

# Trigonometry

$$\sin \theta = \frac{O}{H} \longrightarrow SOH$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{A}{H} \longrightarrow CAH$$

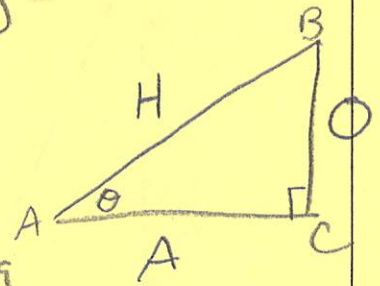
$$\tan \theta = \frac{O}{A} \longrightarrow TOA$$

$O$  = opposite leg

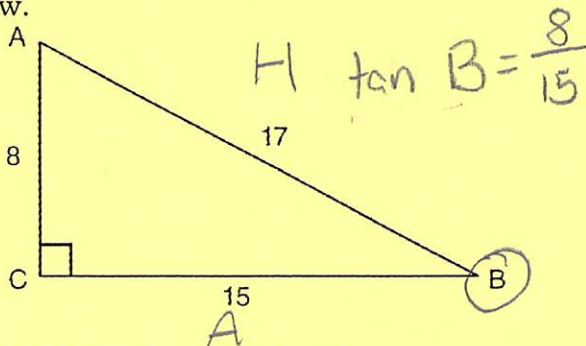
$H$  = hypotenuse

$A$  = adjacent leg

$\theta$  = "theta" angle



1. Right triangle  $ABC$  has legs of 8 and 15 and a hypotenuse of 17, as shown in the diagram below.

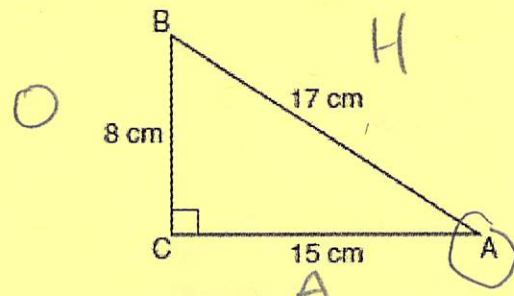


The value of the tangent of  $\angle B$  is

1) 0.4706      3) 0.8824

2) 0.5333      4) 1.8750

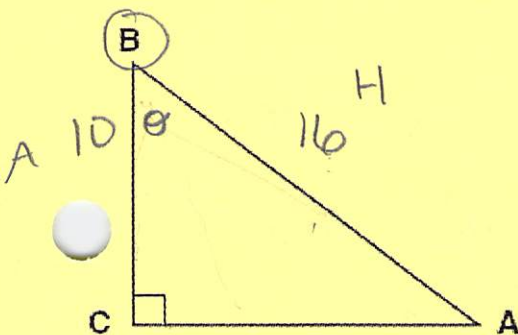
2. Which equation shows a correct trigonometric ratio for angle  $A$  in the right triangle below?



1)  $\sin A = \frac{15}{17}$       3)  $\cos A = \frac{15}{17}$

2)  $\tan A = \frac{8}{17}$       4)  $\tan A = \frac{15}{8}$

3. In the diagram of  $\triangle ABC$  shown below,  $BC = 10$  and  $AB = 16$ . Find the  $m\angle B$  to the nearest tenth of a degree.

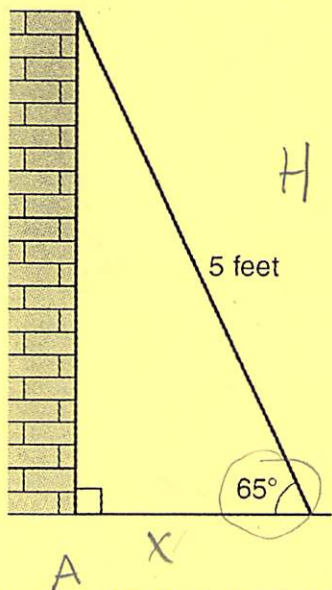


$$\cos \theta = \frac{A}{H}$$

$$\cos \theta = \frac{10}{16}$$

$$\theta = 51.3^\circ$$

4. As shown in the diagram below, a ladder 5 feet long leans against a wall and makes an angle of  $65^\circ$  with the ground. Find, to the nearest tenth of a foot, the distance from the wall to the base of the ladder.



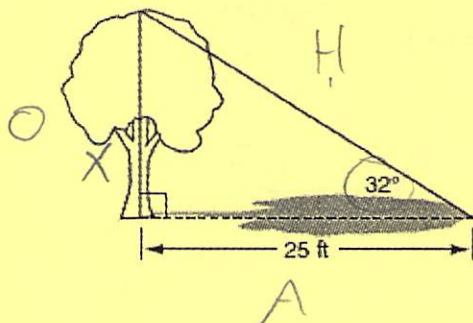
$$\cos \theta = \frac{A}{H}$$

$$\cos 65 = \frac{X}{5}$$

$$\cdot \frac{4226}{1} = \frac{X}{5}$$

$$X = 2.1 \text{ feet}$$

5. A tree casts a 25-foot shadow on a sunny day, as shown in the diagram below. If the angle of elevation from the tip of the shadow to the top of the tree is  $32^\circ$ , what is the height of the tree to the nearest tenth of a foot?



$$\begin{aligned} O &= X \\ A &= 25 \end{aligned}$$

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$$\theta = 32^\circ$$

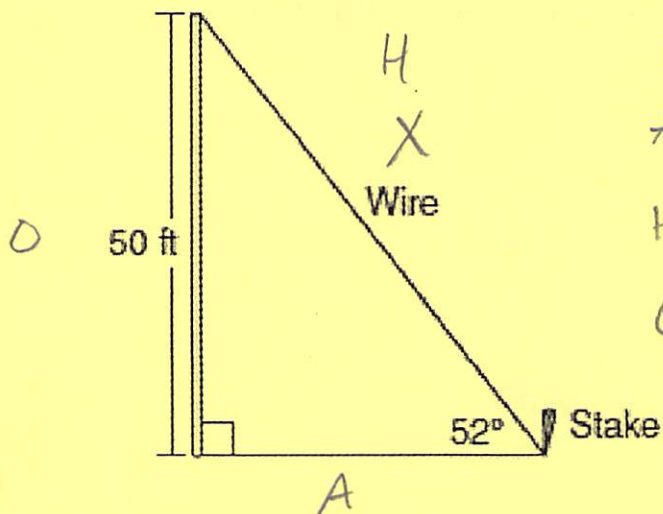
$$\tan \theta = \frac{O}{A}$$

$$\tan 32 = \frac{X}{25}$$

$$\cdot 6249 = \frac{X}{25}$$

$$X = 15.6 \text{ ft}$$

6. A stake is to be driven into the ground away from the base of a 50-foot pole, as shown in the diagram below. A wire from the stake on the ground to the top of the pole is to be installed at an angle of elevation of  $52^\circ$ . How long will the wire have to be to the nearest hundredth of a foot?



$$O = 50$$

~~A =~~

$$H = X$$

$$\theta = 52$$

$$\sin \theta = \frac{O}{H}$$

$$\sin 52 = \frac{50}{X}$$

$$\cdot \frac{7880}{1} = \frac{50}{X}$$

$$\cdot \frac{7880}{7880} X = \frac{50}{.7880}$$

$$X = 63.45 \text{ ft}$$