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Algebra II

Pythagorean Identities

1. Simplify: $\sec^2 \theta (1 - \cos^2 \theta)$

2. Simplify: $\sec \theta (1 - \sin^2 \theta)$

3. Simplify: $\tan^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta$

4. Show that $\frac{\sec^2 x - 1}{\sec^2 x}$ is equivalent to $\sin^2 x$.

5. The expression $\frac{\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta}{1 - \sin^2 \theta}$ is equivalent to

- 1) $\cos^2 \theta$
- 2) $\sin^2 \theta$
- 3) $\sec^2 \theta$
- 4) $\csc^2 \theta$

6. The expression $\sin A + \frac{\cos^2 A}{\sin A}$ is equivalent to

- (1) 1
- (2) $\sin A$
- (3) $\sec A$
- (4) $\csc A$

7. The expression $(\cos^2 \theta - 1)$ is equivalent to

- (1) $\sin^2 \theta$
- (2) $\cos^2 \theta$
- (3) $-\sin^2 \theta$
- (4) $-\cos^2 \theta$

8. Which trigonometric expression does *not* simplify to 1?

- 1) $\sin^2 x(1 + \cot^2 x)$
- 2) $\sec^2 x(1 - \sin^2 x)$
- 3) $\cos^2 x(\tan^2 x - 1)$
- 4) $\cot^2 x(\sec^2 x - 1)$