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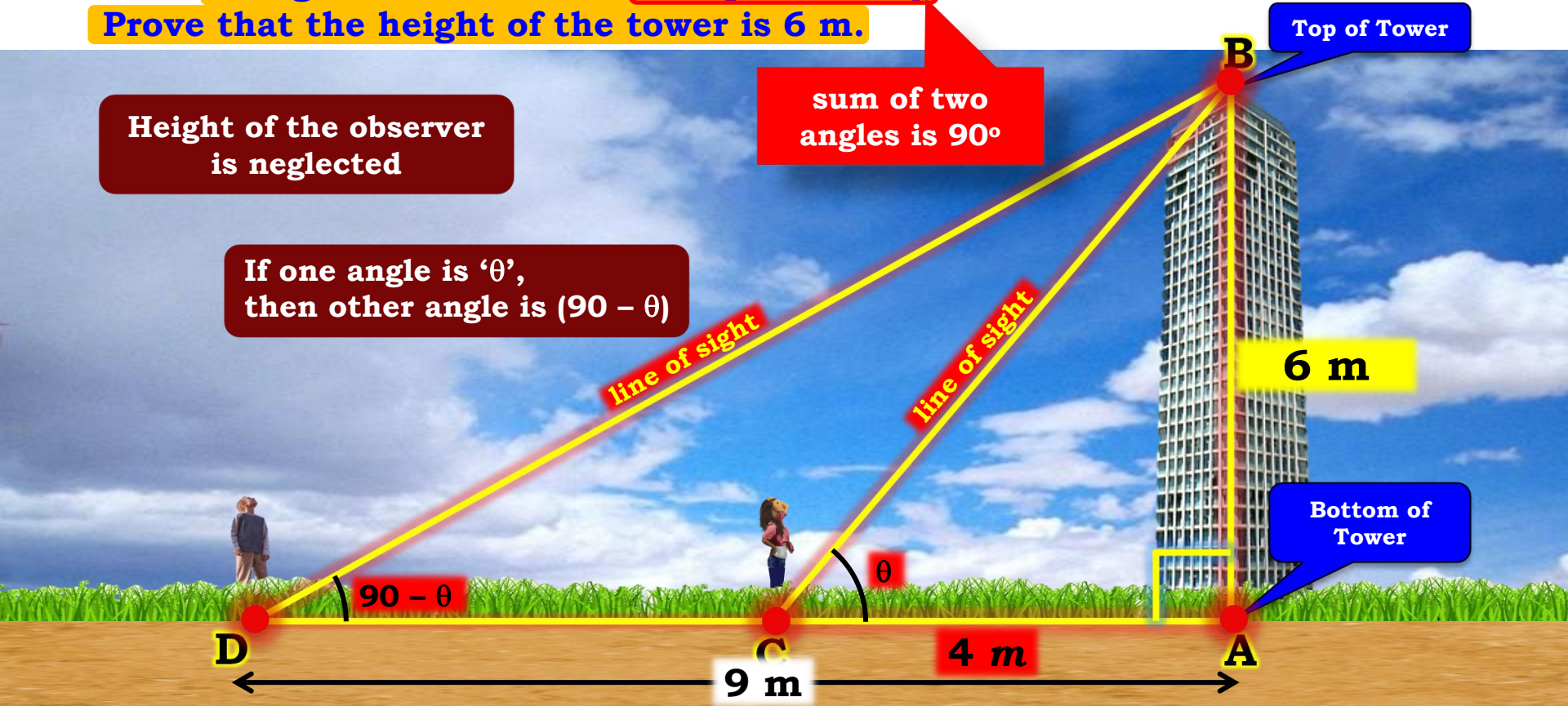
Solved Example 3

Q. The angles of elevation of the top of a tower from two points at a distance of 4 m and 9 m from the base of the tower and in the same straight line with it are complementary. Prove that the height of the tower is 6 m.

Height of the observer is neglected

sum of two angles is 90°

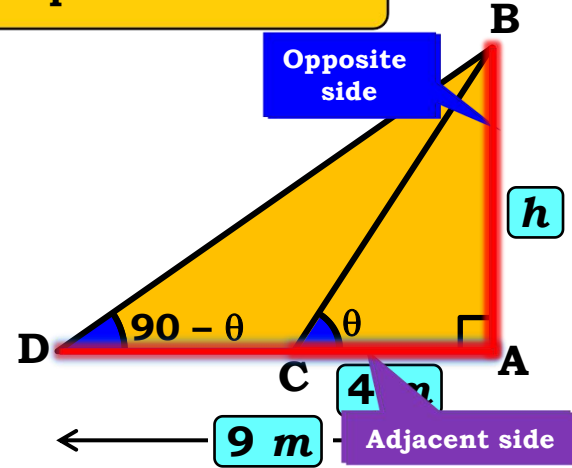
If one angle is ' θ ', then other angle is $(90 - \theta)$



Q. The angles of elevation of the top of a tower from two points on a straight line towards the base of the tower are 30° and 90° respectively. If the distance between the two points is 9 m, find the height of the tower.

Now, consider $\triangle BAD$
 $\tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \frac{\text{Opposite side}}{\text{Adjacent side}}$

To prove : $h = 6 \text{ m}$



Sol. Let the height of tower (AB) be ' h ' m

Distance of point C from the base of tower = 4 m

Distance of point D from the base of tower = 9 m

Let $\angle ACB = \theta$

So, $\angle ADB = (90 - \theta)$

In right $\triangle BAC$,

$$\tan \theta = \frac{AB}{AC}$$

$$\therefore \tan \theta = \frac{h}{4} \dots(i)$$

We know that,
 $\tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \cot \theta$

$$\therefore \tan(90^\circ - \theta) = \cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}$$

$$\therefore \cot \theta = \frac{h}{9}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\tan \theta} = \frac{h}{9}$$

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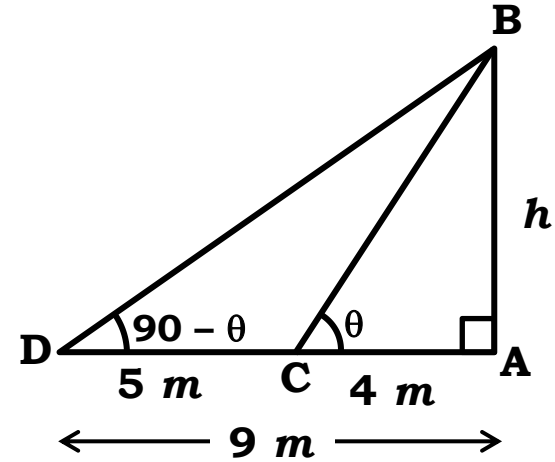
$$\therefore \frac{9}{h} = \tan \theta$$

$$\therefore \frac{9}{h} = \frac{h}{4}$$

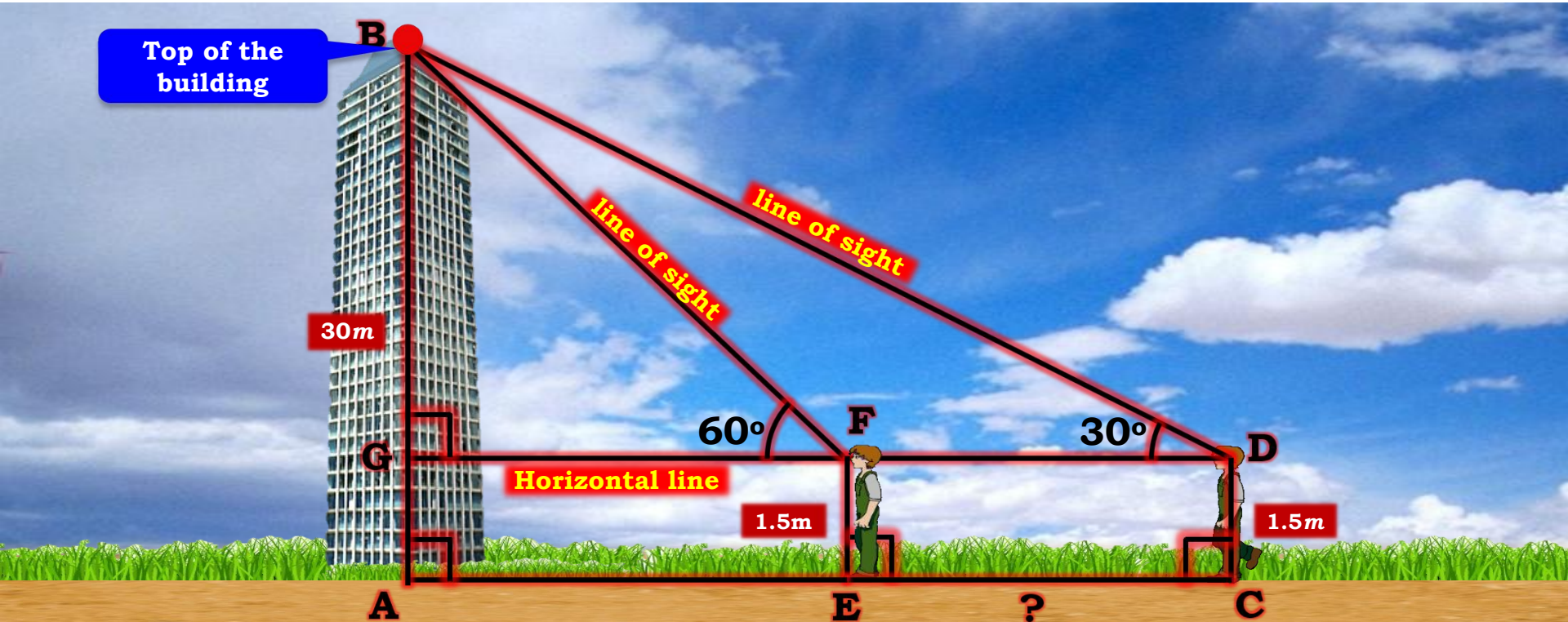
$$\therefore 36 = h^2$$

$$\therefore h = 6$$

\therefore **Height of the tower is 6 m**



- Q. A 1.5 m tall boy is standing at some distance from a 30 m tall building. The angle of elevation from his eyes to the top of building increases from 30° to 60° as he walks towards the building. Find the distance he walked towards the building.



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BG is a part of BA

Sol. Height of tower $(AB) = 30\text{ m}$

Height of boy $(CD) = 1.5\text{ m}$

But, $CD = EF = AG = 1.5\text{ m}$

$$BG = AB - AG$$

$$\therefore BG = 30 - 1.5$$

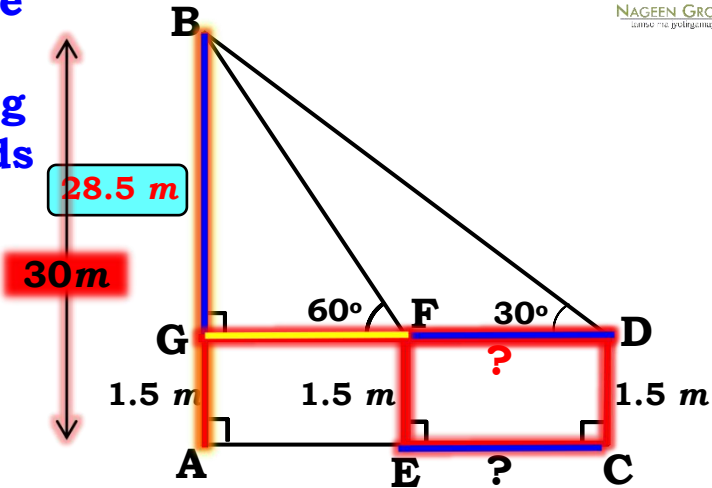
$$\therefore BG = 28.5\text{ m}$$

$\square FECD$ is a rectangle

$$GD = GF + FD$$

$$FD = GD - GF$$

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Q. A 1.5 m tall boy is standing at some distance from a 30 m tall building. The angle of elevation of the top of the building from the eye of the boy increases as he walks towards the building. Find the distance he walked towards the building.

Ratio of opposite side and Adjacent side reminds us of **'tan'**

Sol.

$\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$

In right

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{BG}{GF}$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{28.5}{GF}$$

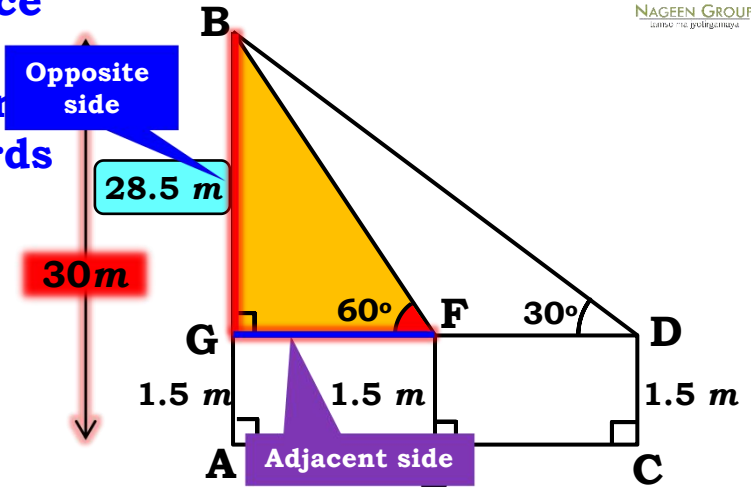
$$\therefore GF = \frac{28.5}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$FD = GD - GF$$

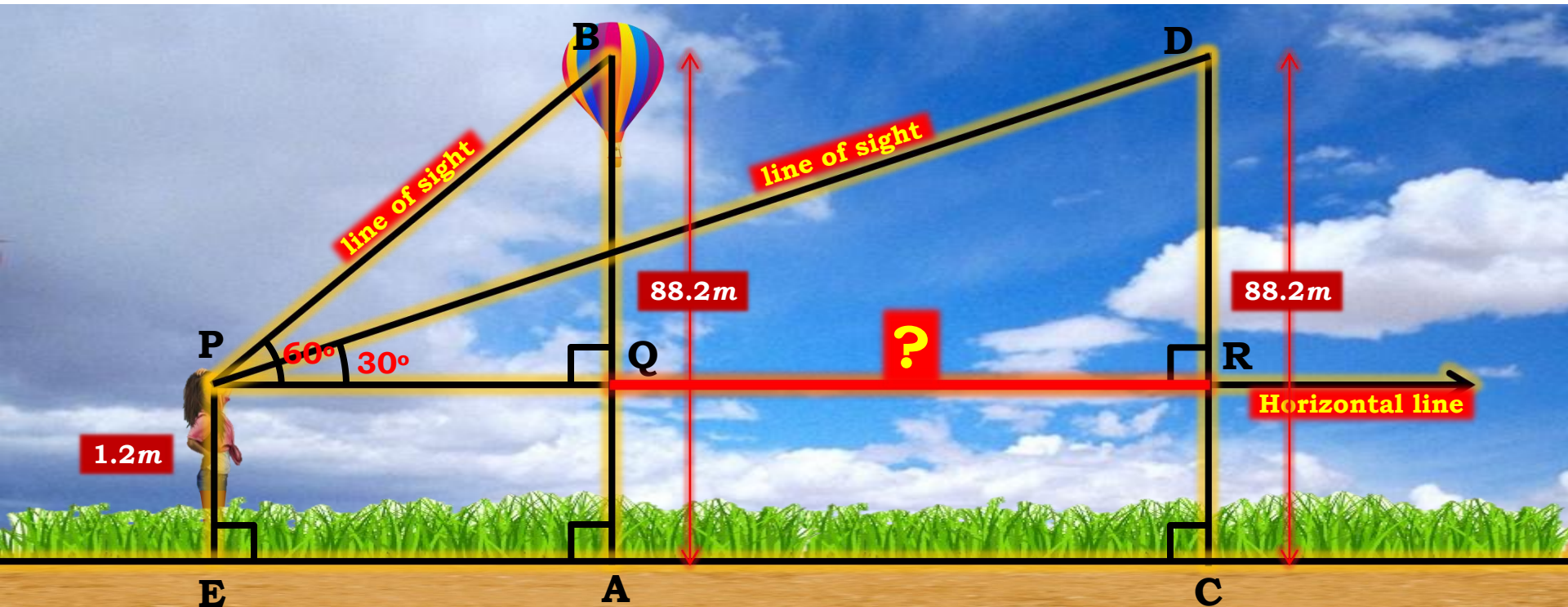
$$\therefore GF = \frac{28.5 \times \sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3} \times \sqrt{3}}$$

$$\therefore GF = \frac{9.5 \times \sqrt{3}}{3}$$

$$\therefore GF = 9.5\sqrt{3} \text{ m}$$



- Q. A 1.2 m tall girl spots a balloon moving with the wind in a horizontal line at a height of 88.2 m from the ground. The angle of elevation of the balloon from the eye of girl is 60° . After some time, angle of elevation reduces to 30° . Find the distance travelled by the balloon during the interval.



Q. A 1.2 m tall girl spots a balloon moving with the wind in the right of her. At a certain instant, the angle of elevation of the balloon from her eyes is 30° . After 10 seconds, the angle of elevation changes to 60° . Find the distance travelled by the balloon during the interval.

Now, let us rationalise the denominator

Sol. Height of balloon from the ground

$(AB) = 88.2 \text{ m}$

Height of the girl $(PE) = 1.2 \text{ m}$

$PE = QA = RC = 1.2 \text{ m}$

$BQ = BA - QA$

$\tan 60^\circ = \sqrt{3}$

$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{BQ}{PQ}$

$\sqrt{3} = \frac{87}{PQ}$

$\therefore \sqrt{3} = \frac{87}{PQ}$

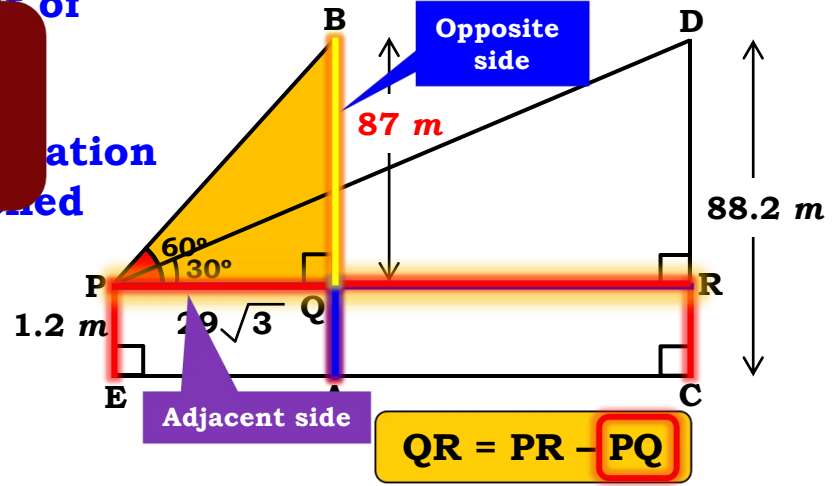
$\therefore PQ = \frac{87}{\sqrt{3}}$

$\therefore PQ = \frac{87}{\sqrt{3}} \times \frac{\sqrt{3}}{\sqrt{3}}$

$\therefore PQ = \frac{87\sqrt{3}}{3}$

$\therefore PQ = 29\sqrt{3}$

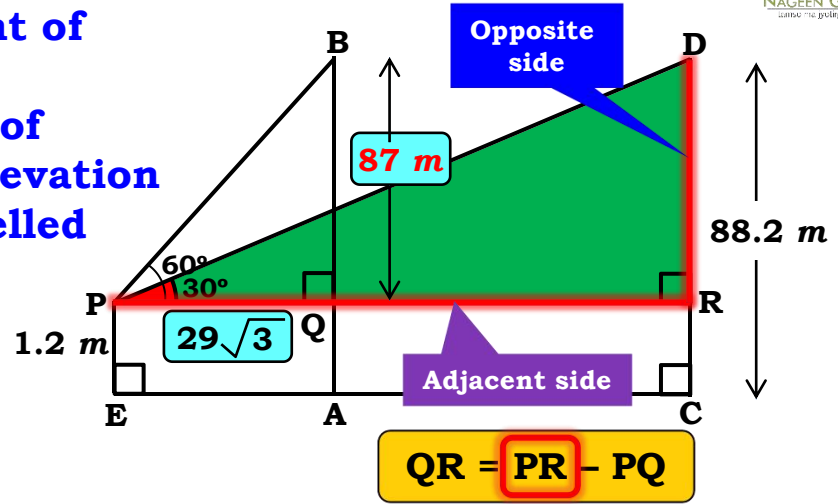
Find : QR



$QR = PR - PQ$

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For $\angle P$
 Opposite side $\rightarrow DR$
 Adjacent side $\rightarrow PR$
 $\tan 30^\circ = \frac{DR}{PR} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$



Sol. In right $\triangle PQR$,

$$\tan 30^\circ = \frac{DR}{PR}$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = \frac{87}{PR}$$

$$\therefore PR = 87\sqrt{3}$$

$$QR = PR - PQ$$

$$\therefore QR = 87\sqrt{3} - 87$$

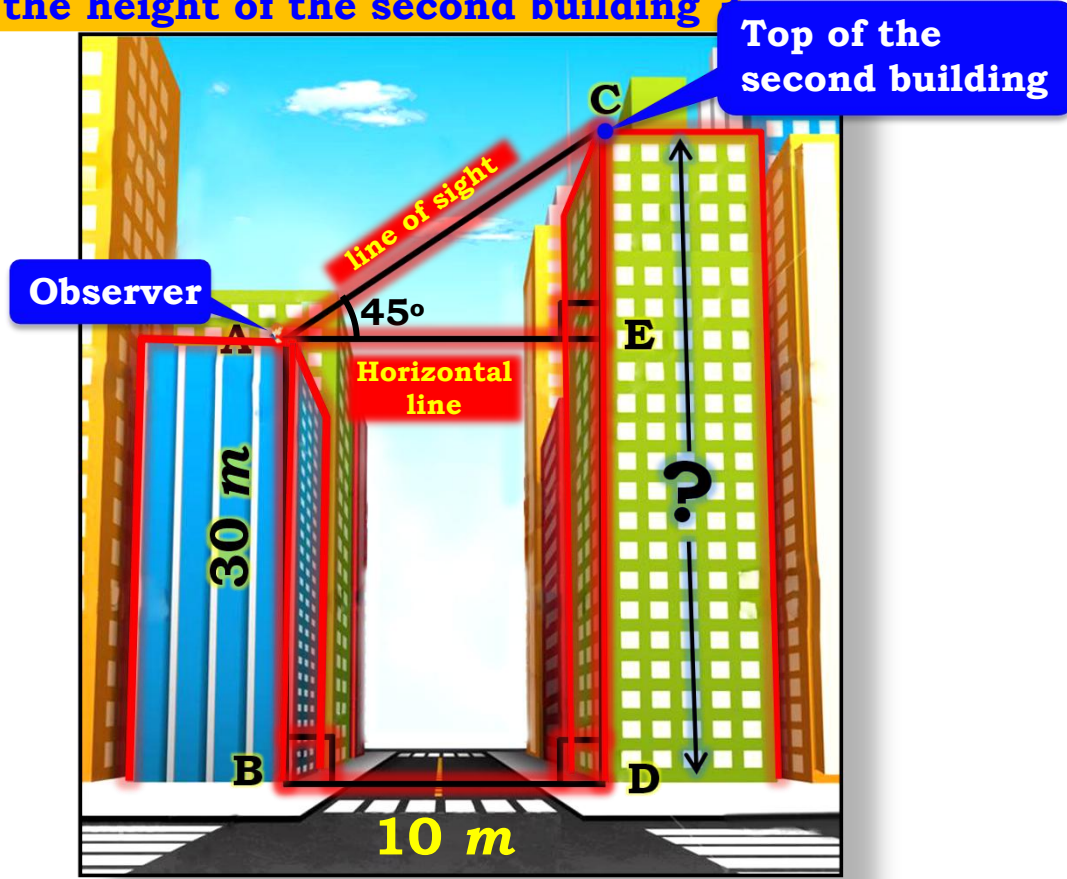
$$\therefore QR = 58\sqrt{3}$$

$$\therefore QR = 58 \times 1.73$$

$$\therefore QR = 100.34 \text{ m}$$

Distance travelled by the balloon is 100.34 m

- Q. Two buildings are in front of each other on either side of a road of width 10 metres. From the top of the first building, which is 30 metres high, the angle of elevation of top of the second is 45° . What is the height of the second building?



Q. Two buildings are in front of each other on either side of a road which is 30 metres wide. From the top of the shorter building, the angle of elevation of the top of the taller building is 45°. What is the height of the second building?

Rat CD is made up of CE and ED
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Sol. AB and CD represents the heights of two buildings.

AB = 30 m

BD represents the width of the road.

BD = 10 m

A represents the position of the observer.

∠CAE is the angle of elevation.

∠CAE = 45°

□ABDE is a rectangle.

tan 45° = P

In right angled ΔCEA,

tan 45° = $\frac{CE}{AE}$

∴ 1 = $\frac{CE}{10}$

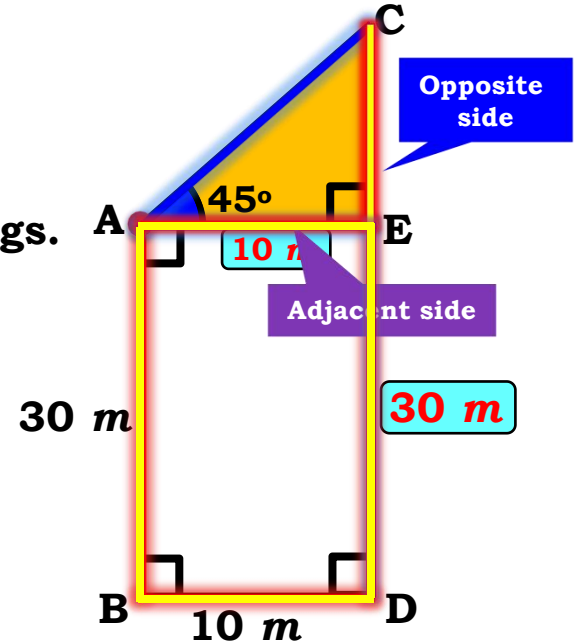
∴ **CE = 10 m**

CD = **CE** + **ED**

∴ CD = 10 + 30

∴ CD = 40 m

∴ **The height of the second building is 40 m**



Thank You