

## EXERCISE 20.4

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1. Find the area in square centimetres of a triangle whose base and altitude are as under:

(i) Base = 18 cm, altitude = 3.5 cm

(ii) Base = 8 dm, altitude = 15 cm

**Solution:**

(i) Given base = 18 cm and height = 3.5 cm

We know that the area of a triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Base x Height)

Therefore area of the triangle =  $\frac{1}{2} \times 18 \times 3.5$   
= 31.5 cm<sup>2</sup>

(ii) Given base = 8 dm = (8 x 10) cm = 80 cm [Since 1 dm = 10 cm]

And height = 15 cm

We know that the area of a triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Base x Height)

Therefore area of the triangle =  $\frac{1}{2} \times 80 \times 15$   
= 600 cm<sup>2</sup>

2. Find the altitude of a triangle whose area is 42 cm<sup>2</sup> and base is 12 cm.

**Solution:**

Given base = 12 cm and area = 42 cm<sup>2</sup>

We know that the area of a triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Base x Height)

Therefore altitude of a triangle = (2 x Area)/Base

Altitude = (2 x 42)/12  
= 7 cm

3. The area of a triangle is 50 cm<sup>2</sup>. If the altitude is 8 cm, what is its base?

**Solution:**

Given, altitude = 8 cm and area = 50 cm<sup>2</sup>

We know that the area of a triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Base x Height)

Therefore base of a triangle = (2 x Area)/ Altitude

Base = (2 x 50)/ 8  
= 12.5 cm

**4. Find the area of a right angled triangle whose sides containing the right angle are of lengths 20.8 m and 14.7 m.**

**Solution:**

In a right-angled triangle,

The sides containing the right angles are of lengths 20.8 m and 14.7 m.

Let the base be 20.8 m and the height be 14.7 m.

Then,

Area of a triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Base x Height)

=  $\frac{1}{2}$  (20.8 × 14.7)

= 152.88 m<sup>2</sup>

**5. The area of a triangle, whose base and the corresponding altitude are 15 cm and 7 cm, is equal to area of a right triangle whose one of the sides containing the right angle is 10.5 cm. Find the other side of this triangle.**

**Solution:**

For the first triangle, given that

Base = 15 cm and altitude = 7 cm

We know that area of a triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Base x Altitude)

=  $\frac{1}{2}$  (15 × 7)

= 52.5 cm<sup>2</sup>

It is also given that the area of the first triangle and the second triangle are equal.

Area of the second triangle = 52.5 cm<sup>2</sup>

One side of the second triangle = 10.5 cm

Therefore, The other side of the second triangle =  $(2 \times \text{Area}) / \text{One side of a triangle}$

=  $(2 \times 52.5) / 10.5$

= 10 cm

Hence, the other side of the second triangle will be 10 cm.

**6. A rectangular field is 48 m long and 20 m wide. How many right triangular flower beds, whose sides containing the right angle measure 12 m and 5 m can be laid in this field?**

**Solution:**

Given length of the rectangular field = 48 m

Breadth of the rectangular field = 20 m

Area of the rectangular field = Length x Breadth  
 = 48 m x 20 m  
 = 960 m<sup>2</sup>

Area of one right triangular flower bed =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (12 x 5) = 30 m<sup>2</sup>

Therefore, required number of right triangular flower beds = area of the rectangular field/ area of one right triangular flower bed.

= 960/30

Number of right triangular flower beds = 32

**7. In Fig. 29, ABCD is a quadrilateral in which diagonal AC = 84 cm; DL ⊥ AC, BM ⊥ AC, DL = 16.5 cm and BM = 12 cm. Find the area of quadrilateral ABCD.**

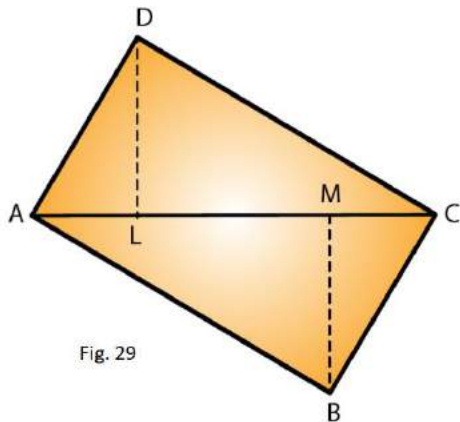


Fig. 29

**Solution:**

Given AC = 84 cm, DL = 16.5 cm and BM = 12 cm

We know that area of triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}$  x base x height

Area of triangle ADC =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (AC x DL)

=  $\frac{1}{2}$  (84 x 16.5)

= 693 cm<sup>2</sup>

Area of triangle ABC =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (AC x BM)

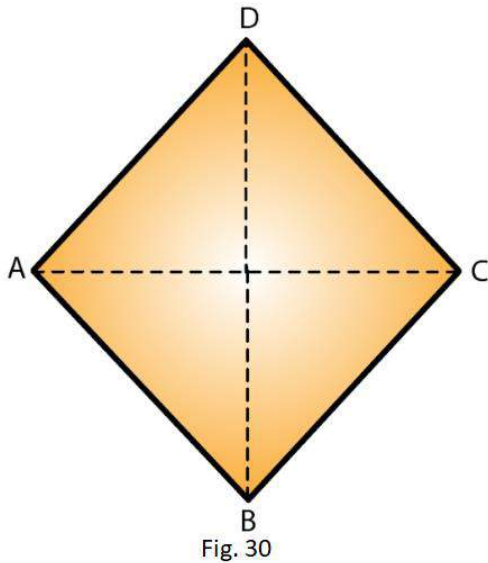
=  $\frac{1}{2}$  (84 x 12) = 504 cm<sup>2</sup>

Hence, Area of quadrilateral ABCD = Area of triangle ADC + Area of triangle ABC

= (693 + 504) cm<sup>2</sup>

= 1197 cm<sup>2</sup>

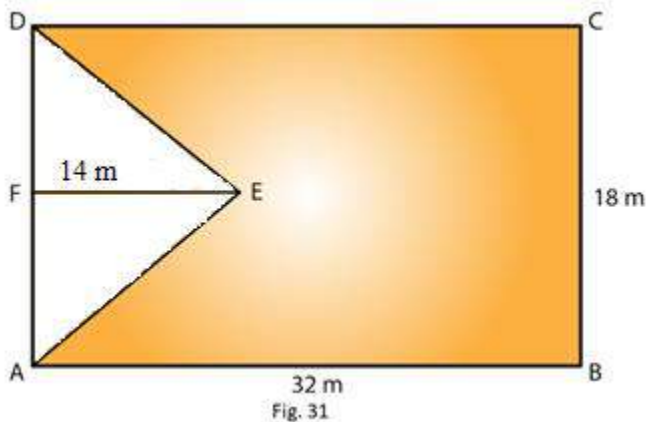
**8. Find the area of the quadrilateral ABCD given in Fig. 30. The diagonals AC and BD measure 48 m and 32 m respectively and are perpendicular to each other.**



**Solution:**

Given diagonal AC = 48 m and diagonal BD = 32 m  
 Area of a quadrilateral =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (Product of diagonals)  
 =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (AC x BD)  
 =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (48 x 32) m<sup>2</sup>  
 = 768 m<sup>2</sup>

9. In Fig 31, ABCD is a rectangle with dimensions 32 m by 18 m. ADE is a triangle such that EF ⊥ AD and EF = 14 cm. Calculate the area of the shaded region.



**Solution:**

Given length of rectangle = 32m and breadth = 18m  
 We know that area of rectangle = length x breadth  
 Therefore area of the rectangle = AB x BC  
 = 32 m x 18 m  
 = 576 m<sup>2</sup>

Also given that base of triangle = 18m and height = 14m and  $EF \perp AD$

We know that area of triangle =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}$

Area of the triangle =  $\frac{1}{2} (AD \times FE)$

=  $\frac{1}{2} (BC \times FE)$  [Since  $AD = BC$ ]

=  $\frac{1}{2} (18 \text{ m} \times 14 \text{ m})$

=  $126 \text{ m}^2$

Area of the shaded region = Area of the rectangle – Area of the triangle

=  $(576 - 126) \text{ m}^2$

=  $450 \text{ m}^2$

10. In Fig. 32, ABCD is a rectangle of length  $AB = 40 \text{ cm}$  and breadth  $BC = 25 \text{ cm}$ . If P, Q, R, S be the mid-points of the sides AB, BC, CD and DA respectively, find the area of the shaded region.

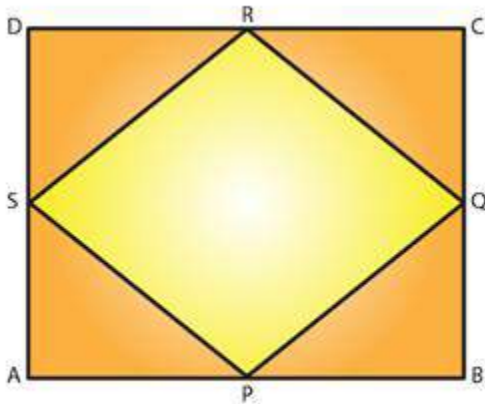
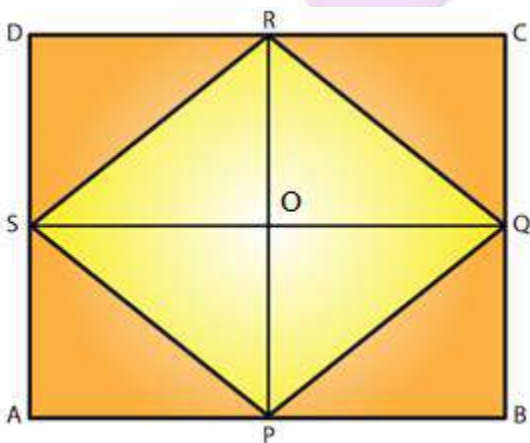


Fig. 32

**Solution:**



Given ABCD is a rectangle of length  $AB = 40 \text{ cm}$  and breadth  $BC = 25 \text{ cm}$ .

Join PR and SQ so that these two lines bisect each other at point O

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Also } OP &= OR = RP/2 \\ &= 25/2 \\ &= 12.5 \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

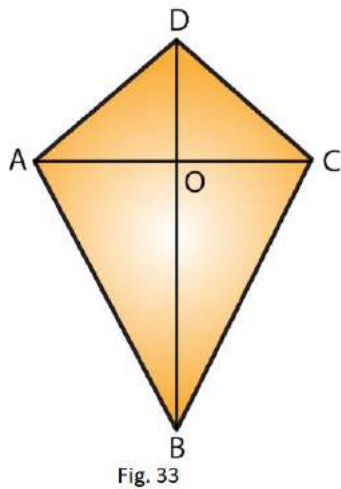
From the given figure it is clear that,

Area of Triangle SPQ = Area of Triangle SRQ

Hence, area of the shaded region = 2 x (Area of SPQ)

$$\begin{aligned} &= 2 \times (1/2 (SQ \times OP)) \\ &= 2 \times (1/2 (40 \times 12.5)) \\ &= 500 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

11. Calculate the area of the quadrilateral ABCD as shown in Fig.33, given that  $BD = 42$  cm,  $AC = 28$  cm,  $OD = 12$  cm and  $AC \perp BO$ .



**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} BD &= 42 \text{ cm, } AC = 28 \text{ cm, } OD = 12 \text{ cm} \\ \text{Area of Triangle ABC} &= 1/2 (AC \times OB) \\ &= 1/2 (AC \times (BD - OD)) \\ &= 1/2 (28 \text{ cm} \times (42 \text{ cm} - 12 \text{ cm})) \\ &= 1/2 (28 \text{ cm} \times 30 \text{ cm}) \\ &= 14 \text{ cm} \times 30 \text{ cm} \\ &= 420 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

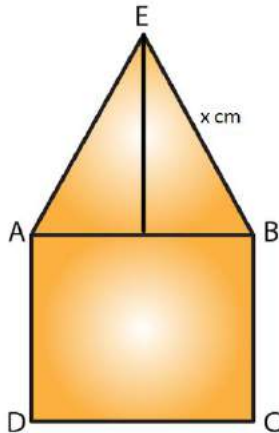
$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area of Triangle ADC} &= 1/2 (AC \times OD) = 1/2 (28 \text{ cm} \times 12 \text{ cm}) \\ &= 14 \text{ cm} \times 12 \text{ cm} \\ &= 168 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Hence, Area of the quadrilateral ABCD} &= \text{Area of triangle ABC} + \text{Area of triangle ADC} \\ &= (420 + 168) \text{ cm}^2 \\ &= 588 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$



**12. Find the area of figure formed by a square of side 8 cm and an isosceles triangle with base as one side of the square and perimeter as 18 cm.**

**Solution:**



Let  $x$  cm be one of the equal sides of an isosceles triangle.

Given that the perimeter of the isosceles triangle = 18 cm

Then,  $x + x + 8 = 18$

$2x = (18 - 8) = 10$  cm

$2x = 10$

$x = 5$  cm

Area of the figure formed = Area of the square + Area of the isosceles triangle

$= (\text{side of square})^2 + \frac{1}{2} (\text{base} \times \sqrt{[(\text{equal side})^2 - \frac{1}{4} \times (\text{base})^2]})$

$= 8^2 + \frac{1}{2} (8) \times \sqrt{[5^2 - \frac{1}{4} \times 8^2]}$

$= 64 + 4 \times \sqrt{[25 - \frac{1}{4} \times 64]}$

$= 64 + 4 \times \sqrt{(25 - 16)}$

$= 64 + 4 \times \sqrt{9}$

$= 64 + 4 \times 3$

$= 64 + 12$

$= 76 \text{ cm}^2$

**13. Find the area of Fig. 34, in the following ways: (i) Sum of the areas of three triangles (ii) Area of a rectangle — sum of the areas of five triangles**

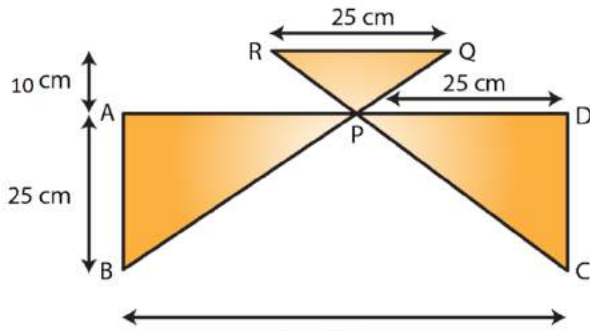


Fig. 34

**Solution:**

(i) From the figure, P is the midpoint of AD.

Thus  $AP = PD = 25\text{ cm}$  and  $AB = CD = 20\text{ cm}$

From the figure, we observed that,

Area of Triangle APB = Area of Triangle PDC

Area of Triangle APB =  $\frac{1}{2} (AB \times AP)$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (20 \times 25)$$

$$= 250\text{ cm}^2$$

Area of Triangle PDC = Area of Triangle APB =  $250\text{ cm}^2$

Area of Triangle RPQ =  $\frac{1}{2} (\text{Base} \times \text{Height})$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (25\text{ cm} \times 10\text{ cm})$$

$$= 125\text{ cm}^2$$

Hence, Sum of the three triangles =  $(250 + 250 + 125)\text{ cm}^2$

$$= 625\text{ cm}^2$$

(ii) From the figure, area of the rectangle ABCD =  $50\text{ cm} \times 20\text{ cm}$

$$= 1000\text{ cm}^2$$

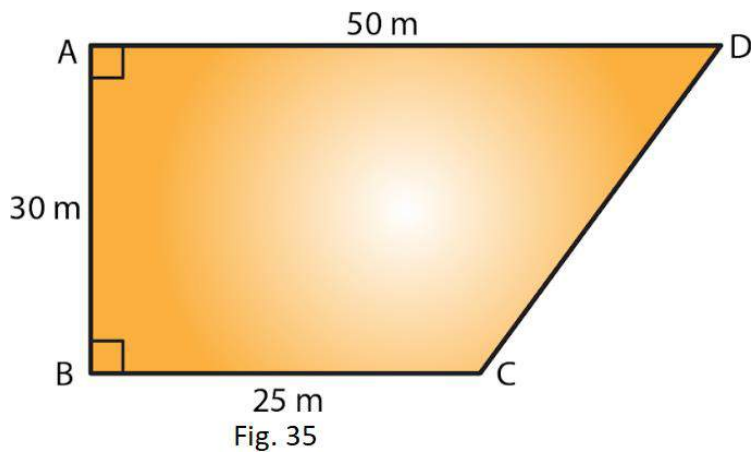
Thus, Area of the rectangle – Sum of the areas of three triangles

$$= (1000 - 625)\text{ cm}^2$$

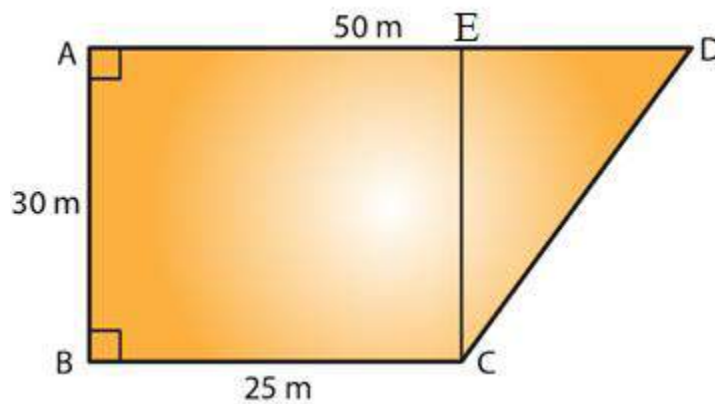
$$= 375\text{ cm}^2$$

**14. Calculate the area of quadrilateral field ABCD as shown in Fig.35, by dividing it into a rectangle and a triangle.**





**Solution:**



Join CE, so that which intersect AD at point E.

Given  $AE = ED = BC = 25\text{ m}$  and  $EC = AB = 30\text{ m}$

Area of rectangle = length  $\times$  breadth

Area of the rectangle ABCE =  $AB \times BC$

$$= 30\text{ m} \times 25\text{ m}$$

$$= 750\text{ m}^2$$

Area of triangle =  $\frac{1}{2} \times \text{base} \times \text{height}$

Area of Triangle CED =  $\frac{1}{2} (EC \times ED)$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (30\text{ m} \times 25\text{ m})$$

$$= 375\text{ m}^2$$

Hence, Area of the quadrilateral ABCD =  $(750 + 375)\text{ m}^2 = 1125\text{ m}^2$

**15. Calculate the area of the pentagon ABCDE, where  $AB = AE$  and with dimensions as shown in Fig. 36.**

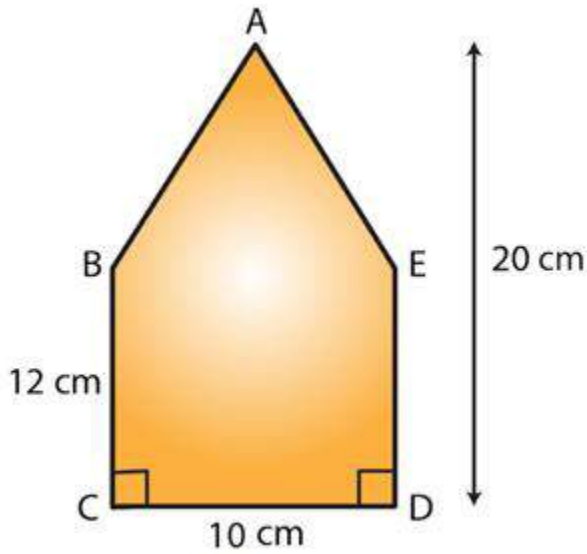
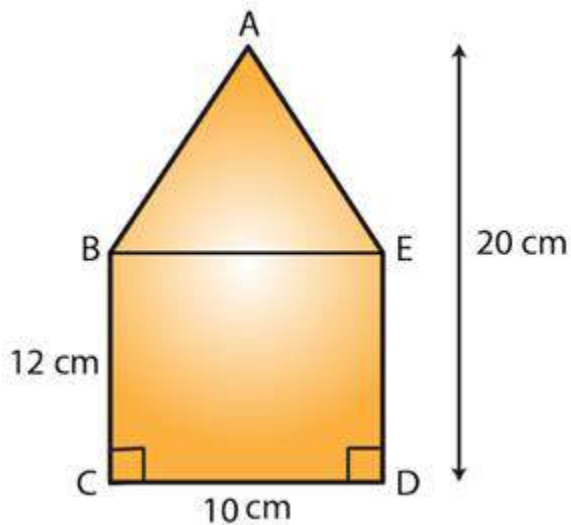


Fig. 36

**Solution:**



Join BE so that we can get rectangle and triangle.

We know that area of rectangle = length x breadth

Area of the rectangle BCDE = CD x DE

$$= 10 \text{ cm} \times 12 \text{ cm}$$

$$= 120 \text{ cm}^2$$

Area of triangle =  $\frac{1}{2}$  x base x height

Area of Triangle ABE =  $\frac{1}{2}$  (BE x height of the triangle)

$$= \frac{1}{2} (10 \text{ cm} \times (20 - 12) \text{ cm})$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} (10 \text{ cm} \times 8 \text{ cm})$$

$$= 40 \text{ cm}^2$$

Hence, Area of the pentagon ABCDE = area of rectangle + area of triangle

$$\begin{aligned} &= (120 + 40) \text{ cm}^2 \\ &= 160 \text{ cm}^2 \end{aligned}$$

**16. The base of a triangular field is three times its altitude. If the cost of cultivating the field at Rs 24.60 per hectare is Rs 332.10, find its base and height.**

**Solution:**

Let altitude of the triangular field be  $h$  m

Then base of the triangular field is  $3h$  m.

We know that area of triangle =  $\frac{1}{2} \times b \times h$

$$\text{Area of the triangular field} = \frac{1}{2} (h \times 3h) = \frac{3h^2}{2} \text{ m}^2 \dots\dots (i)$$

The rate of cultivating the field is Rs 24.60 per hectare.

Therefore,

$$\text{Area of the triangular field} = 332.10 / 24.60$$

$$= 13.5 \text{ hectare}$$

$$= 135000 \text{ m}^2 \text{ [Since 1 hectare} = 10000 \text{ m}^2] \dots\dots (ii)$$

From equation (i) and (ii) we have,

$$\frac{3h^2}{2} = 135000 \text{ m}^2$$

$$3h^2 = 135000 \times 2 = 270000 \text{ m}^2$$

$$h^2 = 270000/3$$

$$= 90000 \text{ m}^2$$

$$= (300)^2$$

$$h = 300 \text{ m}$$

Hence, Height of the triangular field = 300 m and

Base of the triangular field =  $3 \times 300 \text{ m} = 900 \text{ m}$

**17. A wall is 4.5 m long and 3 m high. It has two equal windows, each having form and dimensions as shown in Fig. 37. Find the cost of painting the wall (leaving windows) at the rate of Rs 15 per  $\text{m}^2$ .**

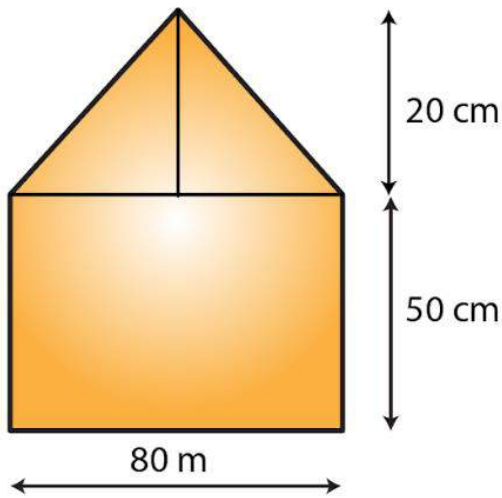


Fig. 37

**Solution:**

Given length of a wall = 4.5 m

Breadth of the wall = 3 m

We know that the area of triangle = length x Breadth

Area of the wall = Length x Breadth

$$= 4.5 \text{ m} \times 3 \text{ m} = 13.5 \text{ m}^2$$

From the figure we observed that,

Area of the window = Area of the rectangle + Area of the triangle

$$= (0.8 \text{ m} \times 0.5 \text{ m}) + (1/2 \times 0.8 \text{ m} \times 0.2 \text{ m}) \text{ [Since } 1 \text{ m} = 100 \text{ cm]}$$

$$= 0.4 \text{ m}^2 + 0.08 \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 0.48 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{Area of two windows} = 2 \times 0.48 = 0.96 \text{ m}^2$$

$$\text{Area of the remaining wall (leaving windows)} = (13.5 - 0.96) \text{ m}^2$$

$$= 12.54 \text{ m}^2$$

Cost of painting the wall per  $\text{m}^2$  = Rs. 15

Hence, the cost of painting the wall = Rs. (15 x 12.54)

$$= \text{Rs. } 188.1$$