

## 7-2: Understand the Converse of the Pythagorean Theorem

1. Sample answer: If the lengths of the three sides of a triangle satisfy the equation  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ , then the triangle is a right triangle.
2. No; Sample answer: Abe used  $\text{leg}^2 + \text{hypotenuse}^2 = \text{leg}^2$  instead of  $\text{leg}^2 + \text{leg}^2 = \text{hypotenuse}^2$  when solving. Since  $9 + 16 = 25$ , Abe can make a right triangle.
3. Sample answer: The longest side length will always be substituted for  $c$ . The other two lengths can be either  $a$  or  $b$ . It does not matter which is which because of the Communication Property of Addition.
4. Yes; Sample answer:  $6^2 + 8^2 = 10^2$ .
5. No;  
Sample answer:  $(\sqrt{26})^2 + (\sqrt{28})^2 \neq 8^2$
6. No; Sample answer:  
 $15.5^2 + 14^2 \neq 20.8^2$
7. 3; 4; 6  
9; 16; 36  
 $25 \neq 36$   
No
8. 12; 16; 20  
144; 256; 400  
 $400 = 400$   
Yes
9. Yes; Sample answer:  
 $5^2 + 15^2 = (\sqrt{250})^2$ .
10. Yes; Sample answer:  
 $5^2 + 3.75^2 = 6.25^2$ .
11. Yes; Sample answer: The side lengths satisfy  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ , so  $159 + 282 = 441$ .
12. Triangles 1 and 3
13. Student 1 and Student 2; Sample answer: They used the equation  $a + b = c$  instead of  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ .
14. No; Sample answer: Since  $13^2 + 14^2 \neq (\sqrt{340})^2$ ,  $\triangle KLM$  is not a right triangle. So  $\overline{KM}$  is not perpendicular to  $\overline{JL}$  and is not the height of  $\triangle JKL$ .
15. a. Triangles 2 and 3  
b. Sample answer: For Triangle 1, if the lengths of the legs are  $\sqrt{229}$  units and  $\sqrt{225}$  units, then the length of the hypotenuse would be  $\sqrt{454}$  units.
16.  $\triangle XYZ$   
 $9^2 + (\sqrt{63})^2 = (\sqrt{144})^2$
17. B