

## Trig Exact Values Help sheet – NON – CALCULATOR [www.m4ths.com](http://www.m4ths.com)

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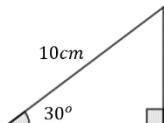
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