### **Trigonometry**

It is possible to calculate the angles in any right angle triangle once you have two sides, or if you have one side and one angle you can calculate the other side.

Once there are angles involved you need to use either of three rules: The **SIN**, **COS**, and the **TAN RULES** 

These are three mathematical ratios that were worked out years ago enabling you to transfer from numbers to angles (in the triangle) and also from angles to numbers.

There are three sides to any triangle and you need manipulate these in order to use the sin, cos or tan rules as shown below:



# **Remember:** • The **HYPOTENUSE** is the longest side in the triangle and is always opposite from the right-angle (*It's position never changes*)

- The **OPPOSITE** is the side that is opposite to the angle in question
- The **ADJACENT** is the side that is adjacent to or beside the angle in question

#### **Trigonometry (Continued)**

*Example 1*: In the following triangle, calculate the angle at A? A 10 *Firstly:* Which two sides do we have in relation to the angle? Answer: Adjacent and Hypotenuse Secondly: Which formula contains these two sides? Answer: Cosine Adjacent *Formula:* Cos A = Hypotenuse10  $\cos A = 18$  $\cos A = 0.5556$  $Cos^{-1} A = 56.247$  degrees (inverse of Cos) A = 56.25 degrees



*Example 2:* In the following triangle, calculate the length of the unknown side if the given angle is 34 degrees ?

Firstly: Which two sides do we have in relation to the angle? Answer: Opposite and Hypotenuse Secondly: Which formula contains these two sides? Answer: Sine Formula: Sin A = Hypotenuse 9Sin 34° = x (sin 34° = 0.5592) 9

$$0.5592 = \frac{9}{x}$$
  
x =  $0.5592$   
x = 16.0944



## **Trigonometry (Continued)**

It will be seen that for every question only one of the formulas can be used. To work out which formula to use you need to assess what you have and what you want. In all cases you will have two out of the three pieces of information required.

(Sometimes you will have to arrive at what the angle is – the three angles in a triangle add up to 180°)

If you have an angle starting out you will have to subject it to Sin, Cos, or Tan to calculate your answer.

If you are looking for an angle, your last line will consist of you using Inverse Sin, Inverse Cos, or Inverse Tan against a decimal figure to get your answer.

For cross multiplying purposes:

- If x is below the line, swap it over
- If x is above the line, just multiply it out

#### Find the Unknown Angle or Side Length (Sheet 1) Q. 1 N

































	Formulas : or	pposite	adjacent opposite		oposite	
	Sin A = hypotenuse		$\cos A = hypotenuse$ $Tan A = a$		adjacent	
Q. 1	$\frac{5}{7} Tan A = 8$ Tan A = 0.625 Tan - <sup>1</sup> A = 32.005 <b>Answer = 32°</b>	Q. 2	$ \begin{array}{r} 9\\ \text{Tan } 60^\circ = x\\ 9\\ 1.7321 = x\\ x = 9\\ 1.7321\\ \text{Answer} = 5.196 \end{array} $	Q. 3	$\frac{8}{12}$ Cos A = 12 Cos A = 0.6666 Cos <sup>-1</sup> A= 48.1896 <b>Answer = 48.19°</b>	
Q. 4	$ \frac{x}{55} = \frac{x}{15} \\ \frac{x}{15} \\ 0.8387 = 15 \\ 0.8387 x 15 = x \\ Answer = 12.58 $	Q. 5	$\frac{6}{7}$ Tan A = 9 Tan A = 0.6666 Tan- <sup>1</sup> A= 33.690 <b>Answer = 33.69</b> °	Q. 6	$Tan 65^{\circ} = 4$ $2.145 = 4$ $2.145 \times 4 = x$ <b>Answer = 8.578</b>	
Q. 7	$\frac{9}{\sin A = 13}$ Sin A = 0.6923 Sin- <sup>1</sup> A= 43.813 <b>Answer = 43.81</b> °	Q. 8	$ \begin{array}{r} \frac{X}{2} \\ \cos 32^{\circ} = 12 \\ \frac{X}{2} \\ 0.848 = 12 \\ 0.848 \times 12 = x \\ \mathbf{Answer} = 10.18 \end{array} $	Q. 9	$\frac{7}{\cos A} = 16$ Cos A = 0.4375 Cos - 1 A = 64.0555 <b>Answer = 64.06°</b>	
Q.10	$Sin 37^{\circ} = \frac{7}{x}$ $\frac{7}{2}$ $0.6018 = x$ $\frac{7}{x} = 0.6018$ Answer = 11.63	Q. 11 Ans	$\frac{4}{\text{Tan } A = 9}$ Tan A = 0.4444 Tan- <sup>1</sup> A= 23.9625 wer = 23.96°	Q.12	$\frac{12}{12}$ Tan 59° = x 1.6643 = x $\frac{12}{x}$ x = 1.66 Answer = 7.229	
Q.13	$\frac{10}{\cos A = 15}$ Cos A = 0.6666 Cos - <sup>1</sup> A = 48.1896 <b>Answer = 48.19°</b>	Q.14	$ \frac{x}{5} = 19 $ Sin 67° = 19 $ \frac{x}{0.9205} = 19 $ 0.9205 x 19 = x Answer = 17.49	Q.15	$\frac{8}{11}$ Tan A = 11 Tan A = 0.7273 Tan- <sup>1</sup> A= 36.0273 <b>Answer = 36.03°</b>	
Q. 16	Tan $27^{\circ} = x$ $6 \\ 0.5095 = x$ x = 0.5095 <b>Answer = 11.776</b>	Q.17	$\frac{12}{\sin A = 17}$ Sin A = 0.7059 Sin- <sup>1</sup> A= 44.901 <b>Answer = 44.9°</b>	Q.18	$ \begin{array}{l} \frac{x}{2} \\ \cos 35^\circ = 15 \\ \frac{x}{15} \\ 0.8192 = 15 \\ 0.8192 \times 15 = x \\ \text{Answer} = 12.29 \end{array} $	
Q. 19	$\frac{3}{\cos A = 7}$ Cos A = 0.4286 Cos - <sup>1</sup> A= 64.623 <b>Answer = 64.62°</b>	Q.20	Sin 29° = $\frac{7}{x}$ 0.4848 = $\frac{7}{x}$ x = 0.4848 Answer = 14.44			





	Formulas :	opposite	adjacent	Oţ	oposite	
	Sin A =	= hypotenuse	$\cos A = hypotenuse$	Tan A = $\overline{a}$	ljacent	
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0.21	3	Q. 22	Х	Q. 23	13	
<b>X</b> , ==	$\sin A = 12$	-	Tan 57° = $\overline{9}$	c	Tan A = $\overline{7}$	
	$\sin A = 0.25$		<u>X</u>		Tan $A = 1.85$	57
	Sin- <sup>1</sup> A= 14.478		$1.540 = \overline{9}$		Tan - 1 A = 6	1.7
	Answer = 14.48°		$1.540 \ge 9 = x$		Answer = 61	.7°
			Answer = 13.86			
	<u>17</u>					
Q. 24	$\cos 23^\circ = x$	Q. 25	<u>13</u>	Q. 26	<u>X</u>	
	<u>17</u>		$\cos A = 16$		$\cos 63^\circ = 8$	
	0.9205 = x		$\cos A = 0.8125$		<u>X</u>	
	<u>17</u>		Cos - A = 35.659		0.454 = 8	
	x = 0.9205		Answer = 35.66°		$0.454 \ge 8 =$	Х
	Answer = 18.468				Answer = 3.	632
			<u>X</u>		2	
Q. 27	<u>18</u>	Q. 28	$\sin 30^\circ = 15$	Q. 29	<u>3</u>	
	$\sin A = 23$		$\frac{X}{1.7}$		Tan $A = 6$	
	$\sin A = 0.7826$		0.5 = 15		Tan $A = 0.5$	
	Sin - A = 51.5		$0.5 \times 15 = x$		1an - A = 20	5.363
	Answer = $51.5^{\circ}$		Answer = $7.5$		Answer $= 26$	<b>.</b> 57°
0.20	11	0.31	5	0.32	v	
Q.30	<u>11</u>	Q. 51	$\frac{5}{13}$	Q.32	Tap $60^\circ - 7$	
	$1 \text{ an } 65^\circ = x$		$\sin A = 0.3846$		1  and  00 = 7	
	$\frac{11}{21445 - x}$		$\sin - 1 A = 22.62$		$1.732 - \frac{\Lambda}{7}$	
	2.1443 - X	Ans	$swer = 22.62^{\circ}$		x = 1.732 = 7	$2 \times 7$
	$x = \frac{11}{21445}$	1 445			Answer = $12$	2.124
	Answer = 5 129					
			12			
0.33	14	<b>Q.34</b>	$\cos 27^\circ = x$	Q.35	8	
	Tan A = $\overline{9}$	-	12	_	$\cos A = \overline{15}$	
	Tan $A = 1.556$		0.891 = x		$\cos A = 0.53$	33
	$Tan - ^{1}A = 57.265$		<u>12</u>		$\cos^{-1} A = 5$	7.77
	Answer = 57.27°		x = 0.891		Answer $= 57$	<b>.77</b> °
			Answer = 13.468			
	<u>X</u>				<u>X</u>	<u>-</u>
Q. 36	Cos 52° = 16	Q.37	<u>12</u>	Q.38	$\sin 22^\circ = 13$	3
	<u>X</u>		$\sin A = 20$		<u>X</u>	
	0.6157 = 16		$\sin A = 0.6$		0.3746 = 13	
	$x = 0.6157 \times 16$		Sin- ' A= 36.87		0.3746 x 13	= x
	<b>Answer</b> = <b>9.85</b>		<b>Answer</b> = <b>36.87°</b>		$\mathbf{Answer} = 4.3$	87
			10			
0.20	-	O 40	$\frac{12}{12}$			
Q. 39	$\frac{1}{14}$	Q.40	1  an  / 0 = x			
	$1 \text{ an } A = 14$ $T_{\text{op}} A = 0.5$		$2747 - \frac{12}{x}$			
	$T_{an} = 1 = 0.3$		$2.7 + 7 - \Lambda$ 17			
	A = A = 20.303		$x = \frac{12}{2747}$			
	$Answer = 20.37^{\circ}$		A = 2.747 Answer = 4.368			