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Learning Goal 5.1

Express an entire radical as a simplified mixed radical and vice versa. Identify and order irrational numbers.

Order these numbers least to greatest.

$$5, 3\sqrt{3}, 2\sqrt{6}, \sqrt{23}$$

$$5 = \sqrt{25}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 3\sqrt{3} &= \sqrt{3^2 \times 3} \\ &= \sqrt{3^3} \\ &= \sqrt{27} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2\sqrt{6} &= \sqrt{2^2 \times 6} \\ &= \sqrt{4 \times 6} \\ &= \sqrt{24} \end{aligned}$$

$$\sqrt{23} < \sqrt{24} < \sqrt{25} < \sqrt{27}$$

$$\sqrt{23} < 2\sqrt{6} < 5 < 3\sqrt{3}$$

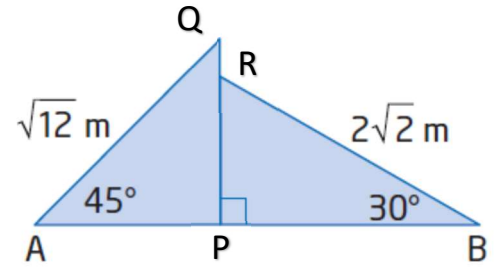
Simplify radicals and combine like terms.

$$\text{a. } 2\sqrt{7} + 13\sqrt{7} = 15\sqrt{7}$$

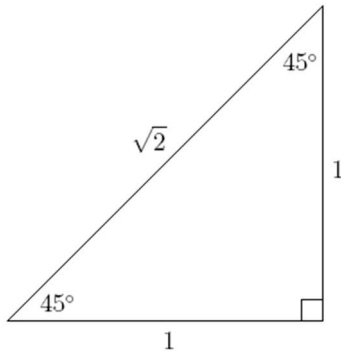
$$\begin{aligned} \text{b. } \sqrt{24} - \sqrt{6} &= \sqrt{2^2 \times 6} - \sqrt{6} \\ &= 2\sqrt{6} - \sqrt{6} \\ &= \sqrt{6} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{c. } \sqrt{20x} - 3\sqrt{45x}, x \geq 0 &= \sqrt{2^2 \times 5 \times x} - 3\sqrt{3^2 \times 5 \times x} \\ &= 2\sqrt{5 \times x} - (3 \times 3)\sqrt{5 \times x} \\ &= 2\sqrt{5x} - 9\sqrt{5x} \\ &= -7\sqrt{5x} \end{aligned}$$

What is the exact length of AB?



Because $\triangle APR$ is a right isosceles triangle, it is similar to this triangle, so



$$\frac{AP}{\sqrt{12}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

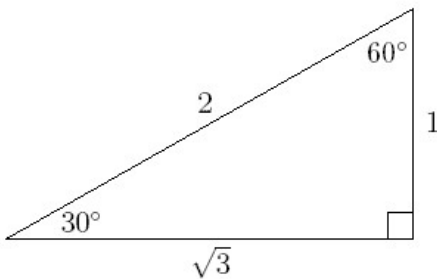
$$\frac{AP}{\sqrt{2^2 \times 3}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{AP}{\sqrt{6 \times 2}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{AP}{\sqrt{6 \times 2}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{\sqrt{6 \times 2}}$$

$$AP = \sqrt{6}$$

Because $\triangle BPR$ is a 30 – 60 – 90 triangle, it is similar to this triangle, so



$$\frac{BP}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2}$$

$$\frac{BP}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{2 \times 3}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$\frac{BP}{2\sqrt{2}} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2\sqrt{2}}$$

$$BP = \sqrt{6}$$

$$AB = \sqrt{6} + \sqrt{6}$$

$$= 2\sqrt{6}$$

