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UNIT 8: CIRCLE GEOMETRY

**8.1: PROPERTIES OF
TANGENTS TO A
CIRCLE**

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MATH 9



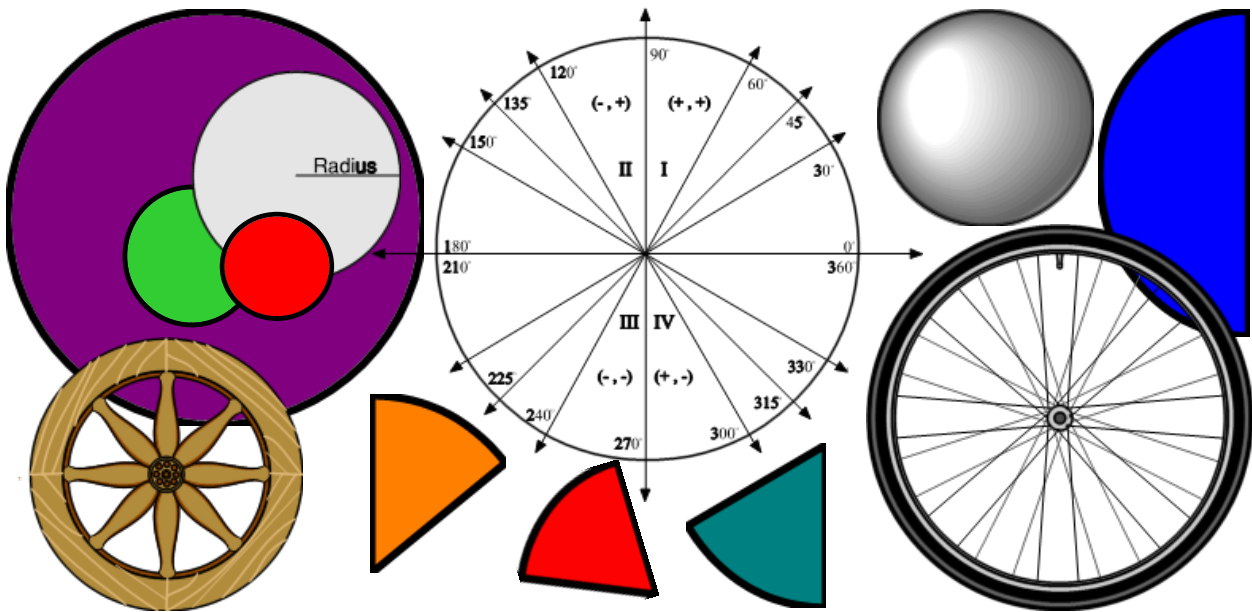
WHAT'S THE POINT OF TODAY'S LESSON?

We will begin working on the Math 9 Specific Curriculum Outcome (SCO) "Shape and Space 1" OR "SS1" which states:

"Solve problems and justify the solution strategy using circle properties, including:

- * the perpendicular from the centre of a circle to a chord bisects the chord;**
- * the measure of the central angle is equal to twice the measure of the inscribed angle subtended by the same arc;**
- * the inscribed angles subtended by the same arc are congruent;**
- * a tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius at the point of tangency."**

Please turn to page 382 in *MMS9*
("What You'll Learn" and "Why It's Important").

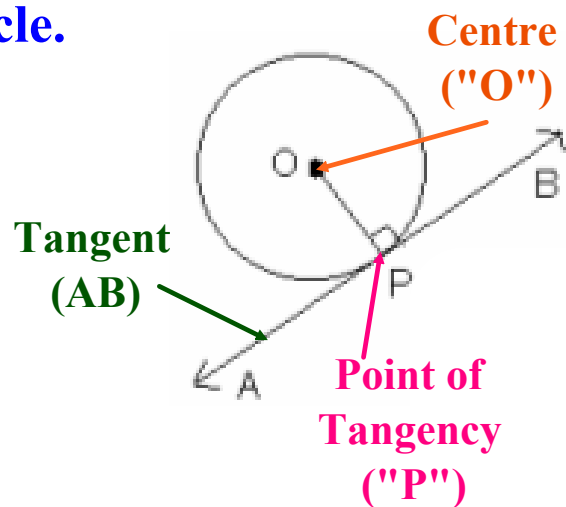


VOCABULARY:

- 1. **TANGENT:** A line that intersects a circle at only one point.
- 2. **POINT OF TANGENCY:** The point where the tangent intersects the circle.

(Please turn to *MMS9*,
page 385 for a moment.)

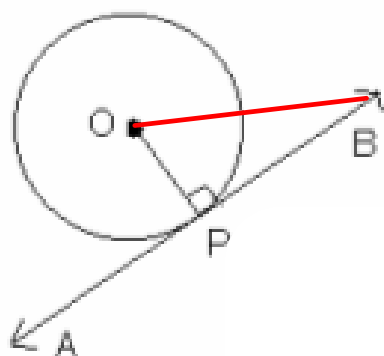
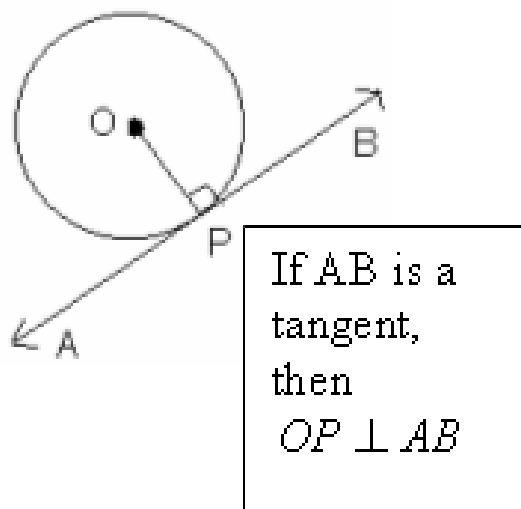
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VOCABULARY:

3. TANGENT-RADIUS PROPERTY (TRP): A tangent to a circle is perpendicular to the radius at the point of tangency.

$$\angle APO = \angle BPO = 90^\circ$$



By joining "O" with "B", a right triangle is formed. What theorem could you use to find a missing side length here?

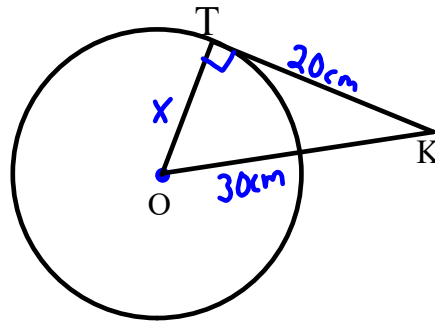
THE PYTHAGOREAN THEOREM!!!

Using the Pythagorean Theorem in a Circle

Point O is the centre of a circle, and KT is a tangent to the circle. KT measures 20 cm, and KO measures 30 cm. Determine the length of the radius, OT, to the nearest tenth.

REMEMBER:

$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$



$$c^2 = a^2 + b^2 \text{ or } a^2 = c^2 - b^2$$

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 &= c^2 - b^2 \\ x^2 &= 30^2 - 20^2 \\ &= 900 - 400 \\ &= 500 \end{aligned}$$

Answer:

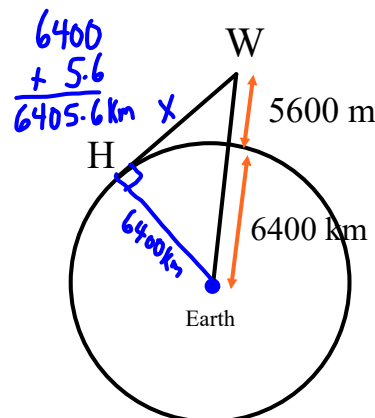
$$\begin{aligned} x &= \sqrt{500} \\ &= 22.4 \text{ cm} \end{aligned}$$

Solving Problems Using the Tangent and Radius Property



An airplane, W, is cruising at an altitude of 5600 m. A cross section of Earth is a circle with radius approximately 6400 km. A passenger wonders how far she is from a point H on the horizon she sees outside the window. Calculate this distance to the nearest kilometre.

$$\begin{aligned} a^2 &= c^2 - b^2 \\ x^2 &= 6405.6^2 - 6400^2 \\ &= 41\,031\,711.36 - 40\,960\,000 \\ &= 71\,711.36 \\ x &= \sqrt{71\,711.36} \\ &= 268 \text{ km} \end{aligned}$$

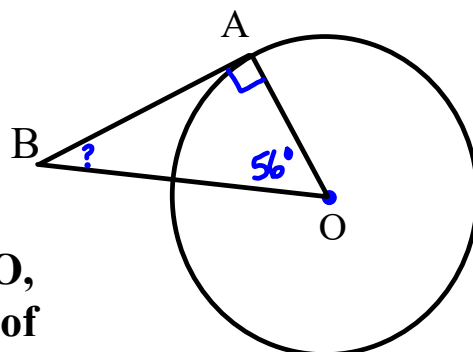


ANSWER: 268 km

Determining the Measure of an Angle in a Triangle

REMEMBER: "SATT" (the sum of the angles in a triangle theorem) - the sum of the three angles in any triangle is ALWAYS 180.

Point O is the centre of a circle, and AB is a tangent to the circle. In $\triangle ABO$, $\angle AOB = 56^\circ$. Determine the measure of $\angle ABO$.



$$\begin{aligned} \angle BAO &= 90^\circ && \text{TRP} \\ \angle AOB &= 56^\circ && \text{Given} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \angle ABO &= 180 - 90 - 56 && \text{SATT} \\ &= 34^\circ \end{aligned}$$

ANSWER: 34°

CONCEPT REINFORCEMENT:

MMS9:

PAGE 388: #3, #5 & #6

PAGE 389: #7, #9, #11 & #12

PAGE 390: #13, #14, #17 & #18

PAGE 391: #19, #20 & #22

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