

M	T	W	T	F	S	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

- Theorem (5) is associated with the practical feat of measuring the distance of ships at sea.
- This, however, like the calculation of the height of the pyramids by measuring their shadows with which he was also credited, could have been accomplished by an empirical rule without any understanding of the geometrical propositions involved, as Burnet pointed out in his Early Greek Philosophy.
- It must always be remembered that, even if we had unimpeachable statements in ancient authorities that Thales 'proved' this or that theorem, the word 'proof' has a meaning only in relation to its historical context.
- Of Thales' theorem (3) above, Eudemus actually says that it was discovered by Thales, but that the scientific proof was given by Euclid.

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