

Learner 1: PC 1.1 and 1.2

Learner 1: Meets Requirements
Intended for teacher use only

Cutting down a tree

Sarah wants to cut down a tree in her back paddock, but needs to know how tall it is so she can fell it without hitting anything on the ground. Your tutor/teacher will show you a tree outside that is the same height as Sarah's tree. 1

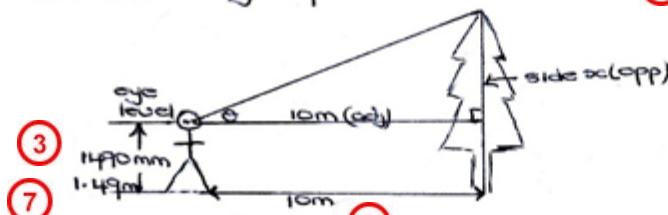


Estimate the height of the tree and then take appropriate measurements and make calculations to work out how tall the tree is for Sarah.

It may help to draw a diagram.

Useful formula: $\tan x = \text{Opp/Adj}$ $\sin x = \text{Opp/Hyp}$ $\cos x = \text{Adj/Hyp}$

I think the height of the tree is about 12m 2



$\tan \theta = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}}$ 3

measured θ with the clinometer on my iphone

$\theta = 45^\circ$ 4 $\tan 45^\circ = 1$

$\tan 45^\circ = \frac{x}{10\text{m}}$

$10\text{m} \times 1 = 10\text{m}$
 $x = 10\text{m}$

Total height of tree is
 $10\text{m} + 1.49\text{m} = 11.49\text{m}$

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Teacher/tutor attestation 6

The estimation was made before any measurements were taken

I observed learner 1 take these measurements without assistance, using clinometer app on iphone and measuring tape

The measurements taken were accurate (within an acceptable tolerance range).

Signed: AZ3 (tutor/teacher Date: 10/6/14)