

Notes on

Finding The Area of a Triangle

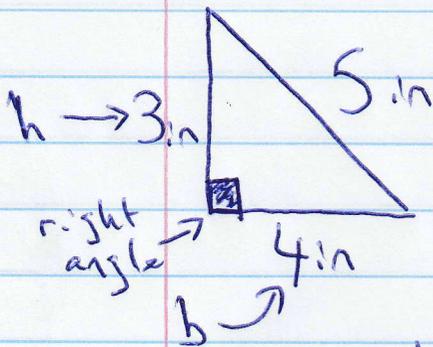
The formula for finding the area is

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \cdot b \cdot h \text{ or } \frac{b \cdot h}{2}, \quad b = \text{base and} \\ h = \text{height.}$$

The answer is always in units squared, like in^2 .

* The base and height of any triangle are ~~are~~ always connected to a right angle. ()

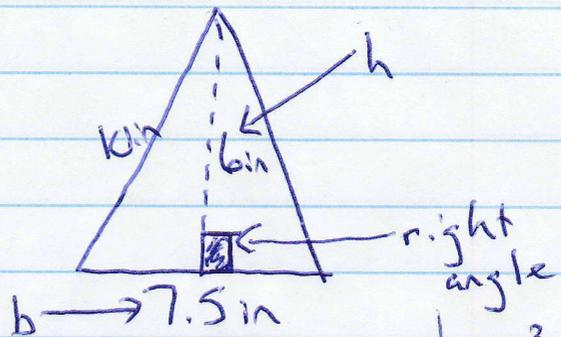
Example



$$A = \frac{1}{2} \cdot b \cdot h \\ = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 3 \cdot 4 \\ = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 12$$

$$A = 6 \text{ in}^2$$

Example



$$A = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 6 \cdot 7.5 \\ A = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 45 \\ = \frac{1}{2} \cdot 45$$

$$A = 22.5 \text{ in}^2$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 3 \\ 7.5 \\ \times 6 \\ \hline 45.0 \\ \hline 22.5 \\ 2 \overline{) 45.0} \\ \underline{40} \\ 50 \\ \underline{40} \\ 100 \\ \underline{100} \\ 0 \end{array}$$