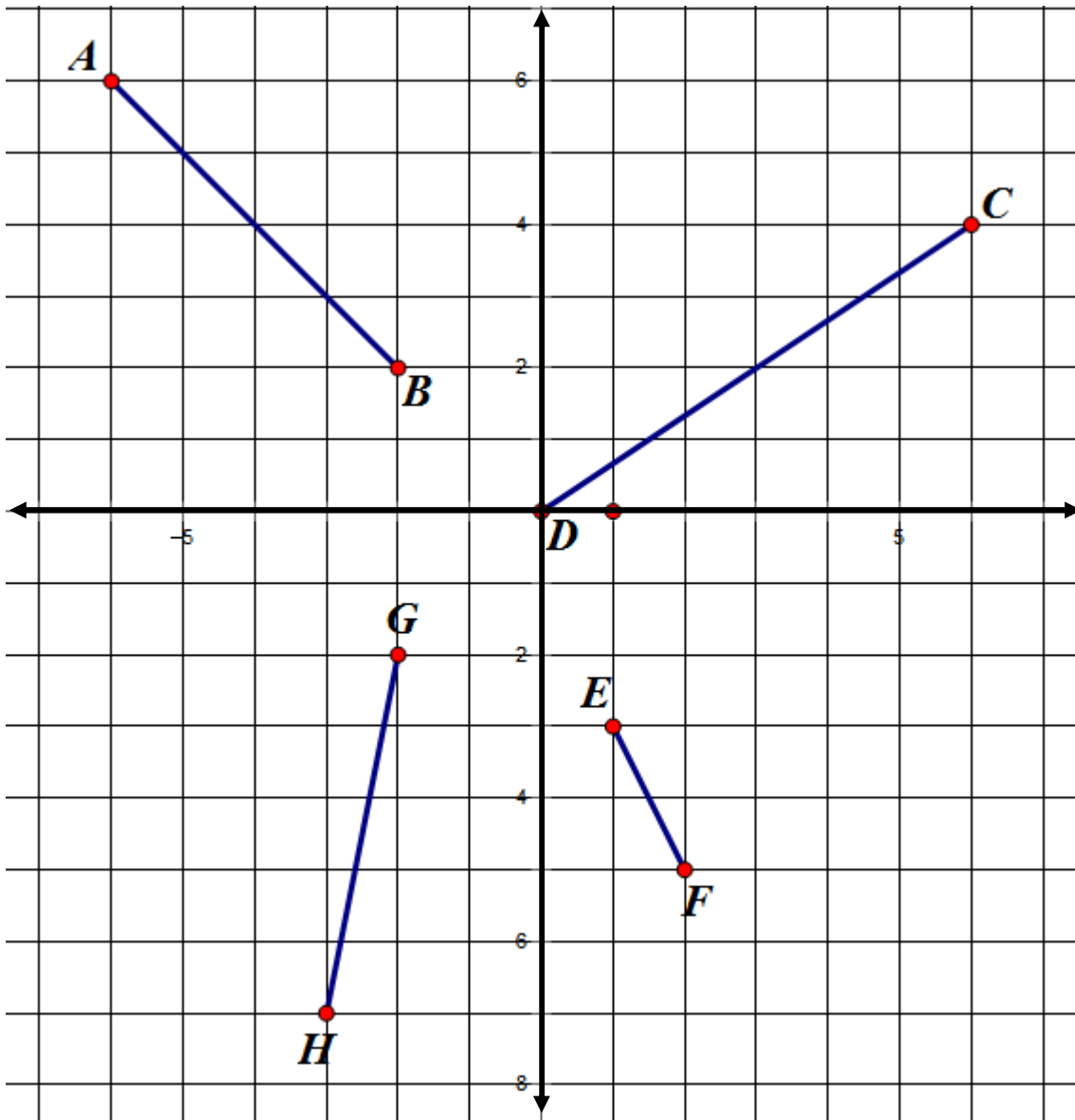


The Theorem. $c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$



The Pythagorean Theorem is used to find the length of a line segment on a grid, or the hypotenuse of a right triangle.

Length of \overline{AB} . If \overline{AB} is the hypotenuse of a right triangle, find the lengths of the legs. Complete the triangle. The vertical leg a , is 4 units. The horizontal leg b , is 4 units. Square both legs and add them together. $4^2 + 4^2 = 16 + 16 = 32$. Now take the square root of 32 and you get ≈ 5.659 . Notice how the answer is NOT a whole number.

Length of \overline{CD} = _____

Length of \overline{GH} = _____

Length of \overline{EF} = _____