

## **NCERT Solutions for Class 10 Maths Chapter 9 - Some Applications of Trigonometry**

Solution 1

In the figure, AB is the pole.

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

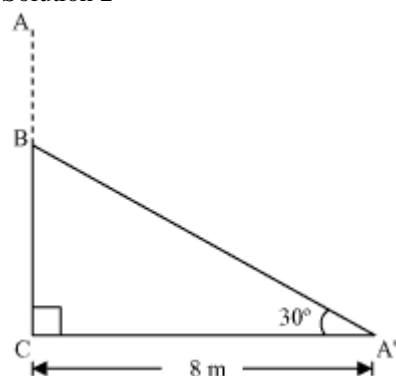
$$\frac{AB}{AC} = \sin 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{AB}{20} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$AB = 10$$

Thus, the height of the pole is 10 m.

Solution 2



Let  $AC$  be the original tree and  $A'B$  be the broken part which makes an angle of  $30^\circ$  with the ground.

In  $\triangle A'BC$ ,

$$\frac{BC}{A'C} = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{BC}{8} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$BC = \frac{8}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{A'C}{A'B} = \cos 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{8}{A'B} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

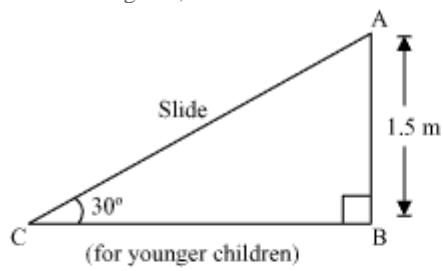
$$A'B = \frac{16}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{Height of tree} = A'B + BC = \frac{16}{\sqrt{3}} + \frac{8}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{24}{\sqrt{3}} = 8\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

Hence, the height of tree was  $8\sqrt{3}$  m.

### Solution 3

In the two figures, AC and PR are the slides for younger and elder children respectively

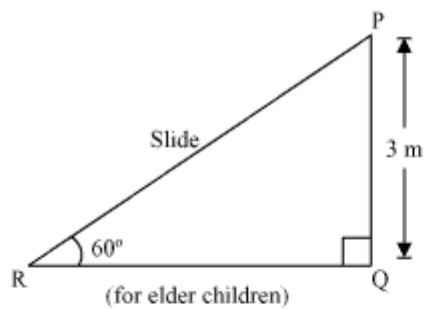


In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{AC} = \sin 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{1.5}{AC} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$AC = 3 \text{ m}$$



In  $\triangle PQR$ ,

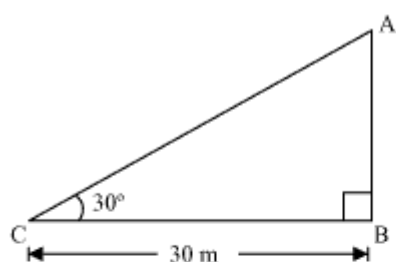
$$\frac{PQ}{PR} = \sin 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{3}{PR} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$PR = \frac{6}{\sqrt{3}} = 2\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

Thus, the lengths of the two slides were 3 m and  $2\sqrt{3}$  m .

### Solution 4



Let AB be the tower.

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

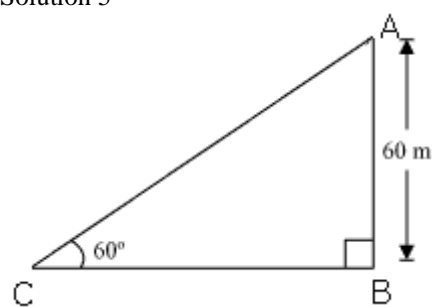
$$\frac{AB}{BC} = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{AB}{30} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$AB = \frac{30}{\sqrt{3}} = 10\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

Thus, the height of tower is  $10\sqrt{3}$  m .

Solution 5



Let A be the position of the kite and the string is tied to point C on ground.

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

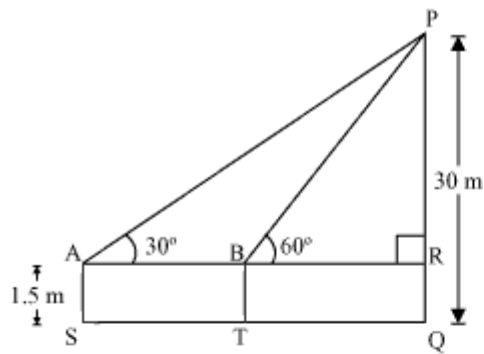
$$\frac{AB}{AC} = \sin 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{60}{AC} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$AC = \frac{120}{\sqrt{3}} = 40\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

Thus, the length of the string is  $40\sqrt{3}$  m .

Solution 6



Let the initial position of the boy be S. He walks towards building and reached at point T.

In the figure, PQ is the building of height 30 m.

$$AS = BT = RQ = 1.5 \text{ m}$$

$$PR = PQ - RQ = 30 \text{ m} - 1.5 \text{ m} = 28.5$$

In  $\triangle PAR$ ,

$$\frac{PR}{AR} = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{28.5}{AR} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$AR = 28.5\sqrt{3}$$

In  $\triangle PRB$ ,

$$\frac{PR}{BR} = \tan 60^\circ$$

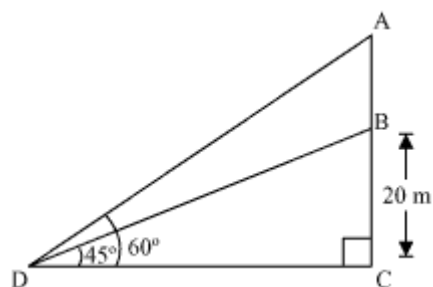
$$\frac{28.5}{BR} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$BR = \frac{28.5}{\sqrt{3}} = 9.5\sqrt{3}$$

$$ST = AB = AR - BR = 28.5\sqrt{3} - 9.5\sqrt{3} = 19\sqrt{3}$$

Thus, the distance which the boy walked towards the building is  $19\sqrt{3}$  m.

**Solution 7**



Let BC be the building, AB be the transmission tower, and D be the point on ground from where elevation angles are to be measured.

In  $\triangle BCD$ ,

$$\frac{BC}{CD} = \tan 45^\circ$$

$$\frac{20}{CD} = 1$$

$$CD = 20 \text{ m} \quad \dots (i)$$

In  $\triangle ACD$ ,

$$\frac{AC}{CD} = \tan 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{AB + BC}{CD} = \sqrt{3}$$

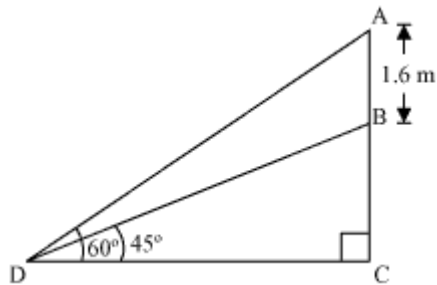
$$\frac{AB + 20}{20} = \sqrt{3} \quad [\text{From (i)}]$$

$$AB = 20\sqrt{3} - 20$$

$$= 20(\sqrt{3} - 1)$$

Thus, the height of the tower is  $20(\sqrt{3} - 1) \text{ m}$ .

Solution 8



Let AB be the statue, BC be the pedestal and D be the point on ground from where elevation angles are to be measured.

In  $\triangle BCD$ ,

$$\frac{BC}{CD} = \tan 45^\circ$$

$$\frac{BC}{CD} = 1$$

$$BC = CD \quad \dots (i)$$

In  $\triangle ACD$ ,

$$\frac{AB + BC}{CD} = \tan 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{AB + BC}{BC} = \sqrt{3} \quad [\text{From (i)}]$$

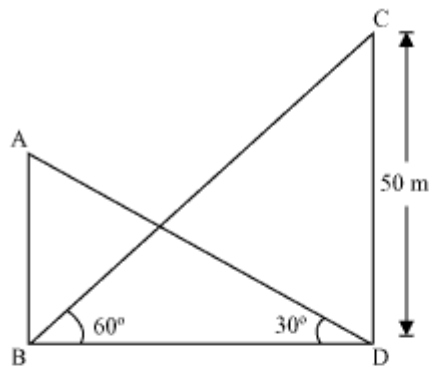
$$1.6 + BC = BC\sqrt{3}$$

$$BC(\sqrt{3} - 1) = 1.6$$

$$\begin{aligned} BC &= \frac{(1.6)(\sqrt{3} + 1)}{(\sqrt{3} - 1)(\sqrt{3} + 1)} \\ &= \frac{1.6(\sqrt{3} + 1)}{2} = 0.8(\sqrt{3} + 1) \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the height of pedestal is  $0.8(\sqrt{3} + 1)$  m.

Solution 9



Let AB be the building and CD be the tower.

In  $\triangle CDB$ ,

$$\frac{CD}{BD} = \tan 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{50}{BD} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$BD = \frac{50}{\sqrt{3}}$$

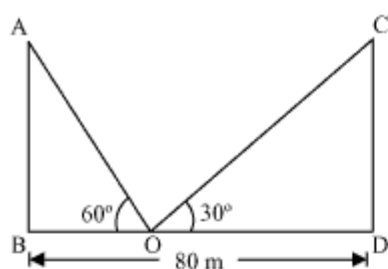
In  $\triangle ABD$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{BD} = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$AB = \frac{50}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{50}{3} = 16\frac{2}{3}$$

Thus, the height of the building is  $16\frac{2}{3}$  m.

Solution 10



Let AB and CD be the poles and O is the point on the road.

In  $\triangle ABO$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{BO} = \tan 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{AB}{BO} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$BO = \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \dots (i)$$

In  $\triangle CDO$ ,

$$\frac{CD}{DO} = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{CD}{80 - BO} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$CD\sqrt{3} = 80 - BO$$

$$CD\sqrt{3} = 80 - \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} \quad [\text{From (i)}]$$

$$CD\sqrt{3} + \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} = 80$$

$$CD \left[ \sqrt{3} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right] = 80 \quad (\text{Since, } AB = CD)$$

$$CD \left( \frac{3+1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) = 80$$

$$CD = 20\sqrt{3}$$

$$BO = \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{CD}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{20\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = 20 \text{ m}$$

$$DO = BD - BO = 80 \text{ m} - 20 \text{ m} = 60 \text{ m}$$

Thus, the height of the poles is  $20\sqrt{3}$  m and the point between the poles is 20 m and 60 m far from these poles.



In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{BC} = \tan 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{AB}{BC} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$BC = \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \dots (i)$$

In  $\triangle ABD$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{BD} = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{AB}{BC + CD} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\frac{AB}{\frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} + 20} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \quad [\text{From (i)}]$$

$$\frac{AB\sqrt{3}}{AB + 20\sqrt{3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$3AB = AB + 20\sqrt{3}$$

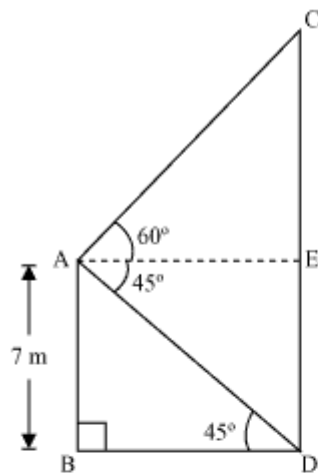
$$2AB = 20\sqrt{3}$$

$$AB = 10\sqrt{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow BC = \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{10\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}} = 10$$

Thus, the height of the tower is  $10\sqrt{3}$  m and width of canal is 10 m.

Solution 12



Let AB be a building and CD be a cable tower.

In  $\triangle ABD$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{BD} = \tan 45^\circ$$

$$\frac{7 \text{ m}}{BD} = 1$$

$$BD = 7 \text{ m}$$

In  $\triangle ACE$ ,

$$AE = BD = 7$$

$$\frac{CE}{AE} = \tan 60^\circ$$

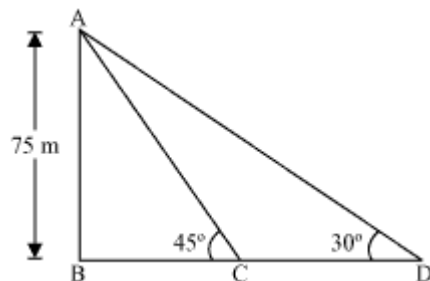
$$\frac{CE}{7 \text{ m}} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$CE = 7\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

$$CD = CE + ED = (7\sqrt{3} + 7) \text{ m} = 7(\sqrt{3} + 1) \text{ m}$$

Thus, the height of the cable tower is  $7(\sqrt{3} + 1) \text{ m}$ .

Solution 13



Let AB be the lighthouse and the two ships be at point C and D respectively.

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{BC} = \tan 45^\circ$$

$$\frac{75 \text{ m}}{BC} = 1$$

$$BC = 75 \text{ m}$$

In  $\triangle ABD$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{BD} = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{75 \text{ m}}{BC + CD} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

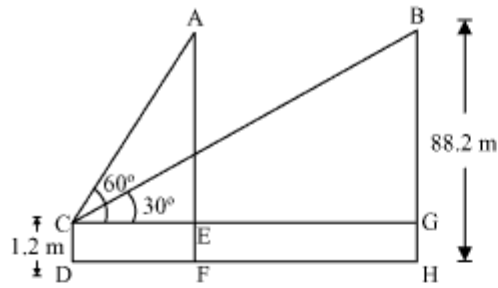
$$\frac{75 \text{ m}}{75 \text{ m} + CD} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$75\sqrt{3} \text{ m} = 75 \text{ m} + CD$$

$$CD = 75(\sqrt{3} - 1) \text{ m}$$

∴ Thus, the distance between the two ships is  $75(\sqrt{3} - 1) \text{ m}$ .

**Solution 14**



Let A be the initial position of the balloon and the position changes to B after some time and CD is the girl.

In  $\triangle ACE$ ,

$$\frac{AE}{CE} = \tan 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{AF - EF}{CE} = \tan 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{88.2 - 1.2}{CE} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$\frac{87}{CE} = \sqrt{3}$$

In  $\triangle BCG$ ,

$$\frac{BG}{CG} = \tan 30^\circ$$

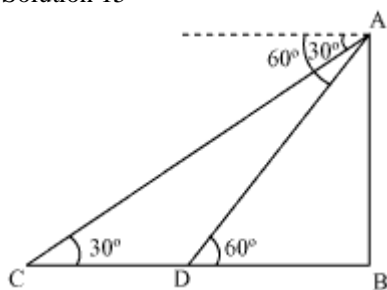
$$\frac{88.2 - 1.2}{CG} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$87\sqrt{3} = CG$$

$$\text{Distance travelled by balloon} = EG = CG - CE$$

$$= 87\sqrt{3} - 29\sqrt{3} = 58\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$

Solution 15



Let AB be the tower. C is the original position of the car which changes to D after six seconds.

In  $\triangle ADB$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{DB} = \tan 60^\circ$$

$$\frac{AB}{DB} = \sqrt{3}$$

$$DB = \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} \quad \dots (i)$$

In  $\triangle ABC$ ,

$$\frac{AB}{BC} = \tan 30^\circ$$

$$\frac{AB}{BD + DC} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$AB\sqrt{3} = BD + DC$$

$$AB\sqrt{3} = \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} + DC \quad [\text{From (i)}]$$

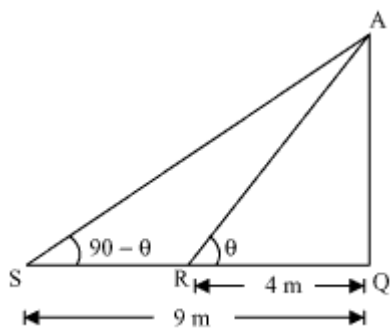
$$DC = AB\sqrt{3} - \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} = AB \left( \sqrt{3} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \right) = \frac{2AB}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{Time taken by car to travel distance DC} \left( = \frac{2AB}{\sqrt{3}} \right) = 6 \text{ seconds}$$

$$\text{Time taken by car to travel distance DB} \left( = \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} \right) = \frac{6}{\frac{2AB}{\sqrt{3}}} \times \frac{AB}{\sqrt{3}} = 3$$

seconds

Solution 16



Let AQ be the tower and R, S respectively be the points which are 4m, 9m away from base of tower.

Let  $\angle ARQ = \theta$ , then  $\angle ASQ = 90^\circ - \theta$

(Since, the angles are complementary)

In  $\triangle AQR$ ,

$$\frac{AQ}{QR} = \tan \theta$$

$$\frac{AQ}{4} = \tan \theta \quad \dots(i)$$

In  $\triangle AQS$ ,

$$\frac{AQ}{SQ} = \tan(90^\circ - \theta)$$

$$\frac{AQ}{9} = \cot \theta \quad \dots(ii)$$

Multiplying equations (i) and (ii),

$$\left(\frac{AQ}{4}\right)\left(\frac{AQ}{9}\right) = (\tan \theta) \cdot (\cot \theta)$$

$$\frac{AQ^2}{36} = 1$$

$$AQ^2 = 36$$

$$AQ = \sqrt{36} = \pm 6$$

As the height can not be negative, the height of the tower is 6 m.