

$$\sec X = \frac{1}{\cos X} = \frac{1}{\frac{15}{17}} = \frac{17}{15}$$

Now, from the definitions: $\sin X = \frac{opp}{hyp} = \frac{8}{17}$ and $\cos X = \frac{adj}{hyp} = \frac{15}{17}$

A triangle with $opp = 8$, $hyp = 17$, and $adj = 15$ will have these ratios.

So: $\tan X = \frac{opp}{adj} = \frac{8}{15}$