## **Proving the Pythagorean Theorem**

Marty is trying to prove the Pythagorean theorem.

He draws a sketch.



- 1. Re-draw Marty's diagram so it is more accurate, using pencil and ruler. Label your diagram clearly.
- 2. Write down what you know about all the lengths, angles, shapes, and areas on the diagram. Give reasons for your statements.
- 3. Using the diagram, construct a proof to show that in any right triangle with sides *a*, *b* and hypotenuse c,  $a^2+b^2=c^2$ .

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