

Soh Cah Toa

$$\sin \theta = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}} \quad \cos \theta = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}} \quad \tan \theta = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}}$$

Area of a triangle using trig:  $A = \frac{1}{2}bc(\sin A)$  b, c are sides of a triangle, A is the included angle

Law of sines:  $\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$  (a is side opposite to angle A)

Law of cosines:

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc(\cos A)$$

What to do if "a" is not the side you need:

$$b^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac(\cos B)$$

*if looking for b - change all a's for b's + b's for a's*

$$\cos A = \frac{b^2 + c^2 - a^2}{2bc}$$

What to do if A is not the angle you need:

Two investigations that we completed:

1. Angle C and angle T are complementary angles because they must sum to 90.

$$\sin T = \frac{7}{25} \quad 16, 26 = \sin^{-1}$$

$$\cos C = \frac{24}{25} \quad 16, 26 = \cos^{-1}$$

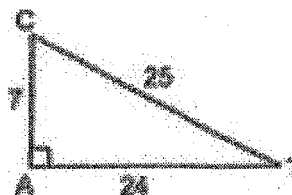
Therefore the sin of an angle = cos of its complement

2.  $\cos 50^\circ = \sin 40$

3.  $\sin 20^\circ = \cos 70$

4.  $\sin 75^\circ = \cos 15^\circ$

5.  $\cos 32^\circ = \sin 58^\circ$



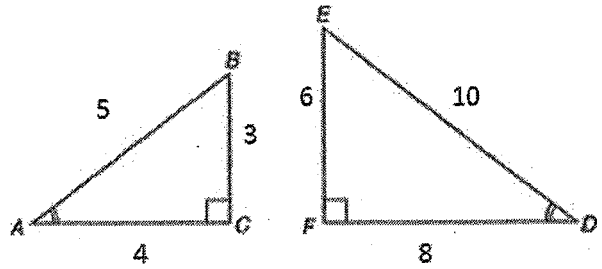
Similar triangles and trig ratios:

6. Triangle ABC is similar to triangle DEF

$$\sin A = \frac{3}{5} \quad \sin D = \frac{6}{10} = \frac{3}{5}$$

$$\sin B = \frac{4}{5} \quad \sin E = \frac{8}{10} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$\tan A = \frac{4}{3} \quad \tan D = \frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4}$$



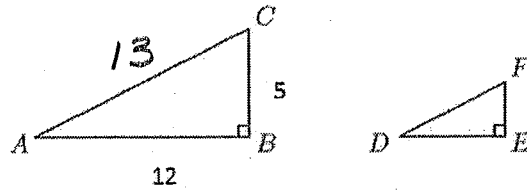
conclusion: similar triangles have the same trig ratios!

7.  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

$$\tan F = \frac{12}{5}$$

$$\sin F = \frac{12}{13}$$

$$\cos F = \frac{5}{13}$$



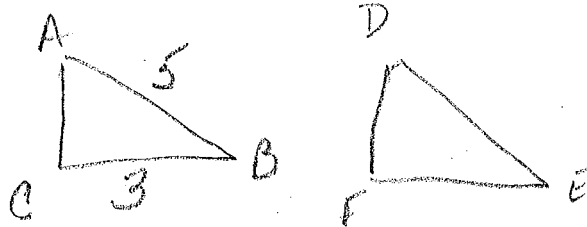
8.  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

$$\sin A = \frac{9}{41} \quad \sin D = \frac{9}{41}$$

$$\tan B = \frac{40}{9} \quad \tan E = \frac{40}{9}$$

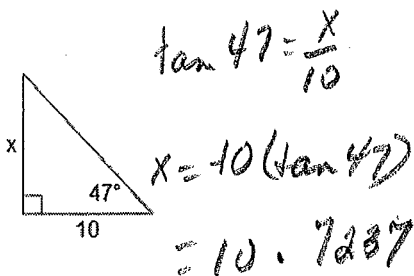
9.  $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle DEF$

$$\cos B = \frac{3}{5} \quad \cos E = \frac{3}{5}$$

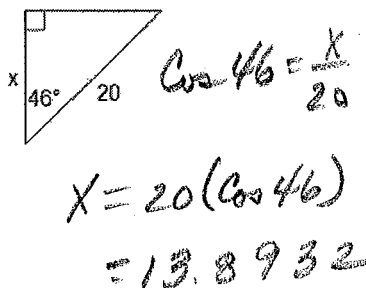


Use Soh Cah Toa to find the missing side lengths:

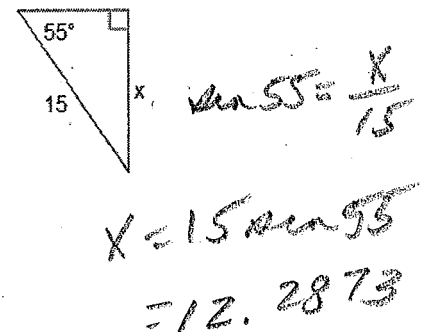
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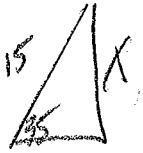
11.



12.



13. A 15 foot ladder makes a 35 degree angle with the ground. How high can the ladder reach when it is leaning against a tree? (Hint: DRAW this!)



$$\sin 35 = \frac{X}{15} \quad X = 15(\sin 35)$$

$$= 8.6036 \quad 8.6 \text{ ft}$$

14. A triangle has sides of 6 inches and 4 inches, and its included angle is 38°. What is its area?

$$A = \frac{1}{2}bc(\sin A)$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(6)(4)(\sin 38)$$

$$= 7.3879 \quad 7.4 \text{ in}^2$$

15. Triangle ABC has the sides: a = 24, b = 20, c = 30. Use the law of cosines to find the measure of angle A.

$$a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc(\cos A) \quad \cos A = \frac{181}{300}$$

$$24^2 = 20^2 + 30^2 - 2(20)(30)(\cos A)$$

$$576 = 400 + 900 - 1200(\cos A)$$

$$576 = 1300 - 1200(\cos A)$$

$$-724 = -1200(\cos A)$$

$$\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{181}{300} \right) = 52.89$$

16. Triangle ABC has the sides: a = 24, b = 20, c = 30. Use the law of cosines to find the measure of angle B.

$$20^2 = 24^2 + 30^2 - 2(24)(30)(\cos B)$$

$$400 = 576 + 900 - 1440(\cos B)$$

$$400 = 1476 - 1440(\cos B)$$

$$-1076 = -1440(\cos B)$$

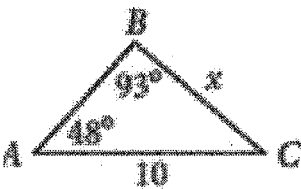
$$\cos B = \frac{269}{360}$$

$$\cos^{-1} \left( \frac{269}{360} \right) = 41.6496$$

Use the law of sines to solve for x:

17.

$$\frac{\sin 93}{10} = \frac{\sin 48}{x}$$



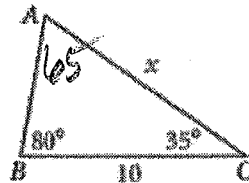
$$x(\sin 93) = 10(\sin 48)$$

$$x = \frac{10(\sin 48)}{\sin 93}$$

$$= 7.4416$$

18.

$$\frac{\sin 80}{x} = \frac{\sin 65}{10}$$



$$x \sin 65 = 10(\sin 80)$$

$$x = \frac{10(\sin 80)}{\sin 65}$$

$$= 10.8662$$