## Circle Geometry - Properties of Tangents

1. Draw and label a diagram to illustrate the property of a tangent to a circle.
2. Point O is the centre of the circle. Points P and Q are points of tangency. Determine the values of $x^{\circ}$ and $y$. Justify your solutions.

3. Point O is the centre of the circle.

Point $P$ is a point of tangency.
Determine the value of $x$ to the nearest tenth.
Justify your solution.

4. A wheel has radius 30 cm . It rolls along the ground toward a tack that is 58 cm from the point where the wheel currently touches the ground. What is the distance, $d$, between the tack and the closest point on the circumference of the wheel? Give the answer to the nearest tenth of a centimetre.

5. A circular plate has radius 13 cm .

It is packed in a square cardboard frame whose 4 edges just touch the plate.
What is the distance, $d$, from the centre of the plate to a corner of the frame?
Give the answer to the nearest tenth of a centimetre.


## Answers

1. Point $O$ is the centre of the circle.

2. $x^{\circ}=67^{\circ} ; y=12$
3. $x=9.8$
4. The distance between the tack and the closest point on the circumference is about 35.3 cm .
5. The distance from the centre of the plate to the corner of the frame is about 18.4 cm .
