Problem 1) The area of the small square is $(a-b)^{2}$, that of the large square $c^{2}$. Adding the areas of the four triangles, $4 a b / 2$, to that of the small square yields the area of the large square, as follows: $c^{2}=(a-b)^{2}+4 a b / 2=a^{2}+b^{2}$. This completes the proof of the Pythagorean theorem.

