## Triangles

**1.** Given that  $x = 5 \tan \theta$ , sketch right triangle involving  $\theta$  and label all the sides. Then determine expressions for all 6 trigonometric functions of  $\theta$ .

$$\sin \theta = \qquad \qquad \csc \theta =$$
$$\cos \theta = \qquad \qquad \sec \theta =$$
$$\tan \theta = \frac{x}{5} \qquad \qquad \cot \theta =$$

2. Given the following information, sketch and label a right triangle involving  $\theta$ . In each case, write down the resulting radical expression ( $\sqrt{-}$ ) that appears on one of the sides.

| Given                    | Triangle | $\underline{\text{Radical Expression } (\sqrt{})}$ |
|--------------------------|----------|--|
| (a). $x = a \sin \theta$ |          |  |

(b).  $x = a \tan \theta$ 

(c). 
$$x = a \sec \theta$$

(d). 
$$x = \frac{a}{b}\sin\theta$$

(e). 
$$x = \frac{a}{b} \tan \theta$$

(f). 
$$x = \frac{a}{b} \sec \theta$$

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**3.** Use the given substitution to rewrite the given radical expression in terms of trigonometric functions. Then simplify as much as possible using trig identities.

[Helpful identities for simplifying:  $\cos^2 \theta + \sin^2 \theta = 1$  and  $1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta$ .]

(a). Use 
$$x = 5 \tan \theta$$
 to rewrite  $\frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2 + 25}}$  Then simplify.

(b). Use 
$$x = a \sin \theta$$
 to rewrite  $x^3 \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$ 

(c). Use 
$$x = \frac{a}{b} \sec \theta$$
 to rewrite  $\sqrt{b^2 x^2 - a^2}$  Then simplify.

**4.** Determine which substitution is appropriate for rewriting and simplifying the following expressions. [Hint: Look at the results of Problem #2.] Do not actually simplify – just state which substitution to make.

(a). 
$$x^2\sqrt{x^2+1}$$
 (b).  $\sqrt{x^2-7}$  (c).  $\frac{1}{x^2\sqrt{9-16x^2}}$ 

**5.** Consider a circle with radius a, i.e.  $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$ .

- (a). Sketch the top half of this circle in the xy-plane.Shade the area bounded by this semi-circle and the x-axis.
- (b). What is the equation (function) for this top half of the circle.

y =

(c). Set up, but do not evaluate, the integral to find the area of this shaded region.

Then simplify.