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**Math 8Honors: 4.3 Challenging Problems and Applications of the Pythagorean Theorem**

1. Given each of the following circles geometry problems, find the length of the missing side "x"

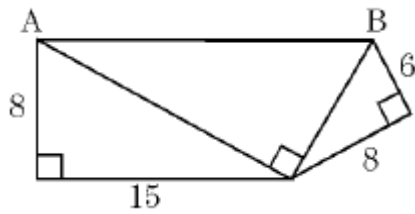
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<p>g)</p>	<p>h)</p>	<p>i)</p>

2. Dave drove 5km North, 2 km West, 1 km South and 8 km east. How far is he from his starting point?

3. The perimeter of a square is  $96\text{cm}^2$ , what is the length of the diagonal?

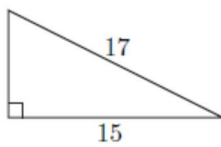
4. Two sides of a right triangle are 3cm and 4cm. What are the possible lengths of the third side?

5. Find the length of segment AB in the diagram:

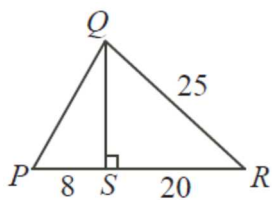


6. Prove that if one leg of a right triangle and the hypotenuse are consecutive values, then the other leg must be an odd number.

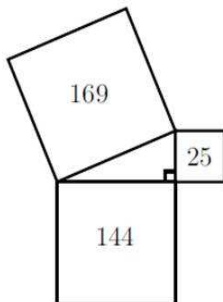
7. In the right-angled triangle below, the hypotenuse has length 17 units and one of the legs has length 15 units. How many units<sup>2</sup> are in the area of the triangle?



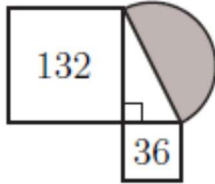
8. In the diagram, what is the perimeter of  $\triangle PQR$ ?



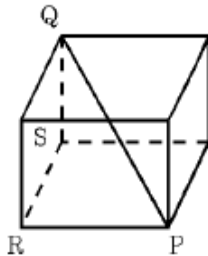
9. Given the areas of the three squares in the figure, what is the area of the interior triangle?



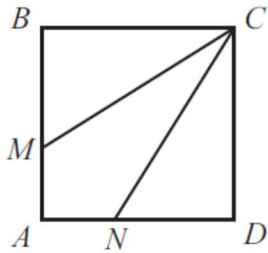
10. Squares are erected on the legs of a right-angled triangle. These squares have areas 36 and 132 as shown. A semicircle (Shaded) is drawn with hypotenuse as diameter. What is the area of the semi-circle? Give your answer in terms of  $\pi$ .



11. Given that  $RS = 4\text{cm}$ ,  $PR = 7\text{cm}$ , and  $QS = 5\text{cm}$ , what is the length of  $QP$ ?

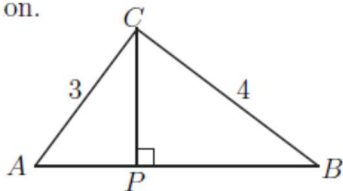


12. Square  $ABCD$  has sides of length 3. Segments  $CM$  and  $CN$  divide the square's area into three equal parts. How long is segment  $CM$ ?

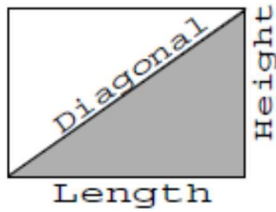


13. Triangle  $ABC$  has a right angle at  $C$ . Side  $CA$  has length 3, and side  $CB$  has length 4. Point  $P$  on  $AB$  is such that  $CP$  is perpendicular to  $AB$ . What is the ratio of the length of  $AP$  to the length of  $PB$ ? Express your answer as a common fraction.

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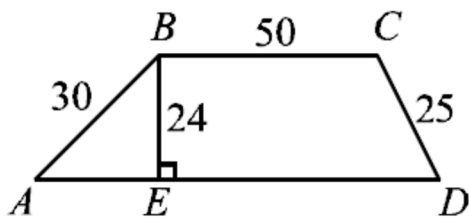


14. Many television screens are rectangles that are measured by the length of their diagonals. The ratio of the horizontal length to the height in a standard television screen is 4:3. The horizontal length of a “27-inch” television screen is closest, in inches, to which of the following?

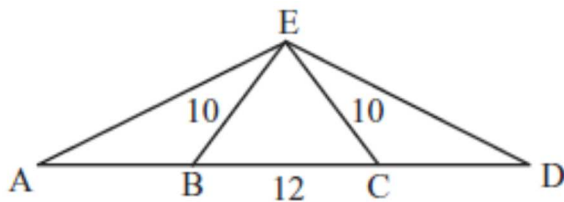


- a)20 b)20.5 c)21 d)21.5 e)22

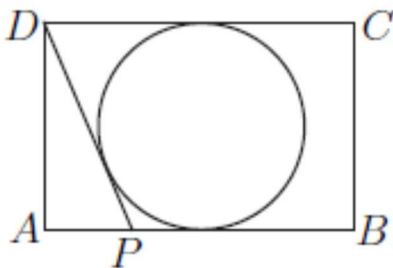
15. What is the perimeter of trapezoid ABCD?




16. Points A, B, C, and D lie on a line, in that order, with  $AB=CD$  and  $BC=12$ . Point E is not on the line, and  $BE=CE=10$ . The perimeter of  $\triangle AED$  is twice the perimeter of  $\triangle BEC$ . Find AB.



17. In the figure below, ABCD is a rectangle whose length AB is 6cm and whose width BC is 4cm. A circle of radius 2cm is drawn, with its center at the center of the rectangle. Point P on AB is such that DP is tangent to the circle. What is the length of DP (in cm)? Express your answer as a common fraction.



10.  A triangle is called *Heronian* if each of its side lengths is an integer and its area is also an integer. A triangle is called *Pythagorean* if it is right-angled and each of its side lengths is an integer.
- (a) Show that every Pythagorean triangle is Heronian.
  - (b) Show that every odd integer greater than 1 is a side length of some Pythagorean triangle.
  - (c) Find a Heronian triangle which has all side lengths different, and no side length divisible by 3, 5, 7 or 11.