Reference angles and evaluating higher trig angles with Trig 1-2-3

Create the two reference triangles and the unit circle picture below:

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sin 0° =	sin 30° =	sin 45° =	sin 60° =	
cos 0°=	cos 30 ° =	cos 45° =	cos 60° =	
tan 0 ° =	tan 30 ° =	tan 45 ° =	tan 60° =	

sin 90° =	sin 180° =	sin 270° =	sin 360° =
cos 90 ° =	cos 180 ° =	cos 270° =	cos 360° =
tan 90 ° =	tan 180 ° =	tan 270° =	tan 360° =

Now you need to learn how to find reference angles:

If you have a first quadrant angle, the angle is the reference angle. If you have a second quadrant angle, the reference angle is found by $180-\theta$ If you have a third quadrant angle, the reference angle is found by $\theta-180$ If you have a forth quadrant angle, the reference angle is found by $360-\theta$

Find the reference angle of the following angles θ :

30 ° =	150 ° =	210°=	330 ° =
45 ° =	135 ° =	225 ° =	315°=
60°=	120°=	240°=	300 ° =
	120 =	210 =	

Hopefully you see how you are able to find sin, cos, and tan of these angles also without a calculator (but you can always verify)

Trig 1-2-3 is the process VC math teachers show students how to evaluate these other angles:

- Step 1: Determine if the trig value of the angle is positive or negative (using unit circle picture)
- Step 2: Rewrite the trig function
- Step 3: Find the reference angle (you are now ready to evaluate what you have)

Example: $\sin 225 ° = - \sin 45 ° = - \frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}$

Evaluate the following angles using Trig 1-2-3

sin 120° =	sin 135° =	sin 150° =	sin 210° =	
cos 120° =	cos 135 ° =	cos 150° =	cos 210° =	
tan 120° =	tan 135°=	tan 150° =	Tan 210 ° =	

sin 225° =	sin 240° =	sin 300° =	sin 315° =
cos 225° =	cos 240° =	cos 300° =	cos 315° =
tan 225° =	tan 240° =	tan 300° =	tan 315° =

sin 330° =	
cos 330° =	
tan 330° =	

Angles higher than 360° can be found by doing one addition step: **Find the coterminal angle between 0**° **and 360**°.

Example: $\cos 660^{\circ} = \cos 300^{\circ}$ (since 660 - 360 = 300) = $+\cos 60 = \frac{1}{2}$

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sin 570 °=	tan -240 °=	cos 675 °=	sin -210 °=	
cos 600 °=	tan -315 °=	sin -60 °=	cos 855 °=	