

Triangles, Similarity, and Congruence
MCAS Worksheet 1

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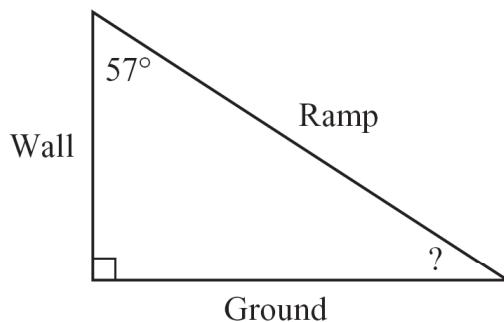
- 1** Mr. Garcia's students are drafting blueprints for a triangular courtyard. If the lengths of two sides of the triangle in the blueprint are 7 inches and 4 inches, which of the following could be the length of the third side of the triangle?

Mark your answer here: 1. (A)(B)(C)(D)

- A. 1 inch
- B. 2 inches
- C. 5 inches
- D. 12 inches

- 2** Martin uses a ramp to practice skateboarding. The ramp leans against a wall. The right triangle formed by the ramp, the wall, and the ground is represented by the diagram below.

Mark your answer here: 2. (A)(B)(C)(D)



The measure of the angle formed by the wall and the ramp is 57° . What is the measure of the angle formed by the ramp and the ground?

- A. 33°
- B. 43°
- C. 93°
- D. 123°

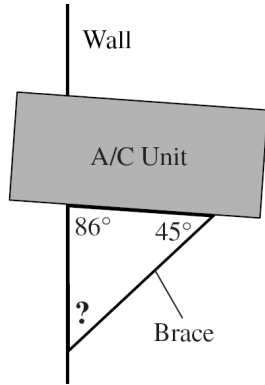


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- 3** A window air conditioning unit is supported with a brace against an outside wall, as shown.

Mark your answer here: 3. (A)(B)(C)(D)

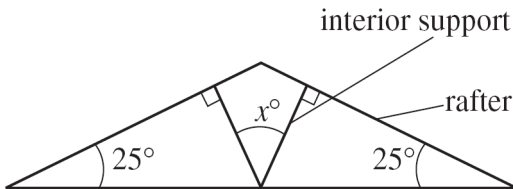


What is the measure of the angle indicated by the question mark?

- A. 41°
- B. 43°
- C. 45°
- D. 49°

- 4** Each of the two interior supports for part of a roof is perpendicular to a rafter, as shown below.

Mark your answer here: 4. (A)(B)(C)(D)



What is x , the measure, in degrees, of the angle formed by the two interior supports?

- A. 50
- B. 65
- C. 90
- D. 130



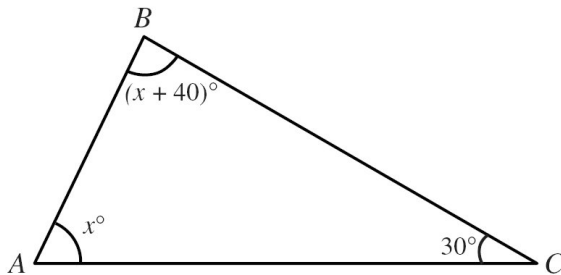
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- 5** Degree measures for the angles in $\triangle ABC$ are given below.

Mark your answer here: 5. (A)(B)(C)(D)

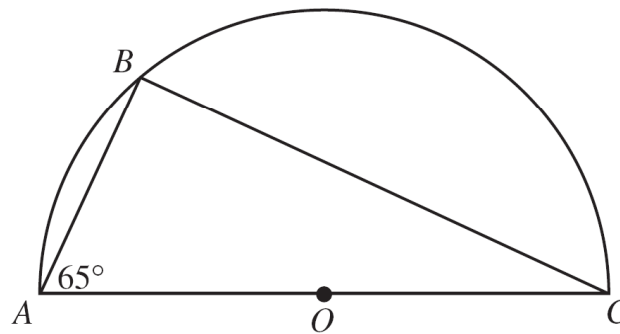
- $m\angle A = x^\circ$
- $m\angle B = (x + 40)^\circ$
- $m\angle C = 30^\circ$



What is the degree measure of $\angle A$ in $\triangle ABC$?

- 6** In the figure below:

- Triangle ABC is inscribed in semicircle O .
- $m\angle A = 65^\circ$



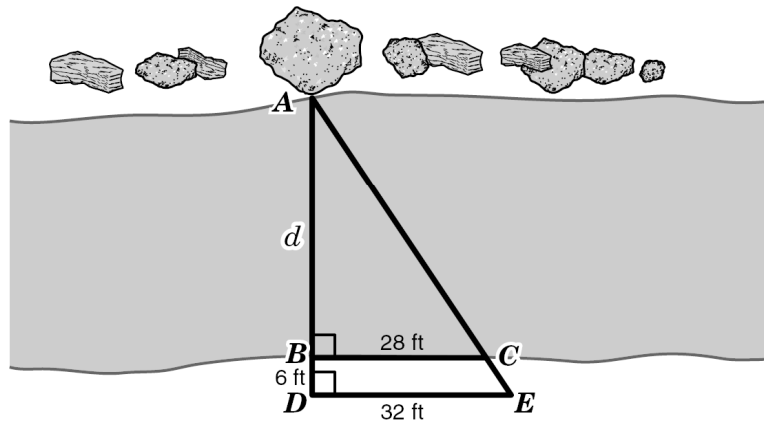
What is the measure of angle C ?

Write your answer here:



Directions: For the problem below, use a separate piece of paper to write your answers. Your teacher will not count anything you write on this page.

- 7** To measure the width of a stream indirectly, Claude placed four stakes in the ground at points $B, C, D,$ and E . He used a rock on the opposite bank to determine point A . Triangles ABC and ADE are formed, as shown in the diagram below.



Segments $\overline{BC}, \overline{BD}, \overline{DE},$ and \overline{CE} can be measured directly on land. Both \overline{BC} and \overline{DE} are perpendicular to \overline{AD} , and C is on \overline{AE} .

- Explain how you can show $\angle BCA$ is congruent to $\angle DEA$.
- Explain how you know $\triangle BCA$ is similar to $\triangle DEA$.
- Write a proportion or an equation that can be used to determine the distance (indicated by d in the diagram) across the stream.
- What is the distance across the stream? Show or explain how you obtained your answer.

