Activity 19 Solving trigonometric equations

- 1. a) $\theta = 36.87^{\circ}$
 - b) $\theta = 143.13^{\circ}$
 - c) Angles are supplementary. In general, if θ is a solution to the equation $\sin \theta = k$ then another solution is $\theta_2 = 180^\circ \theta$.
 - d) The relationship also holds for negative *k*.
- 2. $\theta = 17.46^{\circ}, 162.54^{\circ}$
- 3. $\theta = 210^{\circ}, 330^{\circ}$
- 4. Change the equation to x = 0.2
 - Solutions: $\theta = 78.46^{\circ}$, 281.54°
- 5. Further solutions can be found by adding or subtracting multiples of 360° to the existing solutions.
- 6. a) $\theta = 34.99^{\circ}, 214.99^{\circ}$
 - b) $\theta_2 = \theta + 180^\circ$
- 7. $\theta = 135^{\circ}, 315^{\circ}$
- 8. Add 360° to existing solutions. Solution set: $\theta = 135^{\circ}$, 315° , 495° , 675°
- 9. By changing the domain to reflect the double angle, i.e. $0 \le \theta \le 720^{\circ}$ we obtain solutions for 2θ of $2\theta = 53.13^{\circ}$, 126.87° , 413.13° , 486.87° .

Hence $\theta = 26.57^{\circ}$, 63.43° , 206.67° , 243.43° .

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