

8.7 Classwork: Distance formula and Pythagorean theorem

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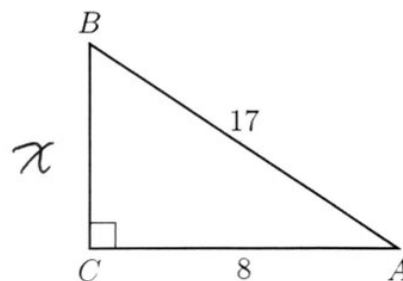
1. In the diagram below of right triangle ABC , $AC = 8$, and $AB = 17$. Find the length BC using the Pythagorean theorem.

$$8^2 + x^2 = 17^2$$

$$64 + x^2 = 289$$

$$x^2 = 289 - 64 = 225$$

$$x = 15$$



2. What is the distance between the points $(3, 4)$ and $(6, 8)$?

$$\begin{aligned} d &= \sqrt{(6-3)^2 + (8-4)^2} \\ &= \sqrt{3^2 + 4^2} \\ &= \sqrt{9+16} = \sqrt{25} = 5 \end{aligned}$$

3. Show that quadrilateral $ABCD$ is a rhombus by calculating the lengths of its sides.

$A(0, 3)$, $B(2, 6)$, $C(4, 3)$, $D(2, 0)$

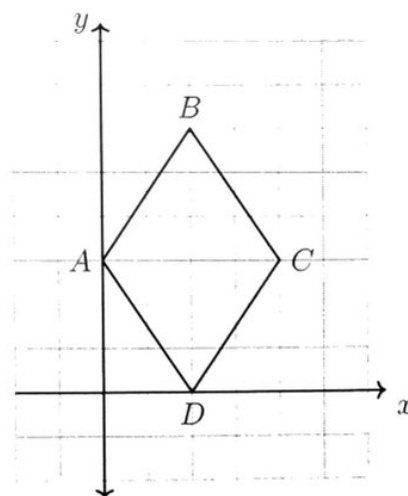
$$AB = \sqrt{(2-0)^2 + (6-3)^2} = \sqrt{4+9} = \sqrt{13}$$

$$BC = \sqrt{(4-2)^2 + (3-6)^2} = \sqrt{4+9} = \sqrt{13}$$

$$CD = \sqrt{(4-2)^2 + (3-0)^2} = \sqrt{4+9} = \sqrt{13}$$

$$AD = \sqrt{(2-0)^2 + (0-3)^2} = \sqrt{4+9} = \sqrt{13}$$

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\Rightarrow $ABCD$ is rhombus since all four sides are congruent

4. Rhombus $STAR$ has vertices $S(-1, 2)$, $T(2, 3)$, $A(3, 0)$, and $R(0, -1)$. What is the perimeter of rhombus $STAR$?

$$ST = \sqrt{(2 - (-1))^2 + (3 - 2)^2} = \sqrt{3^2 + 1^2} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$TA = \sqrt{(3 - 2)^2 + (0 - 3)^2} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$AR = \sqrt{(3 - 0)^2 + (0 - (-1))^2} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$SR = \sqrt{(0 - (-1))^2 + (2 - (-1))^2} = \sqrt{10}$$

$$P = 4\sqrt{10}$$

5. The hypotenuse of right triangle ABC is the radius of a circle centered at the origin, as shown. Use the lengths of the legs of the triangle and the Pythagorean formula to calculate the radius of the circle.

$$3^2 + 4^2 = r^2$$

$$9 + 16 = r^2$$

$$25 = r^2$$

$$r = \sqrt{25} = 5$$

