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Square Root Assignment

1) Simplify without a calculator. Then use a calculator to check.

a)  $\sqrt{100}$     b)  $\sqrt{16}$     c)  $\sqrt{49}$     d)  $\sqrt{1}$     e)  $\sqrt{121}$     f)  $\sqrt{144}$   
           10            4            7            1            11            12

2) Simplify with a calculator. Round to the nearest hundredth.

a)  $\sqrt{2}$                     b)  $\sqrt{12}$                     c)  $\sqrt{90}$                     d)  $\sqrt{21.5}$   
           1.41                    3.46                    9.49                    4.64

3) Find the side length of each square with the following area:

a)  $36\text{m}^2$                     b)  $81\text{cm}^2$                     c)  $20.25\text{m}^2$   
 $\sqrt{36}$                      $\sqrt{81}$                      $\sqrt{20.25}$   
           = 6m                    = 9cm                    = 4.5m

4) Simplify without a calculator as a fraction in lowest terms. Then use a calculator to check.

a)  $\sqrt{\frac{9}{16}} = \frac{\sqrt{9}}{\sqrt{16}}$                     b)  $\sqrt{\frac{25}{64}} = \frac{\sqrt{25}}{\sqrt{64}}$                     c)  $\sqrt{\frac{1}{49}} = \frac{\sqrt{1}}{\sqrt{49}}$                     d)  $\sqrt{\frac{81}{100}} = \frac{\sqrt{81}}{\sqrt{100}}$   
           =  $\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)$                     =  $\left(\frac{5}{8}\right)$                     =  $\left(\frac{1}{7}\right)$                     =  $\left(\frac{9}{10}\right)$

5) Simplify without a calculator. Then use a calculator to check.

a)  $\sqrt{0.04}$                     b)  $\sqrt{0.36}$                     c)  $\sqrt{0.0001}$                     d)  $\sqrt{0.0144}$   
           0.2                    0.6                    0.01                    0.12

6) We generally imagine that the resulting square root is smaller than its square (look at question #2). Explain why the square root values from #5 are bigger than the original square.

ex  $\sqrt{0.04}$  ← the square root  
           = 0.2 ← is bigger than the square (0.04)

0.2 is smaller than 1, so if you multiply it to itself ( $0.2 \times 0.2$ ), it results in a smaller number  
 $0.2 \times 1 = 0.2$   
 $0.2 \times 0.2 = 0.04$   
           ↑ smaller than 1                    ↑ smaller than 0.2

7) Explain why it is not possible to square root a negative number.

There is no way to multiply two identical numbers and end up with a negative number

pos x pos = pos  
 neg x neg = pos

only way to get a neg: pos x neg = neg  
 neg x pos = neg  
 different signs: cannot be identical