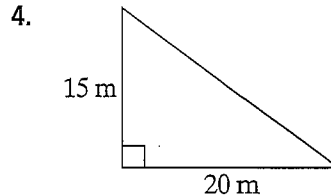
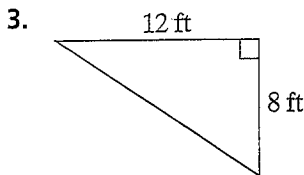
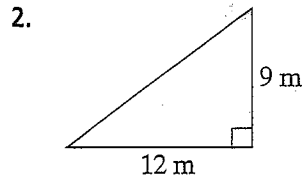
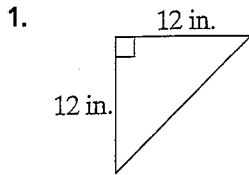


Practice 3-2

The Pythagorean Theorem

Find the length of the hypotenuse of each triangle. If necessary, round to the nearest tenth.



Let a and b represent the lengths of the legs of a right triangle. Find the length of the hypotenuse. If necessary, round to the nearest tenth.

5. $a = 14, b = 18$

6. $a = 7, b = 23$

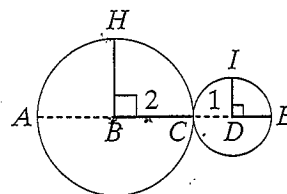
Solve.

7. A circus performer walks on a tightrope 25 feet above the ground. The tightrope is supported by two beams and two support cables. If the distance between each beam and the base of its support cable is 15 feet, what is the length of the support cable? Round to the nearest foot.
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You are given three circles, as shown. Points $A, B, C, D,$ and E lie on the same line. Find the length of each segment to the nearest tenth.

8. \overline{HD} _____

9. \overline{IE} _____

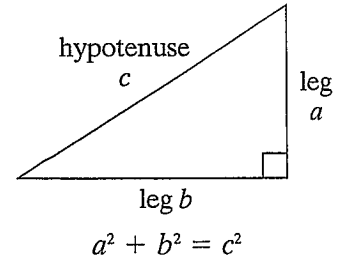


Reteaching 3-2

The Pythagorean Theorem

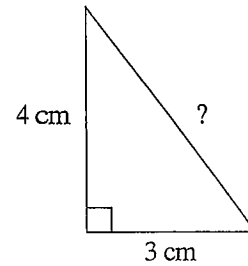
The Pythagorean Theorem

The sum of the squares of the lengths of the *legs* of a right triangle is equal to the square of the length of the *hypotenuse*.



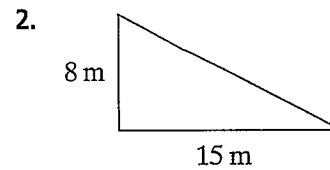
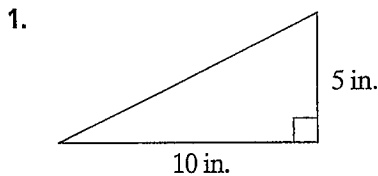
Example 1: Find the length of the hypotenuse.

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ 3^2 + 4^2 &= c^2 \\ 9 + 16 &= c^2 \\ 25 &= c^2 \\ \sqrt{25} &= c \\ 5 &= c \end{aligned}$$



The length c of the hypotenuse is 5 cm.

Find the length of the hypotenuse of each triangle. If necessary, round to the nearest tenth.



The lengths of the legs of a right triangle are given. Find the length of the hypotenuse.

3. legs: 6 ft and 8 ft
hypotenuse:

4. legs: 12 cm and 5 cm
hypotenuse:

5. legs: 24 mm and 7 mm
hypotenuse:

6. legs: 15 yd and 20 yd
hypotenuse:

7. legs: 0.024 m and 0.007 m
hypotenuse:

8. legs: 3,000 mi and 4,000 mi
hypotenuse:

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