

Pythagoras' Theorem and Irrational Numbers

This exercise covers the following Basic Competency Descriptors for new KS3 curriculum.

New	NA04-1	Calculate the value of x in the expressions $\sqrt{x} = a$, $\sqrt[3]{x} = a$, $\sqrt{a} = x$ and $\sqrt[3]{a} = x$, where a is a positive integer.
New	NA04-2	Demonstrate recognition of the concepts of rational and irrational numbers.
	NA04-3	Represent rational and irrational numbers on the number line.
	MSS25-1	Use Pythagoras' theorem to find unknowns.
	MSS25-2	Use the converse of Pythagoras' theorem to identify right-angled triangles.

Section A: Write your answers in the spaces provided. Working need not be shown.

NA04-1

1. Evaluate $\sqrt{196}$.

Answer: _____

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2. Evaluate $\sqrt[3]{216}$.

Answer: _____

NA04-1

3. If $\sqrt{x} = 12$, find x .

Answer: $x =$ _____

NA04-1

4. If $\sqrt[3]{y} = 8$, find y .

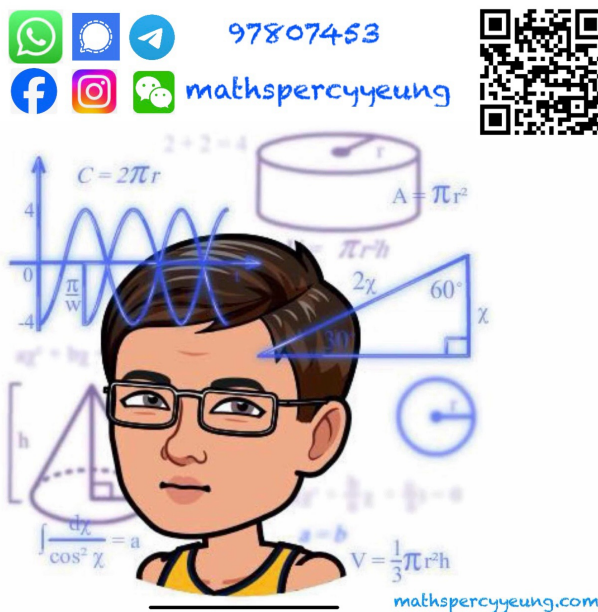
Answer: $y =$ _____

NA04-2

5. State which of the following are rational numbers.

0.003 , $2.\dot{3}$, $\sqrt{55}$, -7π , $\sqrt[3]{-216}$

Answer: _____



NA04-2

6. State which of the following are irrational numbers.

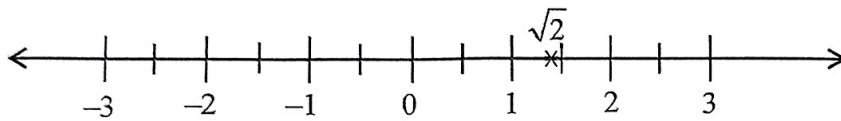
$$-4.0444, -1.\dot{2}\dot{3}, \sqrt{1000}, \frac{\pi}{2}, \sqrt[4]{1234}$$

Answer: _____

NA04-3

7. Use the symbol 'x' to mark the number $-\sqrt{8}$ on the following number line.

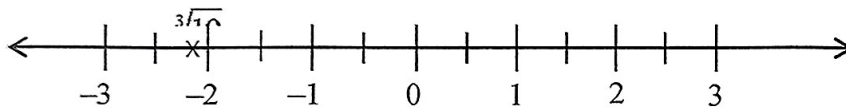
Example: $\sqrt{2}$ is marked on the number line below.



NA04-3

8. Use the symbol 'x' to mark the number $\sqrt[3]{22}$ on the following number line.

Example: $-\sqrt[3]{10}$ is marked on the number line below.



NA04-3

9. Use the symbol 'x' to mark the number $\sqrt{5}$ on the following number line.

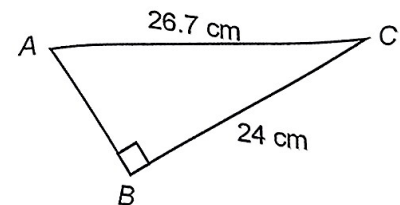
Example: $\sqrt{5} + 2$ is marked on the number line below.



MSS25-1

10. In the figure, $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$, $BC = 24$ cm and $AC = 26.7$ cm. Find AB .

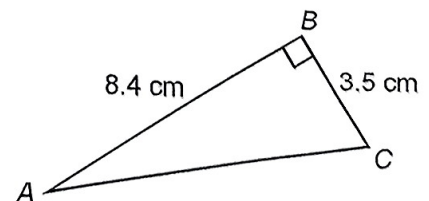
Answer: $AB =$ _____ cm



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11. In the figure, $\angle ABC = 90^\circ$, $AB = 8.4$ cm and $BC = 3.5$ cm. Find AC .

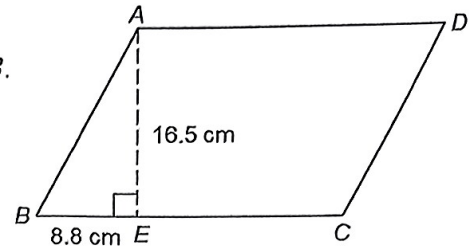
Answer: $AC =$ _____ cm



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12. In the figure, $ABCD$ is a parallelogram. AE is the height of the parallelogram. $AE = 16.5$ cm and $BE = 8.8$ cm. Find AB .

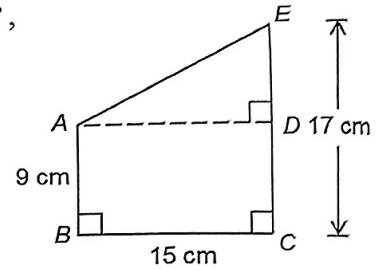
Answer: $AB =$ _____ cm



MSS25-1

13. In the figure, CDE is a straight line. $\angle ABC = \angle BCD = \angle ADE = 90^\circ$, $AB = 9$ cm, $BC = 15$ cm and $CE = 17$ cm. Find AE .

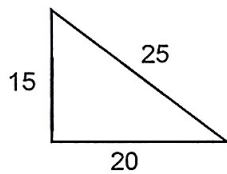
Answer: $AE =$ _____ cm



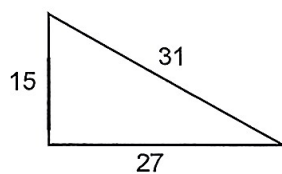
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14. Which of the following must be right-angled triangle(s)?
(May be more than one answer)

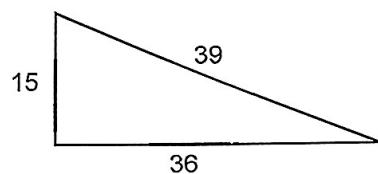
Triangle A



Triangle B



Triangle C

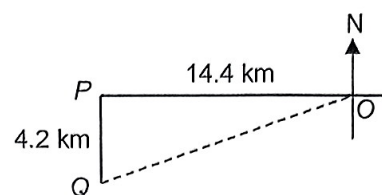


Answer: _____

Section B: Answer in the spaces provided. All working and conclusions must be clearly shown.

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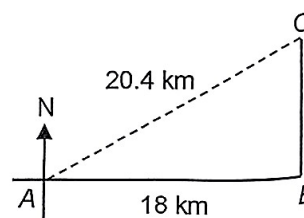
15. At point O , Peter rides a bicycle due west for 14.4 km to point P and then rides due south for 4.2 km to point Q . Find the distance between O and Q .



Blank space for working and conclusion for Question 15.

MSS25-1

16. A ship sails 18 km due east from point A to point B . Then it sails due north to point C . If point C is 20.4 km away from point A , find the distance between B and C .



Blank space for working and conclusion for Question 16.