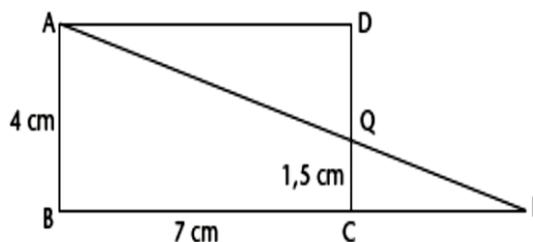
1. a) A ladder with a length of 5 m is placed at an angle against a wall. The bottom of the ladder is 1 m away from the wall. How far up the wall will the ladder reach? Round off to two decimal places.
- (b) If the ladder reaches a height of 4,5 m against the wall, how far away from the wall was it placed? Round off to two decimal places

2. a) Calculate the area of rectangle KLMN.
- (b) Calculate the perimeter of $\triangle KLM$.



3. ABCD is a rectangle with AB = 4 cm, BC = 7 cm and CQ = 1,5 cm. Round off your answers to two decimal places if the answers are not whole numbers.

- (a) What is the length of QD?
- (b) If CP = 4,2 cm, calculate the length of PQ.
- (c) Calculate the length of AQ and the area of $\triangle AQD$



MEMORANDUM: DAY 5:

HOMEWORK:

1(a) You will see from the diagram to the right that we have a right-angled triangle between the ladder and the wall.

Let the height against the wall be ***h***, Length of the ladder ***L*** and the distance from the wall ***d***.

$$L^2 = h^2 + d^2$$

$$5^2 = h^2 + 1^2$$

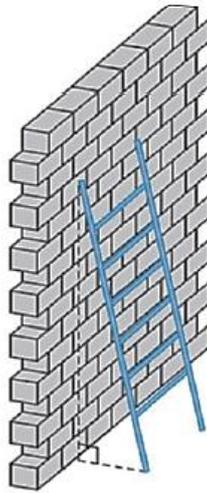
$$25 - 1^2 = h^2$$

$$24 - 1 = h^2$$

$$24 \text{ m}^2 = h^2$$

$$\therefore h = \sqrt{24} \text{ m}$$

$$h = 4,90 \text{ m}$$



1 (b) $L^2 = h^2 + d^2$

$$5^2 = 4,5^2 + d^2$$

$$25 - 20,25 = d^2$$

$$4,75 \text{ m}^2 = d^2$$

$$\therefore d = \sqrt{4,75} \text{ m}$$

$$d = 2,18 \text{ m}$$

2 (a) Area = length \times breadth

$$\text{Area} = 6 \text{ cm} \times 4,5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Area} = 27 \text{ cm}^2$$

2 (b) $KM^2 = LM^2 + KL^2$

$$KM^2 = 6^2 + 4,5^2$$

$$KM^2 = 36 + 20,25$$

$$KM^2 = 56,25 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$KM = \sqrt{56,25} \text{ cm}$$

$$KM = 7,5 \text{ cm}$$

Because we have a rectangle KLMN, LM = KN & KL = NM

$$\therefore \text{Perimeter KLM} = KM + LM + KL$$

$$\text{Perimeter} = 7,5 \text{ cm} + 6 \text{ cm} + 4,5 \text{ cm}$$

$$\text{Perimeter} = 18 \text{ cm}$$

3 (a) $QD = DC - QC$

$$QD = 4 \text{ cm} - 1,5 \text{ cm}$$

$$QD = 2,5 \text{ cm}$$

Because it is a rectangle DC = AB

3 (b) $QP^2 = CP^2 + QC^2$

$$QP^2 = 4,2^2 + 1,5^2$$

$$QP^2 = 17,64 + 2,25$$

$$QP^2 = 19,89 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$QP = \sqrt{19,89} \text{ cm}$$

$$QP = 4,46 \text{ cm}$$



$$3 \text{ (c)} \quad AQ^2 = AD^2 + DQ^2$$

$$AQ^2 = 7^2 + 2,5^2$$

$$AQ^2 = 49 + 6,25$$

$$AQ^2 = 55,25 \text{ cm}^2$$

$$AQ = \sqrt{55,25} \text{ cm}$$

$$AQ = 7,43 \text{ cm}$$

\therefore Area of Δ AQD = $\frac{1}{2}$ base \times \perp height

$$\text{Area} = \frac{1}{2} \times 7 \times 2,5$$

$$\text{Area} = 8,75 \text{ cm}^2$$