### Do you know HOW?

Use the triangle at the right. Find the missing side length. If necessary, round to the nearest tenth.

1. a = 20, b = 25

2. a = 0.8, b = 1.5

3. a = 5, b = 12

4. a = 2.2, b = 12

5. u = 14, c = 50

6. a = 9, c = 41

7. b = 40, c = 41

8. b = 36, c = 39

Determine whether the given lengths can be side lengths of a right triangle.

9. 8, 15, 17

10. 5, 24, 25

11. 60, 80, 100

Simplify each radical expression.

12.  $\sqrt{80}$ 

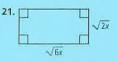
13.  $\sqrt{10} \cdot \sqrt{18}$ 

14.  $\sqrt{6x} \cdot \sqrt{2x}$ 

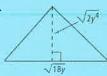
15.  $-2\sqrt{3b^2} \cdot \sqrt{12b}$ 

20. Sports A rectangular soccer field is 6w yards wide and 10w yards long. What is an expression for the distance from one corner to the opposite corner?

Find the area of each figure.



22.



Simplify each radical expression.

**23.**  $5\sqrt{5} + 3\sqrt{5}$ 

**24.**  $2\sqrt{28} - 3\sqrt{7}$ 

**25.**  $\sqrt{3}(\sqrt{6}-4)$ 

**26.**  $(2\sqrt{21} + 4\sqrt{3})(5\sqrt{21} - \sqrt{3})$ 

Find the exact solution for each equation. Find the approximate solution to the nearest tenth.

**29.** 
$$\frac{5}{\sqrt{8}-2} = \frac{\sqrt{8}+2}{x}$$

$$30. \ \frac{x}{\sqrt{10}} = \frac{3\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2}+1}$$

31. Transportation A bus leaves the bus station and drives 3.75 mi east. The bus then turns and drives 5 mi south. How far is the bus from the bus station?

## Do you UNDERSTAND?

- 32. What type of angle is formed by the two legs of a right triangle?
- 33. Writing How do you use a conjugate to simplify a fraction with a radical expression in its denominator?
- **© 34. Reasoning** Is the equation  $\sqrt{a} + \sqrt{b} = \sqrt{a+b}$ always, sometimes, or never true? Justify your answer.
- @ 35. Error Analysis Describe and correct the error shown below in simplifying the radical expression.



36. Open-Ended Give the side lengths of a triangle that is not a right triangle. Explain why these lengths cannot be the side lengths of a right triangle.

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# Answers

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1. 32.0

2. 1.7

**3.** 13

4. 12.2

**5.** 48

6. 40

7.9

8. 15

**9.** yes

10. no

**11.** yes

**12.**  $4\sqrt{5}$ 

**13.**  $6\sqrt{5}$ 

**15.**  $-12b\sqrt{b}$ 

**14.**  $2x\sqrt{3}$ 

16. 8 a

17.  $-\frac{1}{3c}$ 

**18.**  $x\sqrt{6}$ 

19.  $\frac{\sqrt{65}f}{5}$ 

**20.**  $2w\sqrt{34}$ 

**21.**  $2x\sqrt{3}$ 

**22.**  $3v^2\sqrt{v}$ 

**23.**  $8\sqrt{5}$ 

**24.**  $\sqrt{7}$ 

**25.**  $3\sqrt{2} - 4\sqrt{3}$ 

**26.**  $198 + 54\sqrt{7}$ 

**27.**  $-\sqrt{3}-2$ 

**28.**  $\frac{5\sqrt{2}+1}{14}$ 

**29.**  $\frac{4}{5}$ ; 0.8

**30.**  $6\sqrt{10} - 6\sqrt{5}$ ; 5.6

31. 6.25 mi

32. right angle

- **33.** To simplify a fraction with a radical expression in its denominator, you 🦂 multiply the numerator and the denominator by the conjugate of the denominator. The product of the conjugates in the denominator is a difference of squares, so the radicals are removed from the denominator.
- 34. Sometimes; explanations may vary. Sample:

$$\sqrt{1} + \sqrt{0} = \sqrt{1}$$
, but  $\sqrt{1} + \sqrt{4} \neq \sqrt{5}$ .

**35.** 
$$\sqrt{9 \cdot 5} \neq 9\sqrt{5}$$
;  $\sqrt{9 \cdot 5} = \sqrt{9} \cdot \sqrt{5} = 3\sqrt{5}$ 

36. Answers may vary. Sample: 3, 4, 6; the side lengths do not satisfy  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ 

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