# Unit 9 – Radicals and Applying Similarity to Right Triangles

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## **Simplifying Radicals**

## **Adding and Subtracting Radicals**

\*Radicals must have a common radicand and index to be added or subtracted.

- 1.) Simplify all radicals, if possible, to determine if the terms have a common radicand.
- 2.) Combine terms with common radicands by adding or subtracting the coefficients.

1.) 
$$7\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{5}$$
 2.)  $4\sqrt{3} - \sqrt{3}$ 

3.) 
$$\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{8}$$
 4.)  $\sqrt{20} - 2\sqrt{5}$ 

## **Multiplying and Dividing Radicals**

## <u>Steps</u>:

1.) Multiply or divide using the following rules:

$$a\sqrt{b} \cdot c\sqrt{d} = ac\sqrt{bd}$$
  $\frac{a\sqrt{c}}{b\sqrt{d}} = \frac{a}{b}\sqrt{\frac{c}{d}}$ 

2.) Simplify radical, if possible.

1.)  $\sqrt{5} \cdot \sqrt{20}$  2.)  $-6\sqrt{2} \cdot 5\sqrt{8}$  3.)  $9\sqrt{10x} \cdot \sqrt{30x^2}$ 

4.) 
$$\frac{2}{5}\sqrt{20}\left(\frac{3}{4}\sqrt{10}\right)$$
 5.)  $5(3+\sqrt{3})$  6.)  $2\sqrt{5}(2\sqrt{5}+3)$ 

- 7.)  $7\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{8}+2\sqrt{20})$  8.)  $(2-\sqrt{3})(4+\sqrt{3})$  9.)  $(3-\sqrt{5})^2$
- 10.)  $(\sqrt{2} + \sqrt{7})(\sqrt{2} \sqrt{7})$  11.)  $\sqrt{72} \div \sqrt{2}$  12.)  $8\sqrt{48} \div 2\sqrt{3}$

13.)  $\frac{25\sqrt{24}}{-5\sqrt{2}}$ 

## **Rationalizing Denominators**

\*A fraction is not considered simplified if there is a radical in the denominator.

\*To **rationalize the denominator** of a fraction means to find an equivalent fraction in which the denominator is a rational number.

\*Steps to rationalize a monomial denominator:

- 1.) Multiply the numerator and denominator of the fraction by the radical in the denominator to keep a perfect square in the denominator.
- 2.) Simplify the fraction, which will change the denominator to a rational number.
- 1)  $\frac{2}{\sqrt{5}}$  2)  $\frac{4}{\sqrt{18}}$

3) 
$$\frac{3}{2\sqrt{3x}}$$
 4)  $\frac{3\sqrt{50}}{4\sqrt{8}}$ 

## Area and Perimeter with Radicals

1.) What is the perimeter of the triangle shown below?



2.) Determine the area and perimeter of the triangle shown.



## Altitude Drawn to the Hypotenuse in a Right Triangle

Theorem			
Words	Example	Figures	
If the altitude is drawn to the hypotenuse of a right triangle, then the two triangles formed are similar to the original triangle and to each other.			

### Examples

Write a similarity statement identifying the three similar right triangles in the figure.





Right Triangle Geometric Mean Theorems			
Theorem	Words	Example	Figures
	The altitude drawn to the		С
Geometric	hypotenuse of a right triangle		$\bigwedge$
Mean	separates the hypotenuse into two		11 12
(Altitude)	segments. The length of this		
Theorem	altitude is the geometric mean		$A \stackrel{p_1}{\longrightarrow} D \stackrel{p_2}{\longrightarrow} B$
(PAP)	between the lengths of these two		<b>∢</b> h►
	segments.		

Geometric Mean (Leg) Theorem (HELP)	The altitude drawn to the hypotenuse of a right triangle separates the hypotenuse into two segments. The length of a leg of this triangle is the geometric mean between the length of the hypotenuse and the segment of the hypotenuse adjacent to the leg.	$A \xrightarrow{p_1} D \xrightarrow{p_2} B$
(HALL)	In a right triangle, the product of the hypotenuse and the altitude equals the product of the lengths of the two legs.	$A \xrightarrow{p_1} D \xrightarrow{p_2} B$

**Examples** Find x, y, and z for each of the following.







## More Practice





3.) Solve for x and y:



### **Pythagorean Theorem**

\*Only works for right triangles.

\*The longest side, called the hypotenuse (c), can be found across from the right angle.



1.) The sides of a triangle measure  $\sqrt{7}$ ,  $2\sqrt{6}$ , and  $\sqrt{31}$ . Is it a right triangle?

2.) The perimeter of a square is 16. Find the length of the diagonal of the square.

3.) The side of a rhombus measures 10 and its shorter diagonal is 12. Find the length of the longer diagonal.

4.) The length of a rectangle is 7 more than the width. The diagonal is 8 more than the width. Find the dimensions of the rectangle.

5.) Determine the exact area of the shaded region shown.



6.) Prove the Pythagorean Theorem using similar triangles. Provide a well-labeled diagram to support your justification.

## SPECIAL RIGHT TRIANGLES

45° - 45° - 90° Triangle Theorem			
Words	Example	Figure	
In a 45° - 45° - 90° triangle, the legs <i>l</i> are congruent and the length of the hypotenuse <i>h</i> is $\sqrt{2}$ times the length of the leg.		$A \xrightarrow{45^{\circ}}_{C} P$	

### Finding the Hypotenuse length

Find x.









# Finding the Leg length



30° - 60° - 90° Triangle Theorem			
Words	Example	Figure	
In a 30° - 60° - 90° triangle, the length of the hypotenuse <i>h</i> is 2 times the length of the shorter leg <i>s</i> , and the length of the longer leg <i>l</i> is $\sqrt{3}$ times the length of the shorter leg.		$B$ $s$ $60^{\circ}$ $2s$ $30^{\circ}$ $A$ $s\sqrt{3}$ $C$	

**Examples** Find x and y.













### More Practice with Special Right Triangles

1) Find the length of a side of an equilateral triangle if its altitude is  $7\sqrt{3}$ .

2) Find the altitude of an isosceles triangle if its vertex angle is 120 and its legs measure 8.

3) In a rhombus with a  $60^{\circ}$  angle, one side measures 12. Find the length of both diagonals.

4) Find all missing segments:



5) Find the perimeter of a square whose diagonal is  $9\sqrt{2}$ .

6) In an isosceles triangle with a base angle of 45, one leg measures  $5\sqrt{2}$ . Find the altitude.



