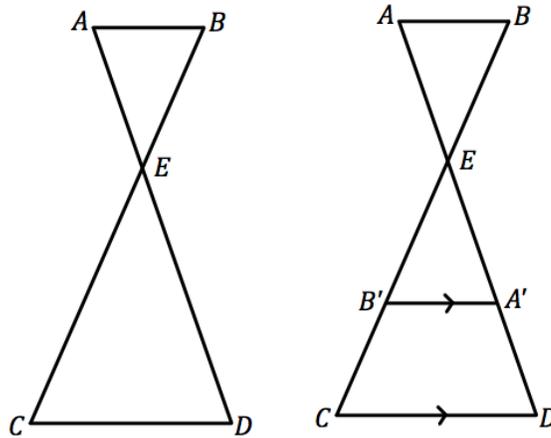


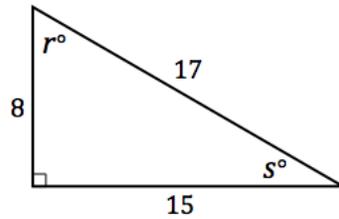
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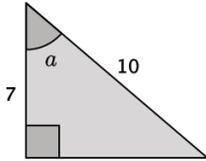
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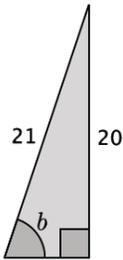
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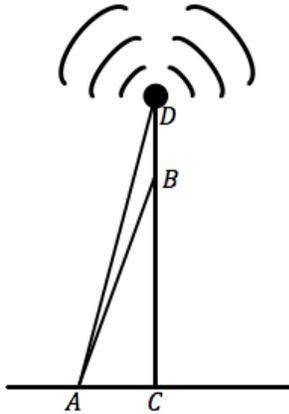
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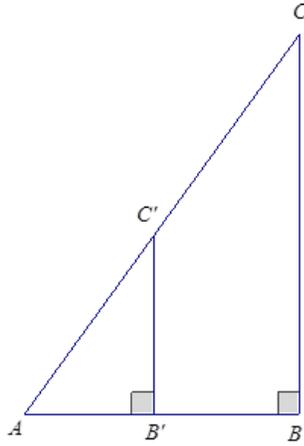
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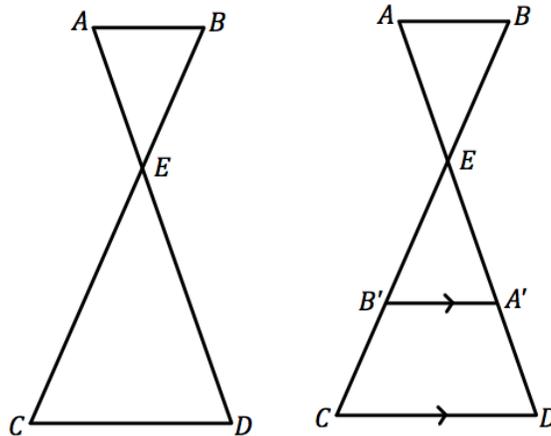
A Progression Toward Mastery					
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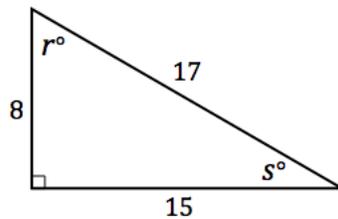
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Triangles EAB and $EA'B'$ are congruent since a 180° rotation is a rigid motion. Since $\overline{A'B'} \parallel \overline{CD}$, $m\angle EB'A' = m\angle ECD$, and $m\angle B'EA' = m\angle CED$. So, $\triangle EA'B' \sim \triangle EDC$ by AA similarity criteria, and $\triangle EAB \sim \triangle EDC$ by the transitive property of similarity.

2. Answer the following questions based on the diagram below.



- a. Find the sine and cosine values of angles r and s . Leave the answers as fractions.

$$\sin r^\circ = \frac{15}{17}$$

$$\sin s^\circ = \frac{8}{17}$$

$$\cos r^\circ = \frac{8}{17}$$

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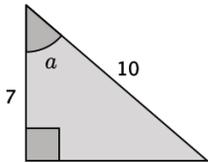
$$\tan r^\circ = \frac{15}{8}$$

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- b. Why is the sine of an acute angle the same value as the cosine of its complement?

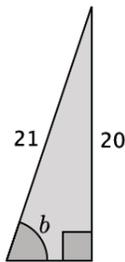
By definition, sine is the ratio of the opposite side: hypotenuse, and cosine is the ratio of the adjacent side: hypotenuse; since the opposite side of an angle is the adjacent side of its complement, $\sin\theta = \cos(90-\theta)$.

- c. Determine the measures of the angles to the nearest tenth of a degree in the right triangles below.
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$$m\angle a \approx 45.6^\circ$$

- ii. Determine the measure of $\angle b$.



$$m\angle b \approx 72.2^\circ$$

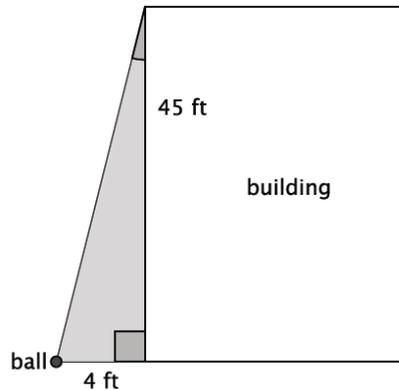
- iii. Explain how you were able to determine the measure of the unknown angle in part (i) or part (ii).

For part (i), students should state that they had to use \arccos to determine the unknown angle because the information given about the side lengths included the side adjacent to the unknown angle and the hypotenuse.

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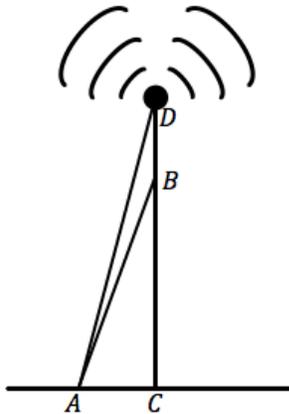
Sample sketch shown below.



- ii. By approximately how many degrees was the ball blown off course? Round your answer to the nearest whole degree.

The wind blew the ball about 5° off course.

3. A radio tower is anchored by long cables called guy wires, such as \overline{AB} in the figure below. Point A is 250 m from the base of the tower, and $m\angle BAC = 59^\circ$.



- a. How long is the guy wire? Round to the nearest tenth.

$$\begin{aligned}\cos 59 &= \frac{250}{AB} \\ AB &= \frac{250}{\cos 59} \\ AB &\approx 485.4\end{aligned}$$

The guy wire is approximately 485.4 meters.

- b. How far above the ground is it fastened to the tower?

$$\begin{aligned}\tan 59 &= \frac{BC}{250} \\ BC &= 250 \tan 59 \\ BC &\approx 416.1\end{aligned}$$

It is fastened approximately 416.1 meters above the ground.

- c. How tall is the tower, \overline{DC} , if $m\angle DAC = 71^\circ$?

$$\begin{aligned}\tan 71 &= \frac{DC}{250} \\ DC &= 250 \tan 71 \\ DC &\approx 726.1\end{aligned}$$

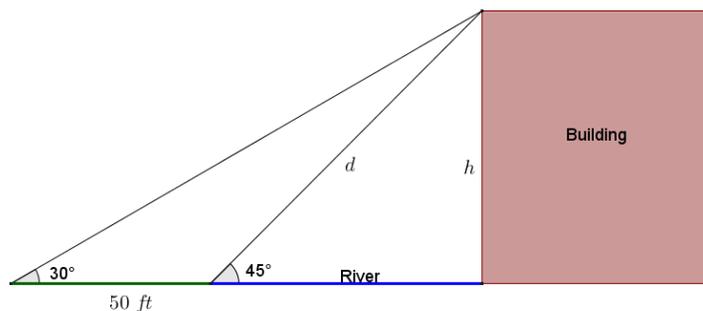
The tower is approximately 726.1 meters tall.

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The angle of depression from the top of the building to the man's original spot is also 45° , and the angle of depression to his final position is 60° , so the difference of the angles is 15° . Let d represent the distance from the man's position at the edge of the river to the top of the building, and let h represent the height of the building in feet.



Using the law of sines:

$$\frac{\sin 30}{d} = \frac{\sin 15}{50}$$

$$d = \frac{50 \sin 30}{\sin 15} \approx 96.6$$

The distance d is approximately 96.6 feet.

By the Pythagorean theorem, the distance $d = h\sqrt{2}$.

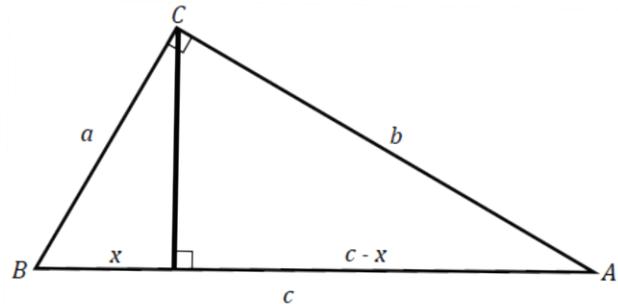
$$50 \frac{\sin 30}{\sin 15} = h\sqrt{2}$$

$$\frac{25}{\sin 15(\sqrt{2})} = h$$

$$h \approx 68.3$$

The distance from the viewer to the top of the building is approximately 97 ft., and the height of the building is approximately 68 ft.

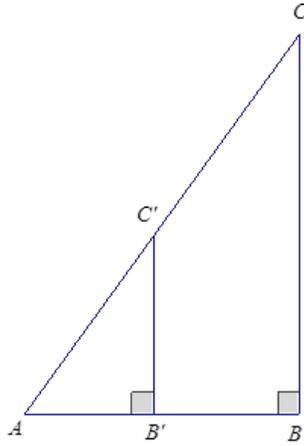
5. Prove the Pythagorean theorem using similar triangles. Provide a well-labeled diagram to support your justification.



A right triangle ABC has side lengths a , b , and c . An altitude is drawn from C to the opposite side, dividing c into lengths x and $c - x$. Since the altitude from C divides the triangle into smaller similar right triangles by the AA criterion, then:

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{a}{x} &= \frac{c}{a} \\ a^2 &= cx \\ \frac{b}{c - x} &= \frac{c}{b} \\ b^2 &= c(c - x) \\ a^2 + b^2 &= cx + c(c - x) = c^2 \\ a^2 + b^2 &= c^2\end{aligned}$$

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By the AA criterion, $\triangle ABC \sim \triangle AB'C'$. Let r be the scale factor of the similarity transformation. Then, $B'C' = r \cdot BC$, and $AC' = r \cdot AC$. Thus,

$$\cos C' = \frac{B'C'}{AC'} = \frac{r \cdot BC}{r \cdot AC} = \frac{BC}{AC} = \cos C$$

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Isosceles triangles with vertex angle x are similar to each other; therefore, the value of zine x , the ratio of the length of the base of that triangle to the length of one of the equal sides, is the same for all such triangles.

- b. Describe a relationship between zine and sin.

$$\text{zine } x = 2 \sin \frac{1}{2}x$$