Achieved Trigonometry Practice #1

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How high is the roof from the ceiling? (Dotted) $% \left(\left({{{\rm{D}}} \right)_{{\rm{T}}}} \right)$

3. The playhouse needs a support brace on the outside.

The brace is 2 metres long, and goes to the top of the 1.6 metre high wall.

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 On the other wall the brace is a bit shorter, at only 1.8 metres long (the wall is still 1.6 m high).

How far out from the wall does the brace reach? (Dotted)







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We need a long side, so we use $h^2 = a^2 + b^2$ $h^2 = 2.4^2 + 1.6^2 = 8.32$. $h = \sqrt{8.32} = 2.88 \text{ m}$

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There is an angle, so we use ${}_{S}^{O}{}_{H} {}_{C}^{A}{}_{H} {}_{T}^{O}{}_{A}$. We have the H and want the O, so we use ${}_{S}^{O}{}_{H}$. O = S × H = Sin 35° × 2 = 1.147 m

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How far out from the wall does the brace reach? (Dotted)

We need a short side, so we use $a^2 = h^2 - b^2$ $a^2 = 1.8^2 - 1.6^2 = 0.68$. distance = $\sqrt{0.68} = 0.82$ m







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