

8.GM.B.6 Distinguish between applications of the Pythagorean Theorem and its Converse in authentic contexts.

Can you think of an "If \rightarrow then" statement?

IF THERE IS ICE ON THE WINDSHIELD
THEN IT IS BELOW FREEZING.

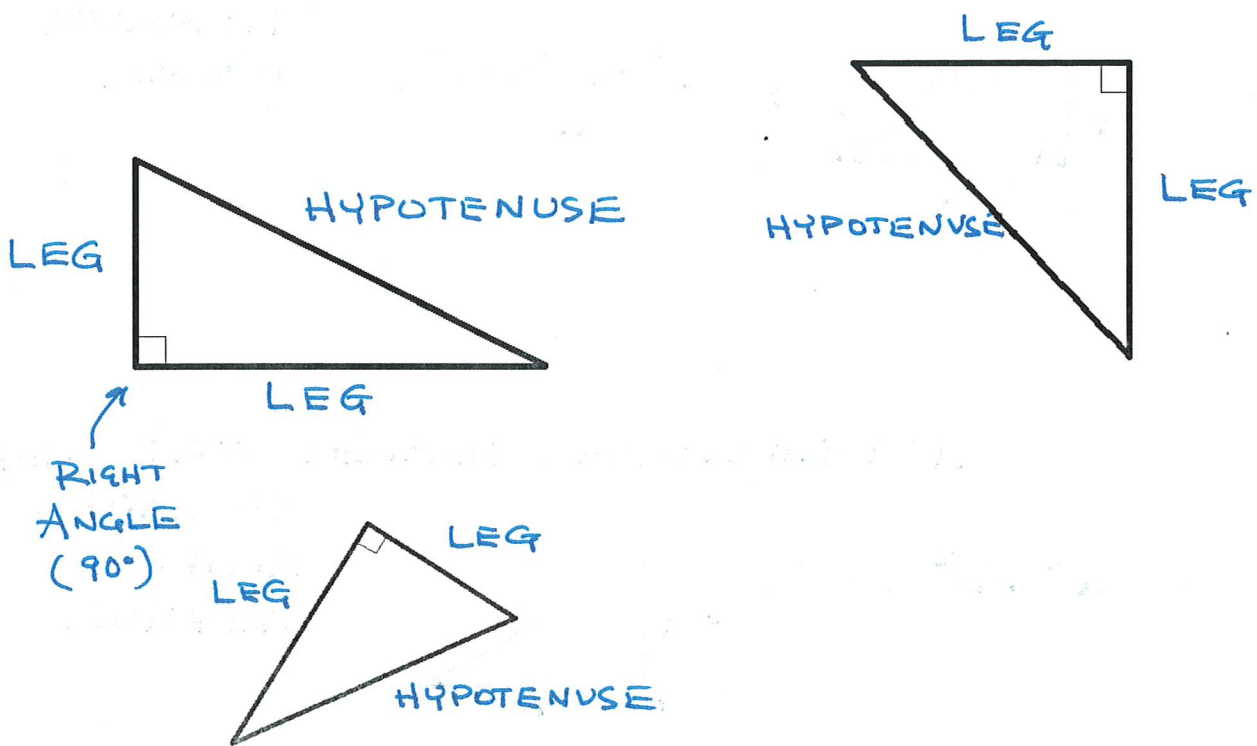
↑ HYPOTHESIS
↑ CONCLUSION

The CONVERSE of the statement switches the hypothesis and conclusion.

CONVERSE: IF IT IS BELOW FREEZING
THEN THERE IS ICE ON THE WINDSHIELD.

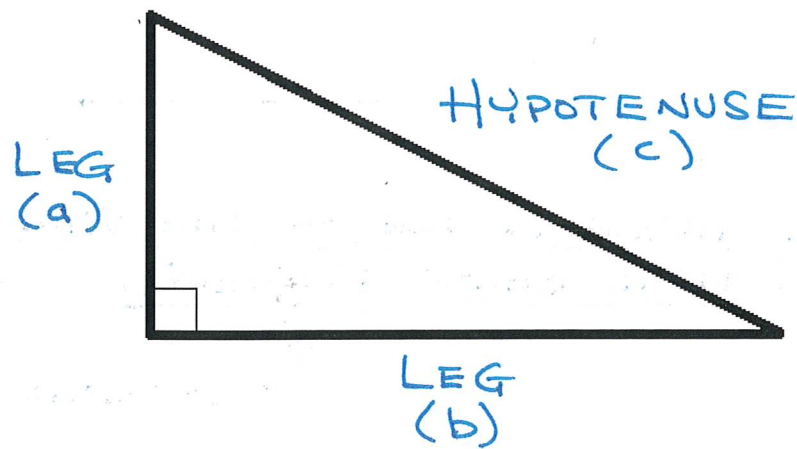
Pythagorean Theorem

If we have a right triangle...



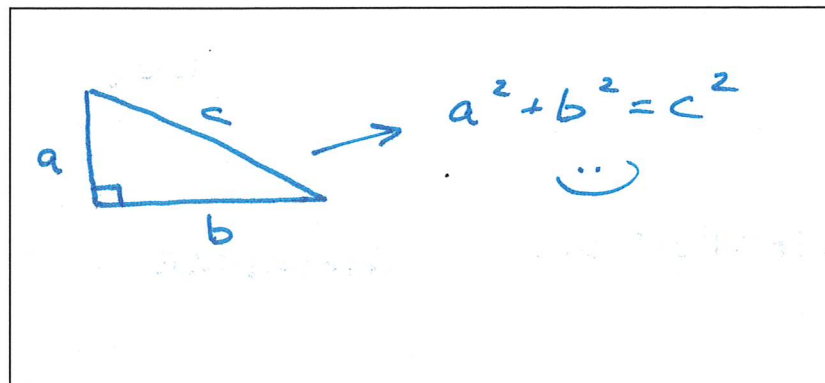
...then Pythagorean Theorem works.

Pythagorean Theorem: In all right triangles, the sum of the squares of the legs is equal to the square of the hypotenuse.



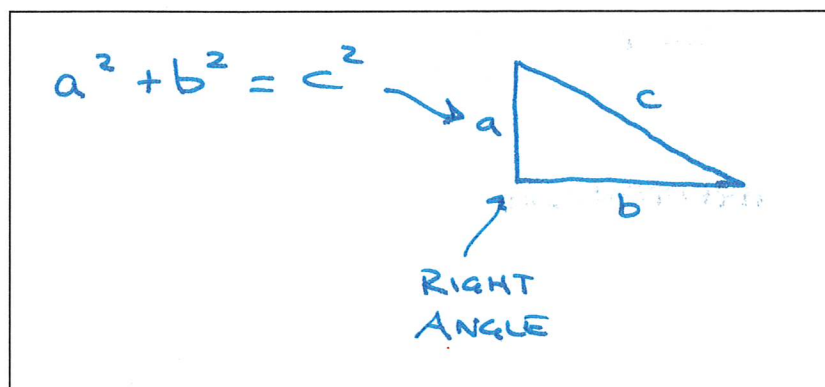
$$(leg)^2 + (leg)^2 = (hypotenuse)^2$$
$$a^2 + b^2 = c^2$$

Pythagorean Theorem: IF WE HAVE A RIGHT TRIANGLE, THEN



PYTHAGOREAN THEOREM WORKS.

The Converse of Pythagorean Theorem: IF PYTHAGOREAN THEOREM WORKS, THEN



WE HAVE A RIGHT TRIANGLE.