

Geometry 8.3

Use the properties of 45-45-90 triangles

Use the properties of 30-60-90 triangles

~~Quiz 8.1-8.2 Tues.~~

isosceles

$$90 + 2x = 180$$

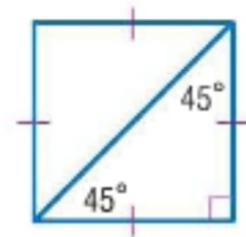
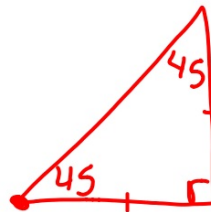
isosceles right triangle 45-45-90

equilateral triangle

30-60-90 triangle

special right triangle

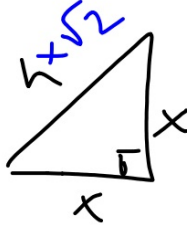
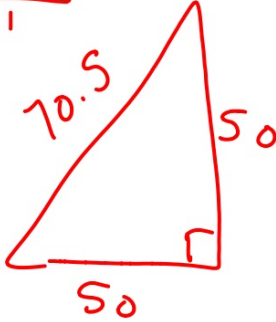
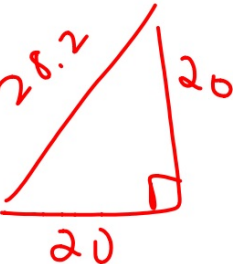
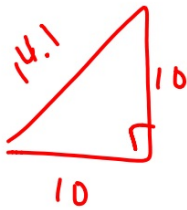
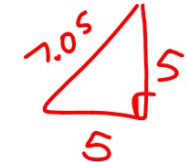
rationalizing the denominator



Isosceles Right triangles

Look for patterns

$$h = \text{leg} \cdot \sqrt{2}$$

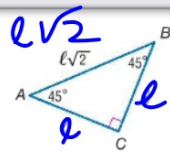


$$\begin{aligned} x^2 + x^2 &= h^2 \\ \sqrt{2} x^2 &= \sqrt{h^2} \\ x \cdot \sqrt{2} &= h \end{aligned}$$

**Theorem 8.8** 45°-45°-90° Triangle Theorem

In a 45°-45°-90° triangle, the legs  $\ell$  are congruent and the length of the hypotenuse  $h$  is  $\sqrt{2}$  times the length of a leg.

**Symbols** In a 45°-45°-90° triangle,  $\ell = \ell$  and  $h = \ell\sqrt{2}$ .



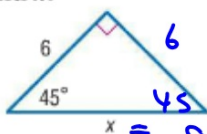
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**Example 1** Find the Hypotenuse Length in a  $45^\circ$ - $45^\circ$ - $90^\circ$  Triangle

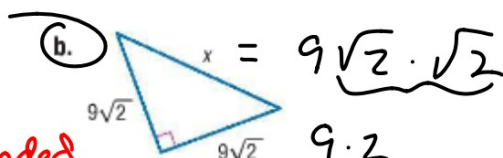
Find  $x$ .

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$$x = 8.5 \leftarrow \text{rounded}$$

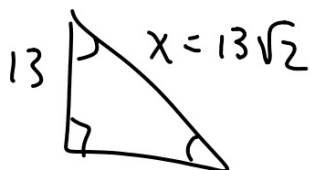
$$= 6\sqrt{2} \leftarrow \text{exact}$$



$$x = 9\sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{2}$$

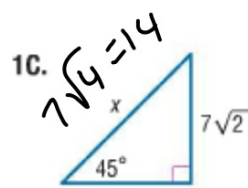
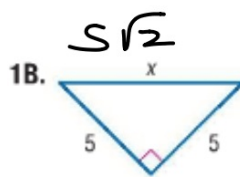
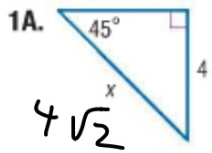
$$= 9 \cdot 2$$

$$= 18$$



Guided Practice

Find  $x$ .



Rationalize the

$$\frac{12 = x\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2} \sqrt{2}} \text{ denom.}$$

(no  $\sqrt{\quad}$  in denom.)

$$\frac{6}{8} = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$\frac{12(\sqrt{2})}{\sqrt{2}(\sqrt{2})} = x$$

$$\frac{12\sqrt{2}}{2} = 6\sqrt{2}$$

$x = ?$

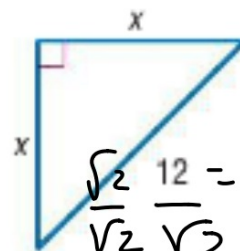
**Example 2** Find the Leg Lengths in a 45°-45°-90° Triangle

**Find  $x$ .**

The legs of this right triangle have the same measure,  $x$ , so it is a 45°-45°-90° triangle. Use Theorem 8.8 to find  $x$ .

**Review** Vocabulary

**rationalizing the denominator** a method used to eliminate radicals from the denominator of a fraction

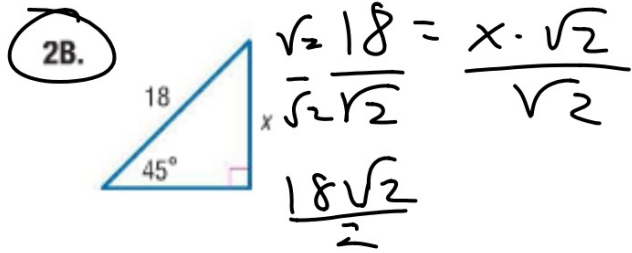
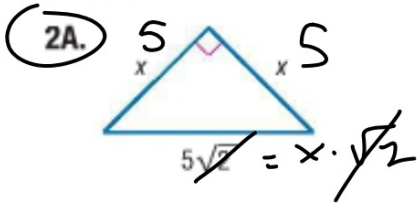


$$\frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot \frac{12}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{x \cdot \sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{12\sqrt{2}}{2} = x$$

$$6\sqrt{2} = x$$

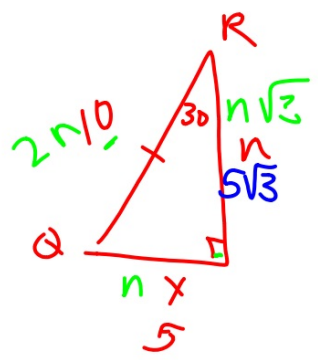
Guided Practice



$$x = 9\sqrt{2}$$



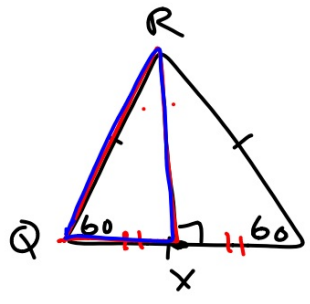
30-60-90 Triangles  
Look for patterns



$$5^2 + n^2 = 10^2$$

$$25 + n^2 = 100$$

$$\sqrt{n^2 = 75}$$



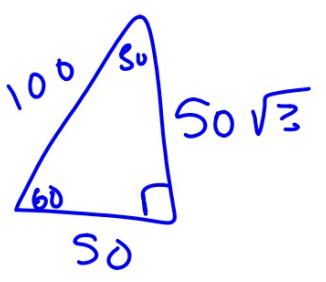
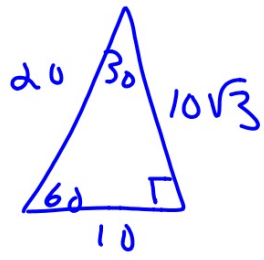
$$n = \sqrt{75}$$

$$n = 5\sqrt{3}$$

$$n \approx 8.7$$

$$25^2 \cdot 3$$

$$5 \cdot 5$$



Started out as equilateral

**StudyTip**

**Use Ratios** The lengths of the sides of a  $30^\circ$ - $60^\circ$ - $90^\circ$  triangle are in a ratio of 1 to  $\sqrt{3}$  to 2 or  $1 : \sqrt{3} : 2$ .

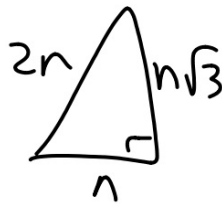
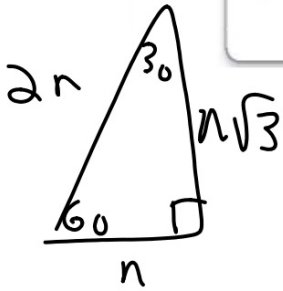
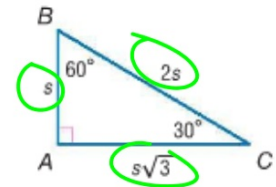
This algebraic proof verifies the following theorem.

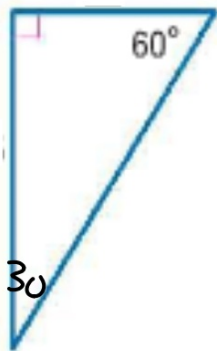
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**Theorem 8.9  $30^\circ$ - $60^\circ$ - $90^\circ$  Triangle Theorem**

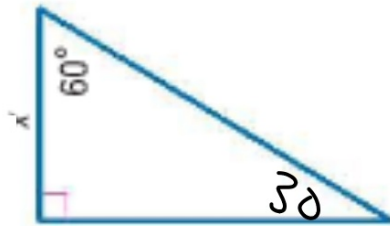
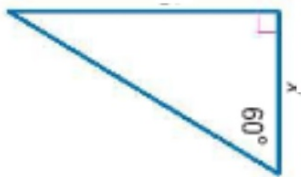
In a  $30^\circ$ - $60^\circ$ - $90^\circ$  triangle, the length of the hypotenuse  $h$  is 2 times the length of the shorter leg  $s$ , and the length of the longer leg  $\ell$  is  $\sqrt{3}$  times the length of the shorter leg.

**Symbols** In a  $30^\circ$ - $60^\circ$ - $90^\circ$  triangle,  $h = 2s$  and  $\ell = s\sqrt{3}$ .

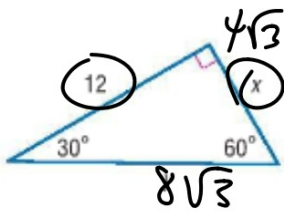




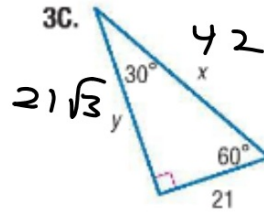
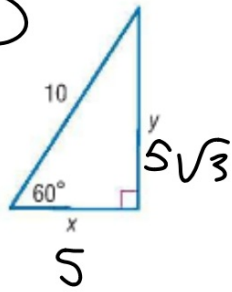
Label each angle  
Which side is largest (always)?  
Smallest?  
Medium?



Guided Drafting



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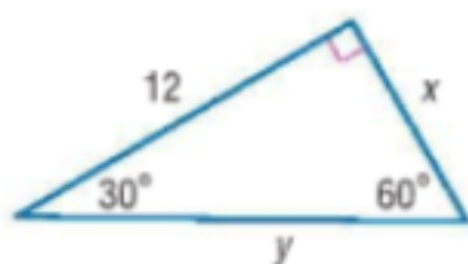


$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{3} \cdot 12 &= n \sqrt{3} \\ \sqrt{3} \frac{12}{\sqrt{3}} &= \frac{n \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} \\ \frac{12\sqrt{3}}{3} &= n \\ 4\sqrt{3} & \end{aligned}$$

9-33 odd

Find  $x$  and  $y$ .

3A.



**Example 3** Find Lengths in a  $30^\circ$ - $60^\circ$ - $90^\circ$  Triangle

Find  $x$  and  $y$ .

