

**Similarity Quest**

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- Which set of numbers can not represent the lengths of the sides of a triangle?
  - a) {6, 8, 11} ✓
  - b) {7, 5, 6} ✓
  - c) {7, 18, 11} ✓
  - d) {9, 12, 19} ✓
- If the lengths of two sides of a triangle are 6 and 8, the length of the third side may be
  - a) 7 ✓
- Which set of numbers could not represent the lengths of the sides of a right triangle?
  - a) {1, 3,  $\sqrt{10}}$  ✓
  - b) {2, 3, 4} ✓
  - c) {3, 4, 5} ✓
  - d) {8, 15, 17} ✓
- As shown in the diagram of  $\triangle ACD$  below,  $b$  is a point on  $\overline{AC}$  and  $\overline{DB}$  is drawn.
 

If  $m\angle A = 66$ ,  $m\angle CDB = 18$ , and  $m\angle C = 24$ , what is the longest side of  $\triangle ABD$ ?
 
  - a)  $\overline{AB}$  ✓
  - b)  $\overline{DC}$
  - c)  $\overline{AD}$
  - d)  $\overline{BD}$

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- What is the length of the altitude of a right triangle whose hypotenuse has length 47?
  - a)  $2\sqrt{3}$
  - b) 2
  - c)  $4\sqrt{3}$
  - d) 4
- For which measure of the sides of  $\triangle ABC$  is angle B the largest angle of the triangle?
  - a)  $AB = 2, BC = 6, AC = 7$  ✓
  - b)  $AB = 6, BC = 12, AC = 8$
  - c)  $AB = 18, BC = 14, AC = 5$
  - d)  $AB = 16, BC = 9, AC = 10$
- In the diagram of  $\triangle ABC$  below,  $\overline{AB}$  is extended to point D.
 

If  $m\angle CAB = x + 40$ ,  $m\angle ACB = 3x + 10$ , and  $m\angle CBD = 6x$ , what is  $m\angle CAB$ ?
 
  - a) 13
  - b) 25 ✓
  - c) 53
  - d) 65
- In  $\triangle ABC$ ,  $m\angle A = 3x$ ,  $m\angle B = 4x - 19$ , and  $m\angle C = 3x - 1$ . Which statement is true?
  - a)  $\overline{AB}$  is the longest side of  $\triangle ABC$  ✓
  - b)  $\triangle ABC$  is an isosceles triangle.
  - c)  $\overline{AC}$  is the longest side of  $\triangle ABC$  ✓
  - d)  $\triangle ABC$  is an obtuse triangle.

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- The hypotenuse of right triangle  $ABC$  is 10 and  $m\angle A = 60$ . What is the measure, to the nearest tenth, of the leg opposite  $\angle A$ ?
  - a) 5.0
  - b) 5.8
  - c) 7.7
  - d) 8.7 ✓
- In the accompanying diagram,  $\triangle RST$  is a right triangle.  $\overline{SD}$  is the altitude to hypotenuse  $\overline{RT}$ ,  $RT = 16$ , and  $RU = 7$ .
 

What is the length of  $\overline{ST}$ ?
 
  - a)  $3\sqrt{7}$
  - b)  $4\sqrt{7}$
  - c) 9
  - d) 12 ✓

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- Answer: c
- Answer: a
- Answer: b
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$1^2 + (\sqrt{3})^2 = 2^2$   
 $1 + 3 = 4$

$1^2 + 1^2 = (\sqrt{2})^2$   
 $1 + 1 = 2$

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$\frac{S}{A} = \frac{A}{S}$   
 $\frac{4}{x} = \frac{x}{5}$   
 $x^2 = 20$   
 $x = \sqrt{20} = 4.5$   
 $CD = 4.5$   
 $AC = 6$   
 $\frac{H}{L} = \frac{L}{S}$   
 $\frac{9}{y} = \frac{y}{7}$   
 $y^2 = 36$   
 $y = 6$

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$y = 15 - x$   
 $y = 15 - 6$   
 $y = 9$   
 $\frac{8}{x} = \frac{12}{y}$   
 $12x = 8y$   
 $12x = 8(15 - x)$   
 $12x = 120 - 8x$   
 $+8x$   
 $20x = 120$   
 $\frac{20x}{20} = \frac{120}{20}$   
 $x = 6$

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$\frac{S}{A} = \frac{A}{S}$   
 $\frac{x}{6} = \frac{6}{x+5}$   
 $x(x+5) = 6 \cdot 6$   
 $x^2 + 5x = 36$   
 $x^2 + 5x - 36 = 0$   
 $(x+9)(x-4) = 0$   
 $x = -9$  (reject)  
 $x = 4$   
 $AB = 9 + 4 = 13$   
~~Wrong~~  
 ~~$x^2 + 5 = 36$~~   
 ~~$x^2 = 31$~~   
 ~~$x = \sqrt{31}$~~

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