

Pythagoras Word Problems



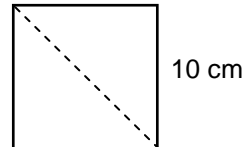
ANSWERS

Give answers to 2 decimal places.

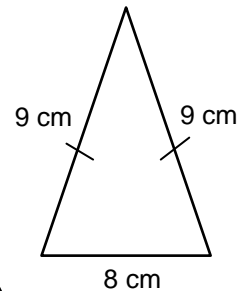
Section A

- 1) An A4 piece of paper measures 210 mm by 297 mm.
 a. Calculate the length of the diagonal of an A4 piece of paper. **363.74 mm**
 b. Measure the length of the diagonal of an A4 piece of paper to check your answer to part a.
The same (possible measurement errors)

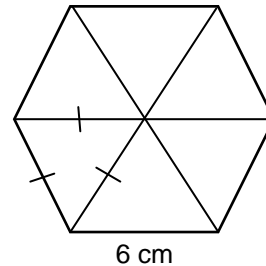
- 2) How long is the diagonal of a square with sides 10 cm ?
14.14 cm



- 3) Find the area of an isosceles triangle whose sides are 9 cm, 9 cm and 8 cm.
[Hint: Calculate the perpendicular height first.]
32.25 cm²



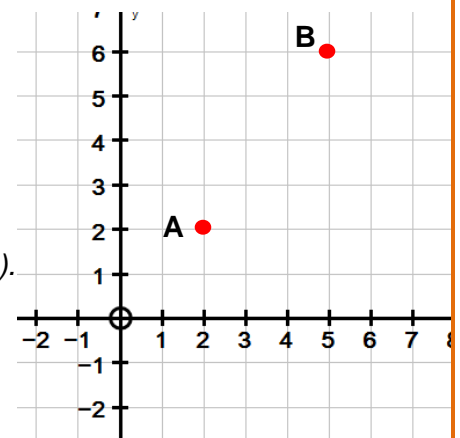
- 4) Calculate the area of a hexagon whose sides measure 6 cm.
93.53 cm²



- 5) A ladder, 10 m long, leans against a wall. The foot of the ladder is 2 m away from the bottom of the wall. Calculate how far the ladder reaches up the wall. **9.80 m**



- 6) Points A (2, 2) and B (5, 6) are plotted on a coordinate grid.
 a. What is the length of the line AB. **5 (units)**
 b. Point C has coordinates (3, - 1). Work out the length of BC.
7.28 (units)



- 7) Calculate the length between the coordinates P (- 1, 2) and R (6, - 2).
[Hint: Plot the coordinates first.]
8.06 (units)

- 8) Is the triangle with sides 8 cm, 15 cm and 17 cm a right angled triangle? **Yes. $8^2 + 15^2 = 17^2$**
 a. Give measurements for the lengths of two different right-angled triangles.

3 cm, 4 cm, 5 cm 5 cm, 12 cm, 13 cm etc

- 9) Calculate the length marked *x* in this isosceles triangle.
[Hint: Find the area first.]
13.39 cm

