

$$x^{2} - 10x = -25$$

$$x^{2} - 10x + 5^{2} = -25 + 5^{2}$$

$$(x - 5)^{2} = -25 + 25 = 0$$

$$x - 5 = \sqrt{0} = 0$$

$$x = 0 + 5 = 5$$
Length of the shorter side of the rectangle = x = 5 m.
Length of the longer side of the rectangle = 20 - 2x = 20 - 2×5 = 20 - 10
= 10 m.
Another method

$$2x^{2} - 20x = -50 = > 2x^{2} - 20x + 50 = 0$$

$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-(-20) \pm \sqrt{0}}{2 \times 2}$$

$$= \frac{20 \pm 0}{4}$$

$$x = \frac{20}{4} = 5$$

$$a = 2, b = -20, c = 50$$

$$b^2 - 4ac = (-20)^2 - 4 \times 2 \times 50$$

$$= 400 - 400 = 0$$

Length of the shorter side of the rectangle = x = 5 m. Length of the longer side of the rectangle = $20 - 2x = 20 - 2 \times 5 = 20 - 10$ 10 m. =

= 400 - 400 = 0

Activity 2

A rectangle is to be made on the ground using a 20 metre long rope , with a wall as one

side . Can the area of the rectangle be 51 square metres ? Check .

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Since negative numbers don't have square roots, the equation $2x^2 - 20x + 51 = 0$ does not have a solution.

NOTE :

Whether a number is positive or negative , its square is positive

Activity 3

The perimeter of a rectangle is 42 metres and its diagonal is 15 metres . What are the

lengths of its sides ?

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$$x = \frac{24}{2}$$
 Or $x = \frac{18}{2}$

x = 12 Or x = 9

Length = x = 12 m. ==> breadth = 21 - x = 21 - 12 = 9 m.

Activity 4

In writing the equation to construct a rectangle of specified perimeter and area, the perimeter was wrongly written as 24 instead of 42. The length of a side was found to be 10.

a) What is the area in the problem ?

b) What are the lengths of the sides of the rectangle in the correct problem ?

<u>Answer</u>

Wrongly written perimeter = 24 ==> 2 length + 2 breadth = 24

==> length + breadth = $\frac{24}{2}$ = 12

Length of a sides = 10, 2

a) Area = length \times breadth = $10 \times 2 = 20$

Correct perimeter = 42 ==> 2 length + 2 breadth = 42

==> length + breadth = $\frac{42}{2}$ = 21

Take, length = x, then breadth = 21 - x

Area = 20 ==> x (21 - x) = 20

 $21x - x^2 = 20$

 $x^2 - 21x = -20$

 $x^2 + 21x + 20 = 0$

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$$x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$x = \frac{-(-21) \pm \sqrt{361}}{2 \times 1}$$

$$= \frac{21 \pm 19}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{21 \pm 19}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{21 + 19}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{21 + 19}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{21 - 19}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{40}{2}$$

$$x = \frac{21}{2}$$

$$x = 20$$

$$x = 1$$
b) Length = x = 20 ==> Breadth = 21 - x = 21 - 20 = 1

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