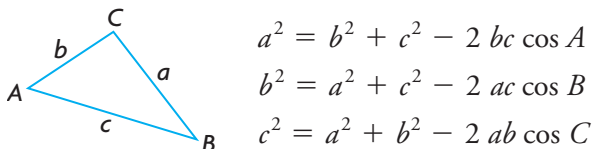


## FREQUENTLY ASKED Questions

**Q:** What is the cosine law, and how do you use it to determine angles and sides in triangles?

**A:** The cosine law is a relationship that is true for *all* triangles:



If you don't know a side and an angle opposite it, use the cosine law. The sine law can be used only if you know a side and the angle opposite that side. You can use the cosine law in combination with the sine law and other trigonometric ratios to solve a triangle.

**Q:** How do you know which strategy to use to solve a trigonometry problem?

**A:**

Given	Use
A right triangle with any two pieces of information 	Primary trigonometric ratios: $\sin A = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$ $\cos A = \frac{\text{adjacent}}{\text{hypotenuse}}$ $\tan A = \frac{\text{opposite}}{\text{adjacent}}$
A triangle with information about sides and opposite angles 	The sine law: $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$ or $\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$
A triangle with no information that allows you to use the sine law 	The cosine law: $a^2 = b^2 + c^2 - 2bc \cos A$ $b^2 = a^2 + c^2 - 2ac \cos B$ $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C$

### Study Aid

- See Lesson 5.4, Examples 1, 2, and 3.
- Try Chapter Review Questions 7 and 8.

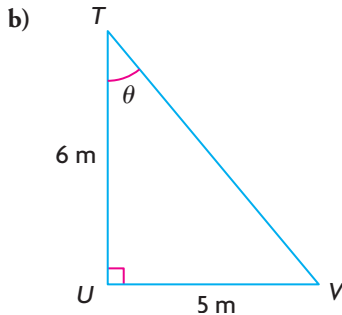
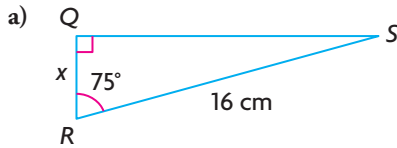
### Study Aid

- See Lesson 5.5, Examples 1 to 4.
- Try Chapter Review Questions 9 and 10.

## PRACTICE Questions

### Lesson 5.1

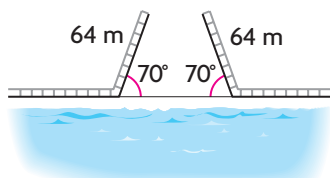
1. Determine  $x$  to the nearest unit and angle  $\theta$  to the nearest degree.



2. From Tony's seat in the classroom, his eyes are 1.0 m above ground. On the wall 4.2 m away, he can see the top of a blackboard that is 2.1 m above ground. What is the angle of elevation, to the nearest degree, to the top of the blackboard from Tony's eyes?

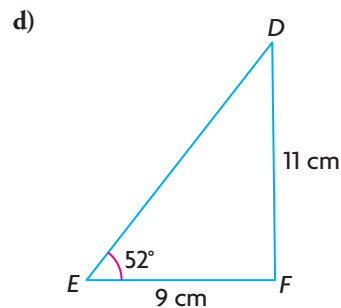
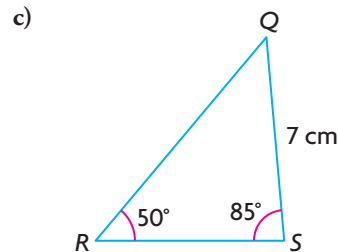
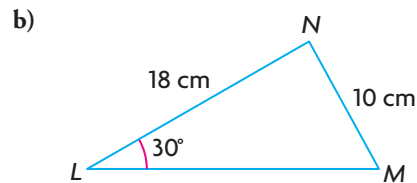
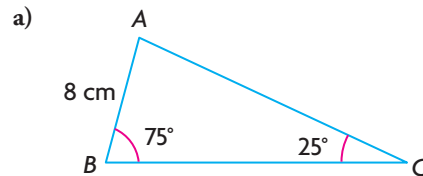
### Lesson 5.2

3. A triangular garden has two equal sides 3.6 m long and a contained angle of  $80^\circ$ .
- How much edging, to the nearest metre, is needed for this garden?
  - How much area does the garden cover? Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a square metre.
4. A Bascule bridge is usually built over water and has two parts that are hinged. If each part is 64 m long and can fold up to an angle of  $70^\circ$  in the upright position, how far apart, to the nearest metre, are the two ends of the bridge when it is fully open?

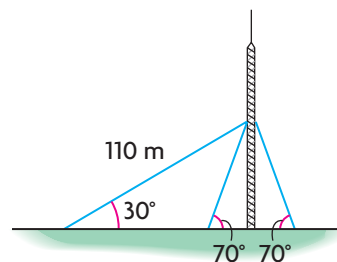


### Lesson 5.3

5. Use the sine law to solve each triangle. Round each length to the nearest centimetre and each angle to the nearest degree.



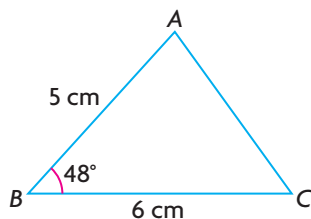
6. A temporary support cable for a radio antenna is 110 m long and has an angle of elevation of  $30^\circ$ . Two other support cables are already attached, each at an angle of elevation of  $70^\circ$ . How long, to the nearest metre, is each of the shorter cables?



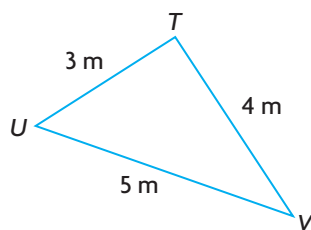
### Lesson 5.4

7. Use the cosine law to calculate each unknown side length to the nearest unit and each unknown angle to the nearest degree.

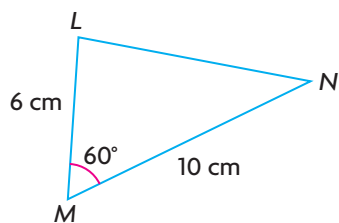
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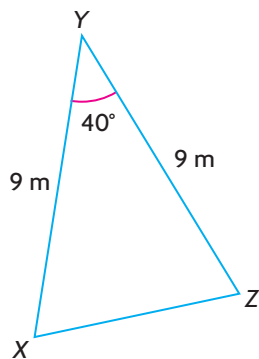
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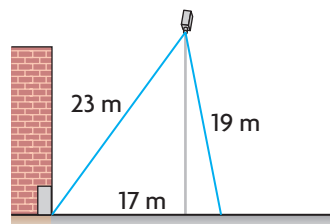
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8. A security camera needs to be placed so that both the far corner of a parking lot and an entry door are visible at the same time. The entry door is 23 m from the camera, while the far corner of the parking lot is 19 m from the camera. The far corner of the parking lot is 17 m from the entry door. What angle of view for the camera, to the nearest degree, is required?



### Lesson 5.5

9. Sketch and solve each triangle. Round your answers to the nearest degree and to the nearest tenth of a centimetre.
- $\triangle ABC$ :  $\angle B = 90^\circ$ ,  $\angle C = 33^\circ$ ,  $b = 4.9$  cm
  - $\triangle DEF$ :  $\angle E = 49^\circ$ ,  $\angle F = 64^\circ$ ,  $e = 3.0$  cm
  - $\triangle GHI$ :  $\angle H = 43^\circ$ ,  $g = 7.0$  cm,  $i = 6.0$  cm
  - $\triangle JKL$ :  $j = 17.0$  cm,  $k = 18.0$  cm,  $l = 21.0$  cm
10. Two sides of a parallelogram measure 7.0 cm and 9.0 cm. The longer diagonal is 12.0 cm long.
- Calculate all the interior angles, to the nearest degree, of the parallelogram.
  - How long is the other diagonal? Round your answer to the nearest tenth of a centimetre.