

English

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2.7 Andrew Jackson, Andrew Jackson, Isosceles right triangle.

Comment:

Andrew Jackson was elected President of the U.S. in 1828.
The angles of an isosceles right triangle measure 45, 90, and 45,
respectively.

From: Dion Lew

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Two point seven Andrew Jackson Andrew Jackson
isosceles right triangle.

Comment:

Mnemonic for $e = 2.7\ 1828\ 1828\ 45-90-45$
Andrew Jackson was elected US President in 1828.

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The mnemonic I learned to remember e was just to think of a picture of
Andrew Jackson. It goes something like this....

First, it is given that you can remember e is a little more than 2.

Then Andrew Jackson is the 7th president of the U.S., so $e = 2.7...$

Next, recall that Andrew Jackson was elected in 1828... $e = 2.71828...$
and he served two terms $e = 2.718281828...$

Now consider a square picture of Andrew Jackson. The picture falls off
the wall when you bang your head against the wall trying to remember
useless info. (like e). The picture breaks along the diagonal giving a
45-90-45 degree triangle, so $e = 2.718281828459045...$

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Subject: Re: Science memory aids

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My old high school math teacher had a picture of Andrew Jackson (the US Pres.) on the wall. The picture was square, and the glass was cracked along one diagonal. He offered extra credit for anyone who could explain why he kept it there.:

Spoiler:

The picture was his way of remembering e to 16 sig. figs.

He knew it was more than 2 and less than 3, so you have

2.?

Andrew Jackson was the seventh president

2.7

He was elected in 1828

2.71828

He served two terms, so repeat that.

2.718281828

The cracked picture formed a right triangle. The angles were 45, 90, and 45 degrees

$e = 2.718281828459045$

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