Practice and Problem Solving

Practice by Example x^2 Algebra Find the value of x.

Example 1 (page 358) 1.

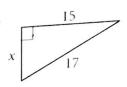
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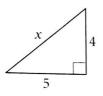
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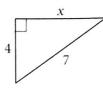
Does each set of numbers form a Pythagorean triple? Explain.

 x^2 Algebra Find the value of x. Leave your answer in simplest radical form. Example 2 (page 358)

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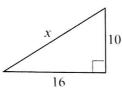


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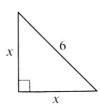




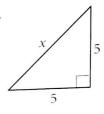
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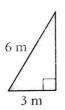


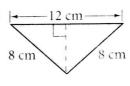
16. Home Maintenance A painter leans a 15-ft ladder against a house. The base Example 3 of the ladder is 5 ft from the house. To the nearest foot, how high on the house (page 358) does the ladder reach?

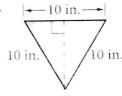
> 17. A walkway forms the diagonal of a square playground. The walkway is 24 m long. To the nearest tenth of a meter, how long is a side of the playground?

Example 4 (page 359) Find the area of each triangle. Leave your answer in simplest radical form.

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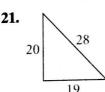


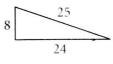




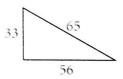
Is each triangle a right triangle? Explain. **Example 5**

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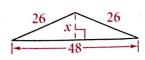
The lengths of the sides of a triangle are given. Classify each triangle as acute, **Example 6** right, or obtuse. (page 360)

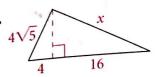
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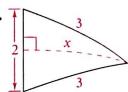
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Apply Your Skills x^2 Algebra Find the value of x. Leave your answer in simplest radical form.

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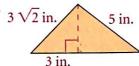




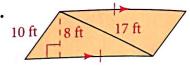


39. Writing Each year in an ancient land, a large river overflowed its banks, often destroying boundary markers. The royal surveyors used a rope with knots at 12 equal intervals to help reconstruct boundaries. Explain how a surveyor could use this rope to form a right angle. (Hint: Use the Pythagorean triple 3, 4, 5.)

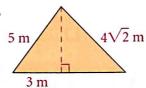
Find the area of each figure.



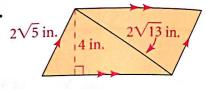
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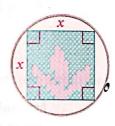




Reading Math

For help with reading and solving Exercise 44, see p. 365.

44. Embroidery You want to embroider a square design. You have an embroidery hoop with a 6 in. diameter. Find the largest value of x so that the entire square will fit in the hoop. Round to the nearest tenth.

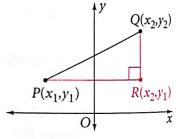


45. In parallelogram RSTW, RS = 7, ST = 24, and RT = 25. Is RSTW a rectangle? Explain.

Proof 46. Coordinate Geometry You can use the

Pythagorean Theorem to prove the Distance Formula. Let points $P(x_1, y_1)$ and $Q(x_2, y_2)$ be the endpoints of the hypotenuse of a right triangle.

a. Write an algebraic expression to complete each of the following: $PR = \square$ and $QR = \square$.

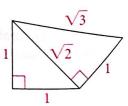


b. By the Pythagorean Theorem,

 $PQ^2 = PR^2 + QR^2$. Rewrite this statement substituting the algebraic expressions you found for PR and QR in part (a).

c. Complete the proof by taking the square root of each side of the equation that you wrote in part (b).

47. Constructions Explain how to construct a segment of length \sqrt{n} , where n is any positive integer, and you are given a segment of length 1. (Hint: See the diagram.)



Find a third whole number so that the three numbers form a Pythagorean triple.

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49. 14, 48

50. 13, 85

51. 12, 37

Need Help?

Remember that the sum of the lengths of any two sides of a triangle must be greater than the length of the third side.

Find integers j and k so that (a) the two given integers and j represent the lengths of the sides of an acute triangle and (b) the two given integers and k represent the lengths of the sides of an obtuse triangle.

52. 4, 5

53. 2, 4

54. 6, 9

55. 5, 10

56. 6, 7

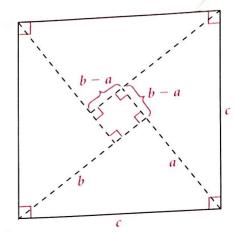
57. 9, 12

58. 8, 17

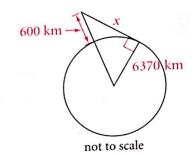
59. 9, 40

Proof 60. Reasoning You can use the diagram at the right to prove the Pythagorean Theorem.

- **a.** Find the area of the large square in terms of c.
- **b.** Find the area of the large square in terms of *a* and *b* by adding the areas of the four triangles and the small square.
- c. Write an equation setting your answers to part (a) and part (b) equal to each other. Simplify the equation to complete the proof.



61. Astronomy The Hubble Space Telescope is orbiting Earth 600 km above Earth's surface. Earth's radius is about 6370 km. Use the Pythagorean Theorem to find the distance x from the telescope to Earth's horizon. Round your answer to the nearest ten kilometers.



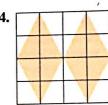
Real-World (Connection

Research by Edwin Hubble (1889–1953), here guiding a telescope in 1923, led to the Big Bang Theory of the formation of the universe.

The figures below are drawn on centimeter grid paper. Find the perimeter of each shaded figure to the nearest tenth.









- **65. a.** The ancient Greek philosopher Plato used the expressions 2n, $n^2 1$, and $n^2 + 1$ to produce Pythagorean triples. Choose any integer greater than 1. Substitute for n and evaluate the three expressions.
 - b. Verify that your answers to part (a) form a Pythagorean triple.
- 66. Geometry in 3 Dimensions The box at the right is a rectangular solid.
 - **a.** Use $\triangle ABC$ to find the length d_1 of the diagonal of the base.
 - **b.** Use $\triangle ABD$ to find the length d_2 of the diagonal of the box.
 - c. You can generalize the steps in parts (a) and (b). Use the facts that $AC^2 + BC^2 = d_1^2$ and $d_1^2 + BD^2 = d_2^2$ to write a one-step formula to find d_2 .
 - d. Use the formula you wrote to find the length of the longest fishing pole you can pack in a box with dimensions 18 in., 24 in., and 16 in.