

Geometry 8.5

Solve problems using angle of elevation

Solve problems using angle of depression

Use angles of elevation & depression to find distance between 2 objects

parallel lines

transversal

alternate interior angles \cong

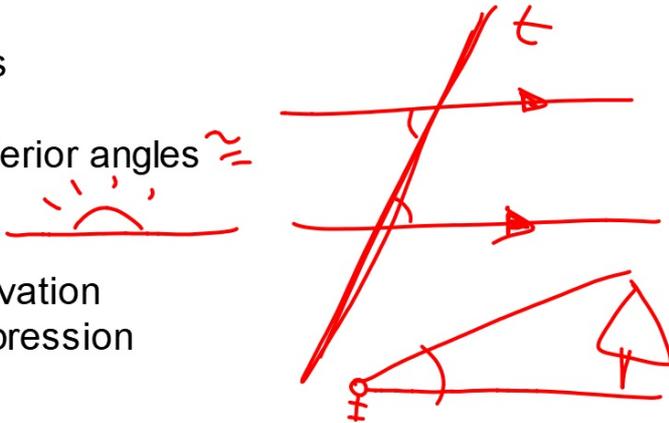
horizontal

vertical

angle of elevation

angle of depression

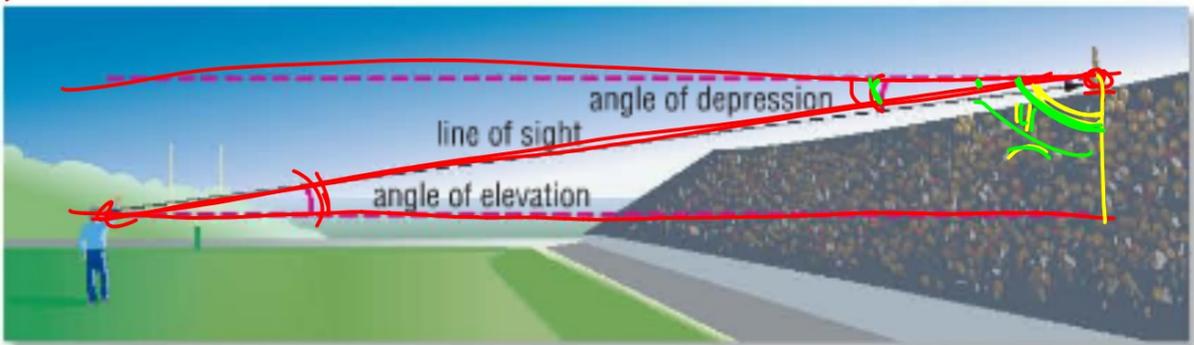
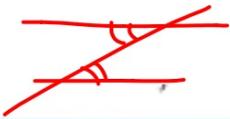
line of sight



Quiz 8.3-8.4

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Always measure from horizontal
Where are you?



Guided Practice

1. **FOOTBALL** The cross bar of a goalpost is 10 feet high. If a field goal attempt is made 25 yards from the base of the goalpost that clears the goal by 1 foot, what is the smallest angle of elevation at which the ball could have been kicked to the nearest degree?



$$\tan r = \frac{o}{a}$$

$$\tan k = \frac{11}{75}$$

$$\frac{11}{75} = \frac{75 \tan k}{75}$$

$$0.1467 = \tan k$$

$$8^\circ = k$$

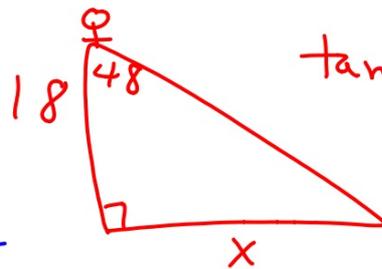
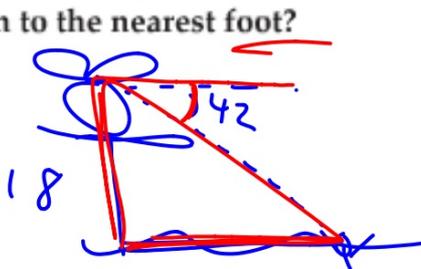


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Example 2 Angle of Depression

EMERGENCY A search and rescue team is airlifting people from the scene of a boating accident when they observe another person in need of help. If the angle of depression to this other person is 42° and the helicopter is 18 feet above the water, what is the horizontal distance from the rescuers to this person to the nearest foot?



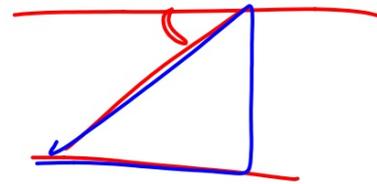
$$\tan 48 = \frac{x}{18}$$

$$x = 18(1.1106)$$
$$x = 19.99$$
$$20 \text{ ft}$$

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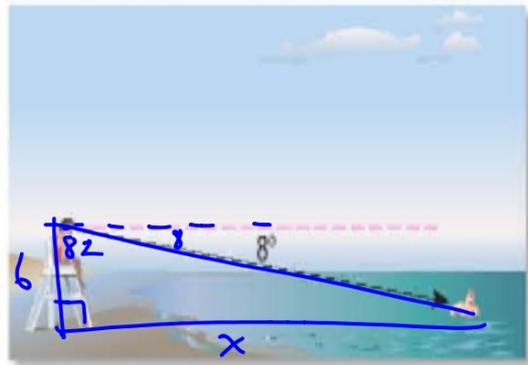
Watch Out!

Angles of Elevation and Depression To avoid mislabeling, remember that angles of elevation and depression are always formed with a **horizontal line** and never with a vertical line.



Guided Practice Solalah Toa

2. **LIFEGUARDING** A lifeguard is watching a beach from a line of sight 6 feet above the ground. She sees a swimmer at an angle of depression of 8° . How far away from the tower is the swimmer?



$$\tan 8^\circ = \frac{x}{6}$$

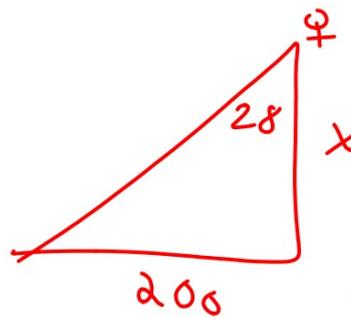
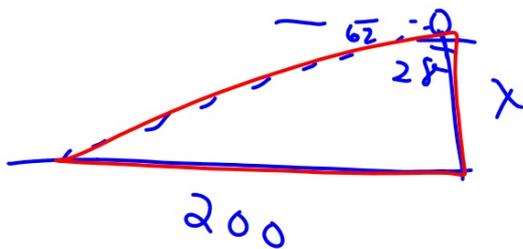
$$x = 6 (\tan 8^\circ)$$

$$42.81221832$$

$$42.7 \text{ ft}$$

$$\approx 43 \text{ ft}$$

2. **BASEBALL** A fan is seated in the upper deck of a stadium 200 feet away from home plate. If the angle of depression to the field is 62° , at what height is the fan sitting?



$$\begin{aligned}\tan 28^\circ &= \frac{200}{x} \\ 200 &= x(0.5317) \\ &\approx 376 \text{ ft}\end{aligned}$$

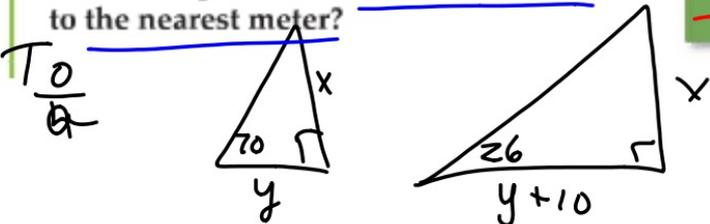
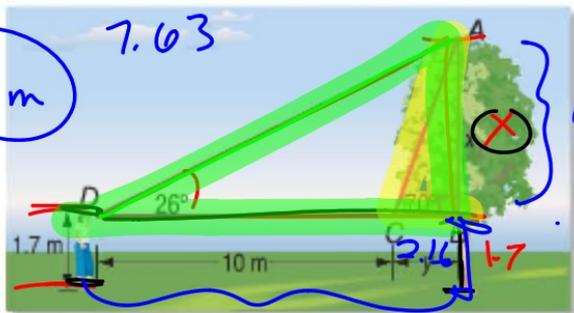
tough: better have a plan

$$(x) + 1.7$$



Example 3 Use Two Angles of Elevation or Depression 5.93 + 1.7

TREE REMOVAL To estimate the height of a tree she wants removed, Mrs. Long sights the tree's top at a 70° angle of elevation. She then steps back 10 meters and sights the top at a 26° angle. If Mrs. Long's line of sight is 1.7 meters above the ground, how tall is the tree to the nearest meter?



Eyeball height:

$$\tan 26 = \frac{x}{12.16}$$

$$x = 5.93$$

$$\tan 70 = \frac{x}{y}$$

$$x = y(2.7475)$$

$$\tan 26 = \frac{x}{y+10}$$

$$x = 0.4877(y+10)$$

$$x = 0.4877y + 4.877$$

$$2.7475y = 0.4877y + 4.877$$

$$-0.4877y \quad -0.4877y$$

$$2.2598y = 4.877$$

$$y = 2.16$$

Guided Practice

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3. **SKYSCRAPERS** Two buildings are sited from atop a 200-meter skyscraper. Building A is sited at a 35° angle of depression, while Building B is sighted at a 36° angle of depression. How far apart are the two buildings to the nearest meter?

Assume same line of sight

3. **CCSS MODELING** Annabelle and Rich are setting up decorations for their school dance. Rich is standing 5 feet directly in front of Annabelle under a disco ball. If the angle of elevation from Annabelle to the ball is 40° and Rich to the ball is 50° , how high is the disco ball?

