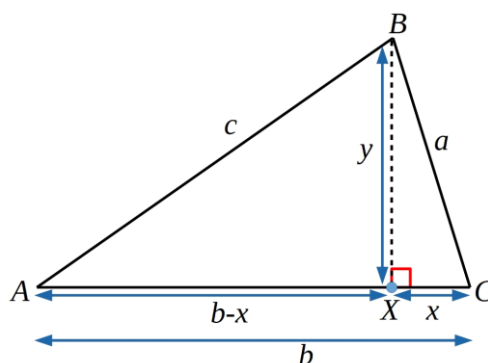


The **converse** of Pythagoras' theorem states that:

"**If** a triangle has lengths  $a, b$  and  $c$  which satisfy  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$  **then** it is a right-angled triangle."

Here is a diagram, and a proof that if  $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$  then  $C$  cannot be less than  $90^\circ$ , but the proof has been scrambled up.

Can you rearrange it into its original order?



Expanding gives $x^2 + y^2 + b^2 = b^2 - 2bx + x^2 + y^2$	A
Let $CX = x$ and so we have $AX = b - x$ , and also let $BX = y$	B
If $x = 0$ then point $X$ is at the same place as point $C$ , which means that $\angle ACB = 90^\circ$	C
This means that either $b = 0$ , which is not possible as $b$ is the length of a side of the triangle, or $x = 0$	D
$\triangle CXB$ is right-angled, so we have $x^2 + y^2 = a^2$	E
If $C < 90^\circ$ then there will be a point $X$ on side $AC$ such that $\angle AXB = 90^\circ$	F
This contradicts our initial statement that angle $C$ is less than $90^\circ$ , and so $C$ cannot be less than $90^\circ$	G
We start by assuming that there exists a triangle $ABC$ with lengths $a, b$ and $c$ where $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ , and angle $C$ is less than $90^\circ$	H
We have $a^2 + b^2 = c^2$ and substituting for $a^2$ and $c^2$ gives $(x^2 + y^2) + b^2 = (b - x)^2 + y^2$	I
$\triangle AXB$ is right-angled, so we have $(b - x)^2 + y^2 = c^2$	J
Simplifying gives $2bx = 0$	K