

Grade 07: Maths Exam Important Questions







2. A 15 *m* long ladder reached a window 12 *m* high from the ground on placing it against a wall at a distance *a*. Find the distance of the foot of the ladder from the wall.



[2 marks]

Let the distance of the foot of the ladder from the wall be a. Now applying Pythagoras' property: $(a)^2 + (12 m)^2 = (15 m)^2$ [0.5 mark]

$$(a)^{2} + (12 m)^{2} = (15 m)^{2}$$

 $\Rightarrow a^{2} = 225 m^{2} - 144 m^{2}$
 $\Rightarrow a^{2} = 81 m^{2}$
 $\Rightarrow a = 9 m$
[1.5 marks]

Hence, the distance of the foot of the ladder from the wall is 9 m.



3. A tree is broken at a height of 5 m from the ground and its top touches the ground at a distance of 12 m from the base of the tree. Find the original height of the tree.



[3 marks]

Let, the length of the broken part (inclined to the ground) be x. [0.5 mark]

Applying Pythagoras' theorem in the triangle formed, $\Rightarrow (5 m)^2 + (12 m)^2 = x^2 \Rightarrow 25 m^2 + 144 m^2 = x^2$ $\Rightarrow x^2 = 169 m^2$ $\Rightarrow x = 13 m$ [1.5 marks]

Hence, the original height of the tree = 5 m + 13 m = 18 m[1 mark]





Which of the following can be the sides of a right-angled triangle? (i) 2.5 cm, 6.5 cm, 6 cm (ii) 2 cm, 2 cm, 5 cm In the case of right-angled triangles, identify the right angles. [4 marks] (i) The sides of a right-angled triangle always follow Pythagoras' property. [0.5 mark] Now, $(2.5 cm)^2 + (6 cm)^2$ $= 6.25 \ cm^2 + 36 \ cm^2$ $=42.25\ cm^2$ $= (6.5 \ cm)^2$ So, $(2.5 cm)^2 + (6 cm)^2 = (6.5 cm)^2$ Hence, these are the sides of a right-angled triangles.

The length of the hypotenuse is 6.5 cm. [1.5 marks]

(ii) The sides of a right-angled triangle always follow Pythagoras' property. [0.5 mark]

Now,
$$(2\ cm)^2 + (2\ cm)^2$$

4.

$$=4\ cm^2+4\ cm^2 \ =8\ cm^2 \ =(4\sqrt{2}\ cm)^2$$

So, $(2.5 \ cm)^2 + (6 \ cm)^2 = (4\sqrt{2} \ cm)^2 \neq 5 \ cm$

Hence, these are not the sides of a right-angled triangles. [1.5 marks]

5. The diagonals of a rhombus measure 16 cm and 30 cm. Find its perimeter. [4 marks]

Given: Diagonals AC = 30 cm and DB = 16 cm. Since the diagonals of the rhombus bisect at right angle to each other.

16 cm 30 cm Α Therefore, $OD = \frac{DB}{2} = \frac{16}{2} = 8 \ cm$ And, $OC = \frac{AC}{2} = \frac{30}{2} = 15 \ cm$ [1 mark] Now, in right angle triangle DOC, $(DC)^2 = (OD)^2 + (OC)^2$ $\Rightarrow (DC)^2 = (8)^2 + (15)^2$ $\Rightarrow (DC)^2 = 64 + 225 = 289$ $\Rightarrow DC = \sqrt{289} = 17 \ cm$ [2 marks] Perimeter of rhombus = $4 \times side$ $= 4 \times 17 = 68 \ cm$ Thus, the perimeter of rhombus is 68 cm. [1 mark]



6. AM is the median of triangle ABC. Is AB + BC + CA > 2AM?



[2 marks]

In $\triangle ABC$ we have two sub triangles $\triangle ABM$ and $\triangle AMC$.

So, in triangle \triangle ABM using the inequality of the triangle that the sum of any two sides is always greater than or equal to the third side.

We have, AB+BM>AM(1) [0.5 mark]

Using the same in \triangle AMC, MC+CA>AM(2) [0.5 mark]

Adding equation (1) and (2), We get AB+(BM+MC)+AC>2AMAB+BC+CA>2AM

Hence AB+BC+CA> 2AM is proved to be true. [1 mark]





7. The lengths of two sides of a triangle are 13 cm and 16 cm. The third side should lie between 'a' cm and 'b' cm for the triangle to be formed. What will be the value of a + b?



The third side of a triangle must be greater than the difference between the other two sides.

That is, third side > (16 - 13) which is 3.

Also, the sum of lengths of any two sides of a triangle is always greater than the third side.

That is, third side < (16 + 13) which is 29.

Hence, a + b = 3 + 29 = 32.

8. The lengths of two sides of a triangle are 6 cm and 8 cm. Between which two numbers can length of the third side fall?

[3 marks]

We know that the sum of two sides of a triangle is always greater than the third.

Therefore, third side has to be less than the sum of the two sides. The third side is thus, less than 8 cm + 6 cm = 14 cm. [1 mark]

The side cannot be less than the difference of the two sides. Thus, the third side has to be more than 8 cm - 6 cm = 2 cm. [1 mark]

The length of the third side could be any length greater than 2 and less than 14 cm. [1 mark]



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Solution:

According to the given figure and question, we have:

$$\angle CBP = 180^{\circ} - \angle ABC$$

(BO is the bisector of $\angle CBP$)
 $\angle CBO = \frac{1}{2}\angle CBP$
 $\angle CBO = \frac{1}{2}(180^{\circ} - \angle ABC)$
 $\angle CBO = 90^{\circ} - \frac{1}{2}\angle ABC$ (1)

$$egin{aligned} & \angle BOC = 180^\circ - (\angle CBO + \angle BCO) \ & \angle BOC = 180^\circ - (90^\circ - rac{1}{2} \angle ABC + 90^\circ - rac{1}{2} \angle ACB) \ & \angle BOC = 180^\circ - 180^\circ + rac{1}{2} \angle ABC + rac{1}{2} \angle ACB \ & \angle BOC = rac{1}{2} (\angle ABC + \angle ACB) \end{aligned}$$

 $(ext{We have}: 180^\circ - ot{BAC} = ot{ABC} + ot{ACB} ext{ by triangle property})$ $\Rightarrow \ \angle BOC = rac{1}{2}(180^\circ - \angle BAC)$ $\therefore \ \angle BOC = 90^{\circ} - \frac{1}{2} \angle BAC$

Hence proved.





Using Exterior Angle Property of a triangle. $\Rightarrow 50^{\circ} + x = 120^{\circ}$ $\Rightarrow x = 120^{\circ} - 50^{\circ}$ $\Rightarrow x = 70^{\circ}$ [1 mark]

Using the angle sum property of a triangle.

 $\Rightarrow 50^{\circ} + x + y = 180^{\circ}$ $\Rightarrow y = 180^{\circ} - 50^{\circ} - 70^{\circ}$ $\Rightarrow y = 60^{\circ} \qquad [1 \text{ mark}]$

11. Think and answer the following questions.

I) Can you think of a triangle in which two altitudes of the triangle are two of its sides?

II) Will an altitude always lie in the interior of a triangle?

[2 marks]

Right-angled triangle is the triangle in which two altitudes of the triangle are two of its sides.

[1 mark]

No, altitude may lie in the interior or the exterior of a triangle.

[1 mark]

