

# M8 - 3.2 - Solving Square Roots Prime Factorization Notes

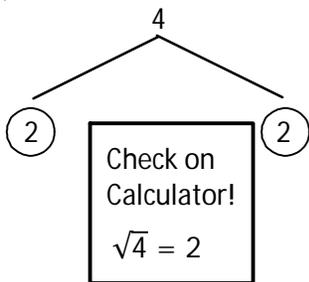
Perfect Square: A number that is the product of the same two factors.  $9 = 3 \times 3 = 3^2$

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$\sqrt{9} = 3$       $3^2 = 3 \times 3 = 9$

$\sqrt{4} = ?$



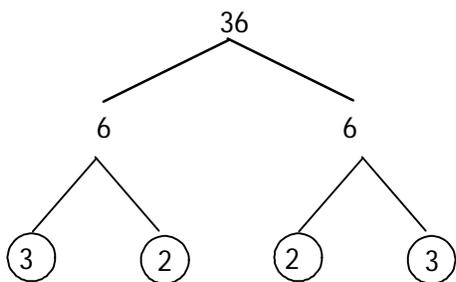
4 is a perfect square because it is a product of the same two factors: 2 and 2.

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{4} &= \sqrt{2 \times 2} \\ \sqrt{4} &= \sqrt{2 \times 2} \\ &= 2 \end{aligned}$$

Two identical numbers under a square root: one comes out. Nothing is left.

**OR** Think about two identical numbers that multiply together to make that number

$\sqrt{36} = ?$



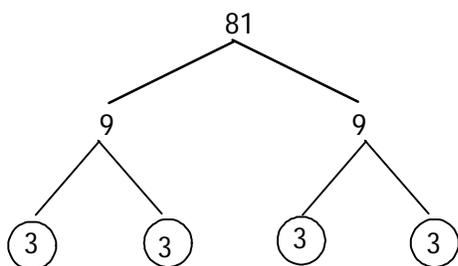
36 is a perfect square because it is a product of even pairs of numbers: 3 and 2, and 3 and 2.

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{36} &= \sqrt{2 \times 2 \times 3 \times 3} \\ \sqrt{36} &= \sqrt{(2 \times 2) \times (3 \times 3)} \\ \sqrt{36} &= 2 \times 3 \\ \sqrt{36} &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

Two identical pairs of numbers under a square root: one of each comes out. Nothing is left.

Check on Calculator!  
 $\sqrt{36} = 6$

$\sqrt{81} = ?$

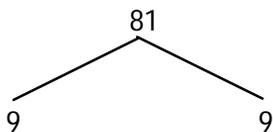


81 is a perfect square because it is a product of even pairs of numbers: 3 and 3, and 3 and 3.

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{81} &= \sqrt{3 \times 3 \times 3 \times 3} \\ \sqrt{81} &= \sqrt{(3 \times 3) \times (3 \times 3)} \\ \sqrt{81} &= 3 \times 3 \\ \sqrt{81} &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

Two identical pairs of numbers under a square root: one of each comes out. Nothing is left.

**OR**



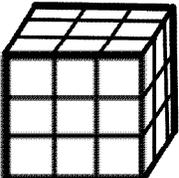
$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{81} &= \sqrt{9 \times 9} \\ &= 9 \end{aligned}$$

Check on Calculator!  
 $\sqrt{81} = 9$

Notice: when solving square roots using prime factorization either circle a pair of two identical numbers or multiple pairs of identical numbers.

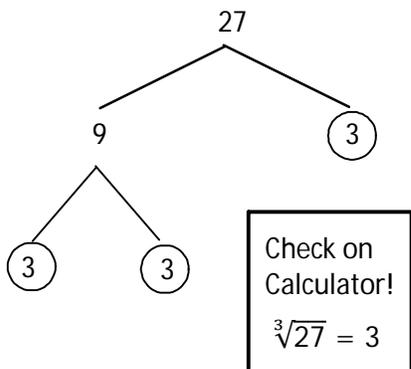
# M8 - 3.2 - Solving Cube Roots Prime Factorization Notes

Perfect Cube: a number that is a product of the same three factors.  $8 = 2 \times 2 \times 2 = 2^3$



$$\sqrt[3]{27} = 3 \quad 3 \times 3 \times 3 = 3^3 = 27$$

$\sqrt[3]{27} = ?$



Check on Calculator!  
 $\sqrt[3]{27} = 3$

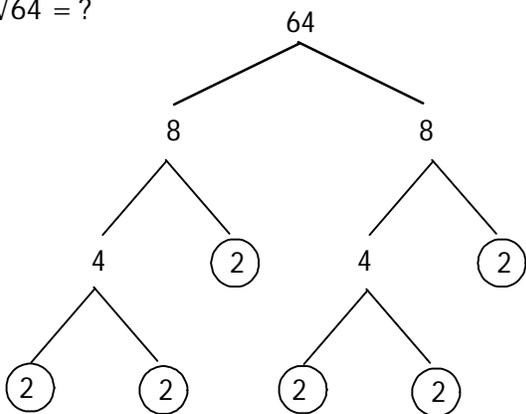
27 is a perfect cube because it is the product of three identical factors:

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt[3]{27} &= \sqrt[3]{3 \times 3 \times 3} \\ \sqrt[3]{27} &= \sqrt[3]{3 \times 3 \times 3} \\ &= 3 \end{aligned}$$

Three identical numbers under a cube root: one comes out. Nothing is left.

**OR** Think about three identical numbers that multiply together to make that number

$\sqrt[3]{64} = ?$

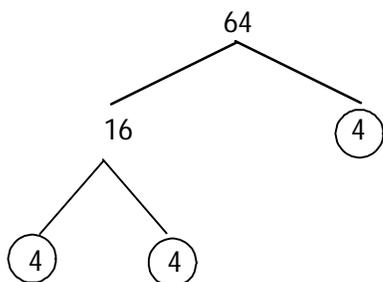


$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt[3]{64} &= \sqrt[3]{2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2} \\ \sqrt[3]{64} &= \sqrt[3]{2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2 \times 2} \\ &= 2 \times 2 \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Three identical numbers under a square root: one of each comes out. Nothing is left.

Check on Calculator!  
 $\sqrt[3]{64} = 4$

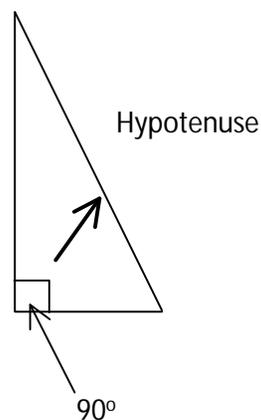
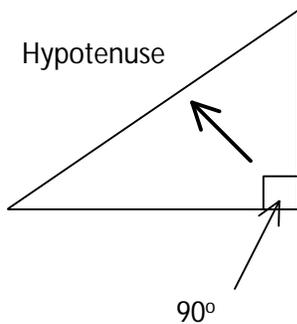
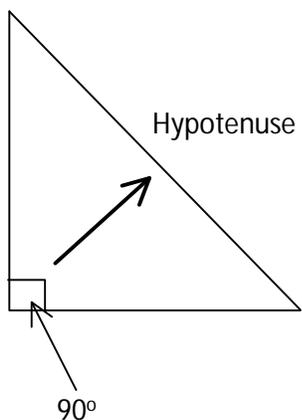
**OR**



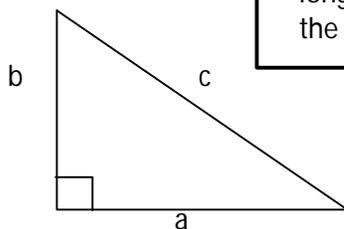
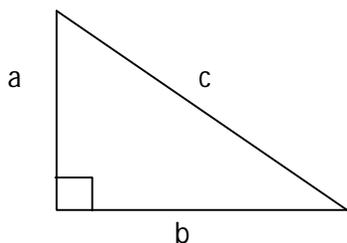
$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt[3]{64} &= \sqrt[3]{4 \times 4 \times 4} \\ &= 4 \end{aligned}$$

Notice: when solving cube roots using prime factorization either circle a triplet of three identical numbers or multiple triplets of identical numbers.

# M8 - 3.3 - Identifying "a, b, c" Notes

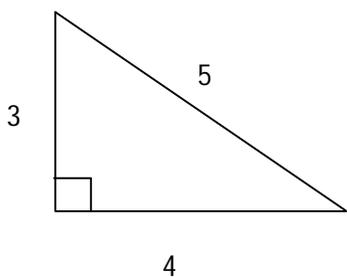


## Identifying a, b, and c.

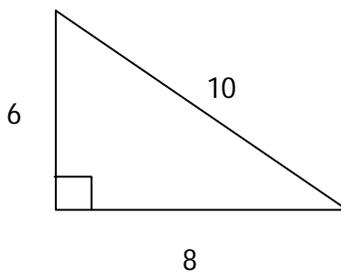


"a" and "b" can switch.  
 "c" is always the hypotenuse, the longest side, the side opposite of the  $90^\circ$  angle.

## Identifying a, b, and c.



$a = 3$   
 $b = 4$   
 $c = 5$

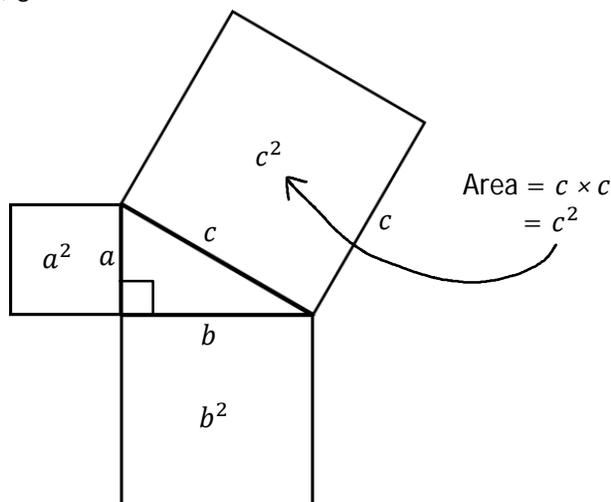
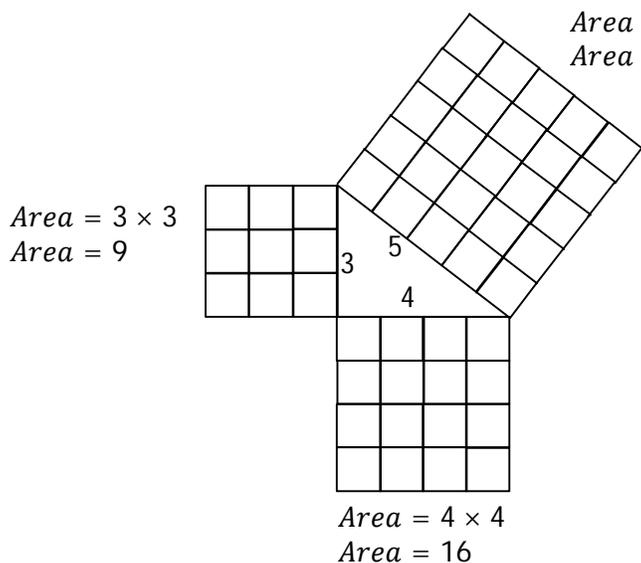


$a = 8$   
 $b = 6$   
 $c = 10$

# M8 - 3.3 - Pythagoras' Theorem Notes

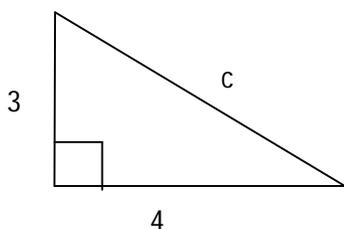
**Pythagoras' Theorem:  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$**

**Remember: "c" is always the Hypotenuse: the longest side**



$9 \text{ squares} + 16 \text{ squares} = 25 \text{ squares}$   
 $\sqrt{25} = 5$

Solve for "c".

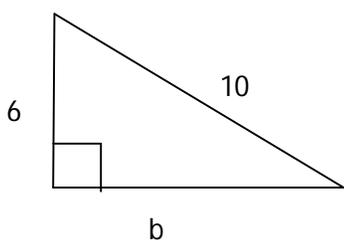


$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ 3^2 + 4^2 &= c^2 \\ 9 + 16 &= c^2 \\ 25 &= c^2 \\ \sqrt{25} &= \sqrt{c^2} \\ \mathbf{5} &= \mathbf{c} \end{aligned}$$

**Remember:**  
The Area of the two small squares adds to the area of the large square.

$$c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$$

Solve for "a" or "b".



$$\begin{aligned} a^2 + b^2 &= c^2 \\ 6^2 + b^2 &= 10^2 \\ 36 + b^2 &= 100 \\ -36 & \quad -36 \\ b^2 &= 64 \\ \sqrt{b^2} &= \sqrt{64} \\ \mathbf{b} &= \mathbf{8} \end{aligned}$$

**OR**

**Remember:**  
Bigger square minus smaller square equals other smaller square.

$$\begin{aligned} c^2 - a^2 &= b^2 \\ 10^2 - 6^2 &= b^2 \\ 100 - 36 &= b^2 \\ 64 &= b^2 \\ \sqrt{64} &= \sqrt{b^2} \\ \mathbf{b} &= \mathbf{8} \end{aligned}$$

$$b = \sqrt{c^2 - a^2}$$