

Pythagorean Theorem & The Converse of the Pythagorean Theorem





Solve for c.

c = _____



Write an equation:

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Write an equation: _____

Solve for x.

x = _____

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Write an equation: _____



x = _____

5. A 12-foot ladder is set up 5 feet from the base of a building.

Draw a Picture:

How far up the building does the ladder reach? Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a foot.

6. A 15-foot ladder is set up 5 feet from the base of a building.

Draw a Picture:

How far up the building does the ladder reach? Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a foot.

- 7. A 14-foot ladder is set up 4 feet from the base of a building. How far up the building does the ladder reach? Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a foot.
 - **a.** 13.4 feet
 - **b.** 14.6 feet
 - **c.** 16.5 feet
 - **d.** 18.0 feet
- **8.** What is the length of the hypotenuse to the nearest tenth?



a. 7.5b. 15.0

c. 10.3

d. 20.6

- **9.** Jimmy is installing a gravel path along the diagonal of a rectangular garden. The garden measures 24 feet wide by 32 feet long. If the path is 2 feet wide, and gravel costs \$3.50 a square foot, how much will it cost to install the gravel path?
 - **a.** \$80
 - **b.** \$140
 - **c.** \$280
 - **d.** \$392
- **10.** Brianna is planting a sapling. The garden center recommended she stabilize the sapling with guy wires for the first few months after planting. If Brianna places the guy wires 6 feet up the trunk of the sapling and 5 feet from the base, how much total wire, to the nearest tenth of a foot, will she need for the two guy wires?



- **a.** 6.6 feet
- **b.** 7.8 feet
- **c.** 12.2 feet
- **d.** 15.6 feet
- **11.** The library is 10 kilometers south of Aaron's home. The school is 10 kilometers east of Aaron's home. How many kilometers, to the nearest tenth of a kilometer, is the library from the school?
 - a. 10.2 kilometers
 - **b.** 12.0 kilometers
 - c. 14.1 kilometers
 - d. 20.0 kilometers

- **12.** A painter props a ladder against a house. The base of the ladder is 12 feet from the house. The top of the ladder is 16 feet from the ground. How long is the ladder?
 - **a.** 10 feet
 - **b.** 14 feet
 - **c.** 20 feet
 - **d.** 28 feet
- **13.** Use the converse of the Pythagorean Theorem to determine if the triangle is a right triangle. Explain your answer.



14. Use the converse of the Pythagorean Theorem to determine if the triangle is a right triangle. Explain your answer.



15. What is the length of the unknown leg to the nearest tenth?



16. Determine the distance between (-3, 1) and (5, -6) by graphing and connecting the points, creating a right triangle, and applying the Pythagorean Theorem.



17. Determine the distance between (-5, -2) and (-2, 5) by graphing and connecting the points, creating a right triangle, and applying the Pythagorean Theorem.



18. What is the distance between (2, 3) and (-2, 7)? Round to the nearest tenth, if necessary.



- **a.** 4 units
- **b.** 8 units
- **c.** 5.7 units
- **d.** 11.4 units
- **19.** What is the distance between (3, -2) and (-3, -5)? Round to the nearest tenth, if necessary.



- **a.** 3 units
- **b.** 3.2 units
- **c.** 5.2 units
- **d.** 6.7 units

20. What is the distance between (5, 7) and (-2, -2)? Round to the nearest tenth, if necessary.



- **a.** 5.7 units
- **b.** 5.8 units
- **c.** 8.6 units
- **d.** 11.4 units

PYTHAGOREAN THEOREM /CONVERSE ANSWER KEY

1. ANS: $12^2 + 16^2 = c^2$ $c = \sqrt{400} = 20$ REF: 6.1 **2.** ANS: $15^2 + 20^2 = c^2$ $c = \sqrt{625} = 25$ REF: 6.1 **3.** ANS: $6^2 + x^2 = 15^2$ $x = \sqrt{189} = 3\sqrt{21} \approx 13.75$ REF: 6.1 **4.** ANS: $6^2 + x^2 = 19^2$ $x = \sqrt{325} = 5\sqrt{13} \approx 18.03$ REF: 6.1 **5.** ANS: $5^2 + x^2 = 12^2$ $x^2 = 119$ $x = \sqrt{119} \approx 10.9$

The ladder reaches 10.9 feet up the side of the building.

REF: 6.1 6. ANS: $5^{2} + x^{2} = 15^{2}$ $x^{2} = 200$ $x = \sqrt{200} \approx 14.1$

The ladder reaches 14.1 feet up the side of the building.

	REF:	6.1		
7.	ANS:	А	REF:	6.1
8.	ANS:	С	REF:	6.1

 9. ANS: C
 REF: 6.1

 10. ANS: D
 REF: 6.1

 11. ANS: C
 REF: 6.1

 12. ANS: C
 REF: 6.1

13. ANS:

No. This is not a right triangle.

$$8^{2} + 12^{2} = 64 + 144 = 208$$

 $15^{2} = 225$
 $208 \neq 225$

The sum of the squares of the lengths of the two shorter sides is not equal to the square of the length of the longest side, so this is not a right triangle.

REF: 6.2

14. ANS:

Yes. This is a right triangle. $9^2 + 12^2 = 81 + 144 = 225 = 15^2$

The sum of the squares of the lengths of the two legs is equal to the square of the length of the hypotenuse, so this is a right triangle.

REF: 6.2

15. ANS: C REF: 6.3

16. ANS:



$$a^{2} + b^{2} = c^{2}$$

$$8^{2} + 7^{2} = c^{2}$$

$$64 + 49 = c^{2}$$

$$c^{2} = 113$$

$$c = \sqrt{113}$$

$$c \approx 10.6$$

The distance between (-3, 1) and (5, -6) is approximately 10.6 units.



17. ANS:



$$a^{2} + b^{2} = c^{2}$$

$$7^{2} + 3^{2} = c^{2}$$

$$49 + 9 = c^{2}$$

$$c^{2} = 58$$

$$c = \sqrt{58}$$

$$c \approx 7.6$$

The distance between (-5, -2) and (-2, 5) is approximately 7.6 units.

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18.	ANS:	С	REF:	6.4
19.	ANS:	D	REF:	6.4
20.	ANS:	D	REF:	6.4