# **Physics Skills**

## PART IV. GEOMETRY/TRIGONOMETRY

Area

Area, *A*, is the number of square units needed to cover a surface. Some common shapes and the formulas for calculating the area of each shape are shown below:



#### Find the area of each of the following shapes described below.

- 1. A rectangular driveway that is 3.05 m wide and 64.0 m long
- 2. Circle with r = 8.00 cm
- 3. A shape formed by the figure below



### Volume

The volume, V, of a three-dimensional object is the amount of space it occupies. The units for volume are length units cubed, such as m3 or cm3. Some common formulas for volume are shown below:



#### Find the volume of the shape:

- 4. A physics laboratory workbook with l = 27.7 cm, w = 21.6 cm, and h = 3.7 cm
- 5. A cylindrical juice glass with: diameter = 6.5 cm and h = 11.0 cm
- 6. A basketball with diameter = 22 cm

### Using right triangle trigonometry and the Pythagorean Theorem solve the following. Your calculator must be in degree mode. SHOW ALL YOUR WORK! SOH CAH TOA



7.  $\theta = 55^{\circ}$  and **c** = 32 m, solve for **a** and **b**.

8. 
$$\theta = 45^{\circ}$$
 and  $\mathbf{a} = 15$  m/s, solve for **b** and **c**.

- 9. **b** = 17.8 m and  $\theta$  = 65°, solve for **a** and **c**.
- 10.  $\mathbf{a} = 250$  m and  $\mathbf{b} = 180$  m, solve for  $\theta$  and  $\mathbf{c}$ .
- 11. **a** =25 cm and **c** = 32 cm, solve for **b** and  $\theta$ .