

# PC11 Trigonometry Lesson

Last year you learned about right-angle trigonometry: SOH CAH TOA. This year in Pre-Calculus 11 you will learn how to solve non right-angle triangles using the Sine Law and the Cosine Law. Do your best to understand this year's trigonometry concepts because you will learn more about trigonometry next year.

- Use of sine and cosine laws to solve non-right triangles, including ambiguous cases
- Contextual and non-contextual problems
- Angles in standard position
- Degrees
- Special angles, as connected with the 30-60-90 and 45-45-90 triangles
- Unit circle
- Reference and co-terminal angles
- Terminal arm
- Trigonometric ratios
- Simple trigonometric equations

1. Label the location of the four quadrants

2. In which Quadrant is  $\theta$  located?

a.  $\theta = 120^\circ$

b.  $\theta = -45^\circ$

c.  $\theta = 400^\circ$

d.  $\theta = -1100^\circ$

3.  $\theta = 300^\circ$

a. What is the reference angle?

b. Find a positive coterminal angle to  $\theta = 300^\circ$

c. Find a negative coterminal angle to  $\theta = 300^\circ$

4. Enrichment: Radians vs. Degrees

This year we measure the angle  $\theta$  in degrees. Next year we use a different unit called radians.

One full revolution =  $2\pi$  radians =  $360^\circ$

a. Convert  $\pi$  radians to degrees

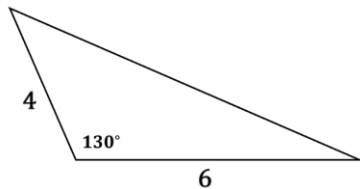
b. Convert  $\frac{\pi}{4}$  radians to degrees

c. Convert  $\frac{\pi}{6}$  radians to degrees

5. Enrichment:

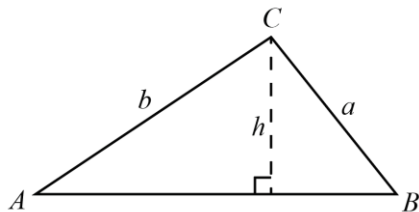
a. Show that the area of a triangle is  $A_{\Delta} = \frac{1}{2}ab \sin C$

b. Find the area of the triangle below:



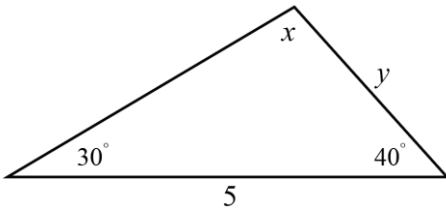
6. Enrichment:

a. Use the triangle below to help you prove the Sine Law:  $\frac{\sin A}{a} = \frac{\sin B}{b} = \frac{\sin C}{c}$

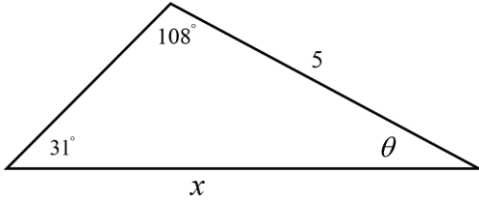


b. Given the previous proof, why does it follow that  $\frac{a}{\sin A} = \frac{b}{\sin B} = \frac{c}{\sin C}$ ?

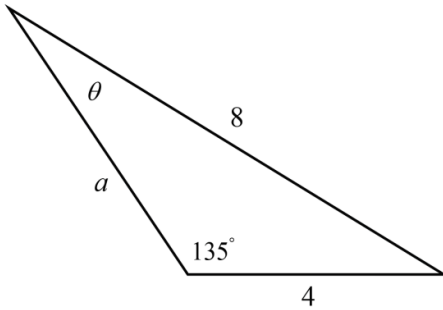
7. Solve  $x$  and  $y$  the ASA triangle below:



8. Solve  $x$  and  $\theta$  in the following AAS triangle below:



9. Solve  $\theta$  and  $a$  in the following SSA triangle below:

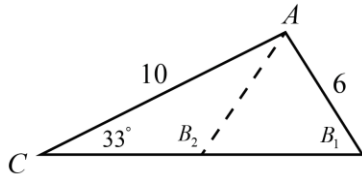


10. No diagram: Solve the following triangle:  
 $\angle C = 140^\circ, b = 6, c = 30$

11. Consider the ambiguous case:

$\angle C = 33^\circ$ . Side  $c = 6$ . Side  $b = 10$ .

a. What are the possible angles of  $B$ ?



b. What are the possible lengths of  $a$ ?

12. Enrichment: State the number of possible triangles that can be formed.

Confirm your answer with an online triangle calculator.

a.  $\angle B = 32^\circ$ ,  $a = 27$ ,  $b = 22$

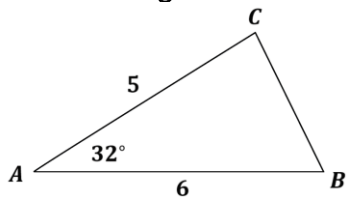
b.  $\angle B = 96^\circ$ ,  $b = 25$ ,  $a = 6$

c.  $\angle B = 34^\circ$ ,  $a = 23$ ,  $b = 7$

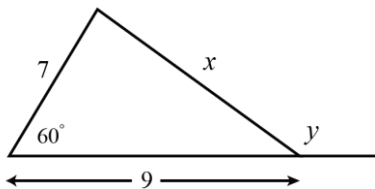
d.  $\angle A = 30^\circ$ ,  $AC = 8$ ,  $BC = 5$

13. When solving a non-right-angled triangle, when should the Sine Law vs. Cosine Law be used?

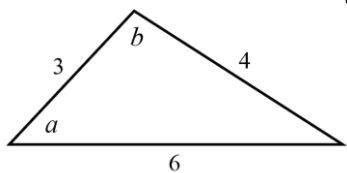
14. Find side length  $CB$  in the diagram below:



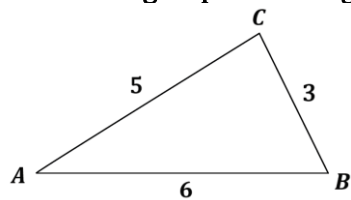
15. Find  $x$  and  $y$  in the following SAS triangle:



16. Find  $a$  and  $b$  in the following SSS triangle:



17. Find the largest possible angle in the diagram below:

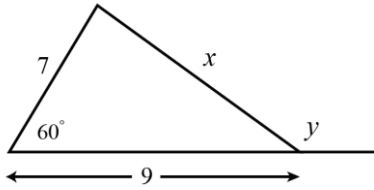


18. Given  $c^2 = a^2 + b^2 - 2ab \cos C$ , find an expression for  $\angle C$

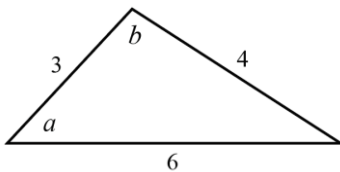


21. When solving a non-right-angled triangle, when should the Sine Law vs. Cosine Law be used?

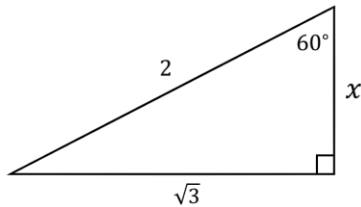
22. Find  $x$  and  $y$  in the following SAS triangle:



23. Find  $a$  and  $b$  in the following SSS triangle:



24. See the right triangle below:



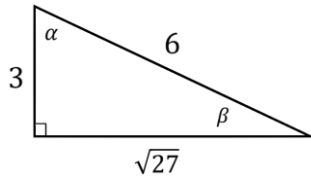
a. Solve  $x$  using the Pythagorean Theorem

b. Find the value of the missing angle

c. Solve  $x$  using the Sine Law

d. Solve  $x$  using the Cosine Law

25. Solve the unknown angles in the diagram below:

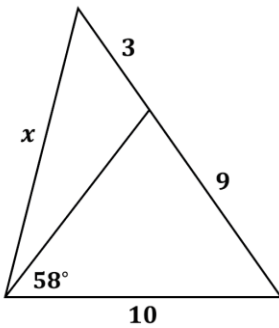


a. Using SOH CAH TOA

b. Using the Sine Law

c. Using the Cosine Law

26. Solve  $x$  in the triangle below:



27. Basic trigonometric identity:  $\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{?}$



28. Explain how drawing a 2-2-2 equilateral triangle can help you memorize the primary trigonometric ratios.

29. Memorize the values of the following special angles:

a.  $\sin 30^\circ$

b.  $\sin 45^\circ$

c.  $\sin 60^\circ$

d.  $\cos 30^\circ$

e.  $\cos 45^\circ$

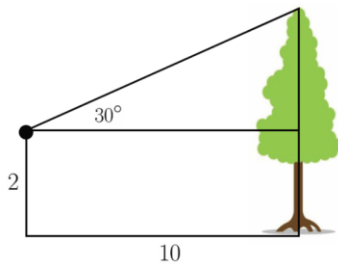
f.  $\cos 60^\circ$

g.  $\tan 30^\circ$

h.  $\tan 45^\circ$

i.  $\tan 60^\circ$

30. Find the exact height of the tree without a calculator and simplify your answer using your knowledge of special angles.



**31. Evaluate**

a.  $\sin 120^\circ$

b.  $\cos 330^\circ$

c.  $\sin 225^\circ$

d.  $-\sin 225^\circ$

e.  $\tan(-420^\circ)$

**32. Quadrantal angles – Find:**

a.  $\sin 90^\circ$

b.  $\cos 180^\circ$

c.  $\sin(-360^\circ)$

d.  $\tan(180^\circ)$

**33. Label the  $(x, y)$  coordinates on the unit circle for  $P(\theta)$  when:**

a.  $\theta = 30^\circ$

b.  $\theta = 45^\circ$

c.  $\theta = 60^\circ$

d.  $\theta = 90^\circ$

e.  $\theta = 210^\circ$

f.  $\theta = 270^\circ$

g.  $\theta = 315^\circ$

h.  $\theta = 720^\circ$

34. If  $\sin \theta$  is negative and  $\cos \theta$  is positive, what quadrant must  $\theta$  be in?

35. Solve the following trigonometric equations within the domain

$0 \leq \theta \leq 360^\circ$ :

a.  $\sin \theta = \frac{1}{2}$

b.  $\sin \theta = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$

c.  $\sin A = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

d.  $\sin \beta = -\sqrt{3}/2$

e.  $\cos \theta = -0.5$

f.  $\tan x = \sqrt{3}$

g.  $\tan \theta = -2$

h.  $\sin \theta = 2$

36.  $\theta$  in standard position on the unit circle has coordinates  $(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$ . Find  $\theta$

- 37. Challenge:** A boat travels 13 km in the direction  $N30^\circ W$ . It then adjusts its course and heads  $S70^\circ W$ , travelling another 20 km in this new direction.
- a. How far is the boat from its initial position?

- b. **Enrichment:** Bearings are angles measured in a clockwise direction from the north line. What is the bearing of the boat in its final position as compared to its initial position?

- 38. Enrichment:** Visually represent  $\tan \theta$  on the unit circle.