

# No Joking Around Trigonometric Identities

Prove each identity.

1.  $\frac{\cot\theta}{\cos\theta} = \csc\theta$

2.  $\cot\theta + \tan\theta = \csc\theta \sec\theta$

3.  $\sin\theta + \frac{\cot\theta}{\sec\theta} = \csc\theta$

4.  $\frac{1 - \cos^2\theta}{\cos\theta} \cdot \csc\theta = \tan\theta$

5.  $2 \csc\theta = \frac{\sin\theta}{1 + \cos\theta} + \frac{\sin\theta}{1 - \cos\theta}$

6.  $\frac{\cot^2\theta - 1}{\cot^2\theta + 1} = 2\cos^2\theta - 1$

**Remember**

Use the following basic identities to obtain equivalent forms.

Quotient Identities	Reciprocal Identities	Pythagorean Identities
$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}, \cos \theta \neq 0$	$\csc \theta = \frac{1}{\sin \theta}, \sin \theta \neq 0$	$\sin^2 \theta + \cos^2 \theta = 1$
$\cot \theta = \frac{\cos \theta}{\sin \theta}, \sin \theta \neq 0$	$\sec \theta = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}, \cos \theta \neq 0$	$1 + \tan^2 \theta = \sec^2 \theta$
	$\cot \theta = \frac{1}{\tan \theta}, \tan \theta \neq 0$	$1 + \cot^2 \theta = \csc^2 \theta$

**Example:**  $\sec \theta - \sin \theta \tan \theta$

$$= \frac{1}{\cos \theta} - \sin \theta \cdot \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

Change to sines and cosines.

$$= \frac{1 - \sin^2 \theta}{\cos \theta}$$

Combine fractions.

$$= \frac{\cos^2 \theta}{\cos \theta} = \cos \theta$$

Replace numerator. Cancel  $\cos \theta \neq 0$ .

Connect equivalents.

1. $\tan \theta \csc \theta$	●	Z F	●	a. $\frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta}$
2. $\csc \theta \sin \theta - \sin^2 \theta$	●	X A	●	b. $\sin \theta$
3. $\frac{\sin \theta \csc \theta}{\tan \theta}$	●	B Q	●	c. $\sec \theta$
4. $\frac{\sec \theta}{\cot \theta + \tan \theta}$	●	U	●	d. $\sin \theta \tan \theta$
5. $(1 - \cos \theta)(1 + \cos \theta)$	●	B R	●	e. $\cos^2 \theta$
6. $\csc \theta - \cot \theta$	●	O N	●	f. $\frac{1}{\csc^2 \theta}$
7. $\cos \theta(\tan \theta - \sec \theta)$	●	J U	●	g. $\cot \theta$
8. $\frac{\tan \theta + \sin \theta}{\csc \theta + \cot \theta}$	●	S S	●	h. $\sin \theta - 1$

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