

9B Geometric Sequences

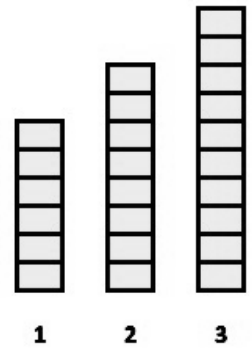
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SHOW YOUR WORK. WORK IN PENCIL.

1. Gavin needs to get into shape because he keeps chewing gum in class. He keeps track of the number of push-ups he can do in the chart below if he starts with day 1 to the right.

a. Make a four column table with the number of push-ups he does each day.

n	Pattern	$f(n)$	Shorthand
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			

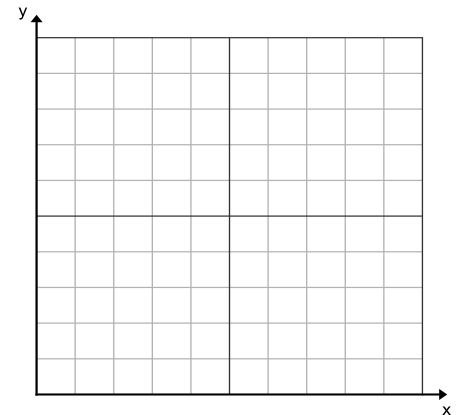


- b. Assuming the pattern continues, how many push-ups will he do on day 10? _____
- c. Is this pattern arithmetic? _____ Explain _____
- d. Write a recursive equation representing the number of push-ups on any day _____
- e. Write an explicit equation to show how many push-ups Gavin will do on day n . (Use proper function notation.) _____

2. His friend, Phillip decides to start by doing 1 push-up on the first day. The next day, he doubles the number of push-ups. He continues to double the number of push-ups each day.

a. Make a four column table with the number of push-ups Phillip does.

n	Pattern	$f(n)$	Shorthand
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			



- b. Who will do more push-ups on day 4? _____
- c. How many push-ups will Phillip do on day 8? _____
- d. Is this pattern arithmetic? _____ Explain _____
- e. Graph (and label) the table for **both boys** on the grid to the right.

3. Use tables to evaluate $f(x)$ for each equation when $x = \{-1, 0, 1, 2\}$.

a. $f(x) = 10^x$

x	$f(x)$
-1	
0	
1	
2	

b. $f(x) = (-3)^x$

x	$f(x)$
-1	
2	

c. $f(x) = -3^x$

x	$f(x)$
-1	

d. $f(x) = 2^{x-1}$

x	$f(x)$

Complete the following. If neither, explain why.

4. 4, 14, 24, 34, 44, ...

Arithmetic/Geometric/Neither
Common Difference/Ratio: _____
Next two terms: _____, _____

5. 3, 15, 75, 375, ...

Arithmetic/Geometric/Neither
Common Difference/Ratio: _____
Next two terms: _____, _____

6. -1, 6, -36, 216, ...

Arithmetic/Geometric/Neither
Common Difference/Ratio: _____
Next two terms: _____, _____

7. Mr. Mann, a math teacher, has a 10% off late paper policy. Each day that an assignment is late a student receives 90% of the credit he or she would have received the day before.

a. Make a table to show the potential credit that can be earned. **Use a fraction to show the loss in credit.**

x	Pattern	y	Short Hand
0		100	
1		90	
2		81	
3			
4			

b. After how many days would your score for a late assignment drop below 50%? _____

c. When will your score reach 0? _____ Explain. _____

d. Write a recursive equation: _____

e. Write an explicit equation: _____

Use the explicit equation to **find the common ratio r and $f(2), f(3), f(4)$ & $f(8)$** . Make a 4-column table to help find your values.

8. $f(n) = 2\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$ $r =$ _____
 $f(2) =$ _____ $f(3) =$ _____
 $f(4) =$ _____ $f(8) =$ _____

0		2	

Given the **recursive formula** for the **geometric sequence** find $f(2), f(3), f(4)$ and the **common ratio r** .

Extra Credit: Write the explicit formula.

9. $f(n) = f(n - 1)(2)$ and $f(1) = 2$
 $f(2) =$ _____ $f(3) =$ _____
 $f(4) =$ _____ $r =$ _____

10. $f(n) = f(n - 1) \times 3$, and $f(1) = -3$
 $f(2) =$ _____ $f(3) =$ _____
 $f(4) =$ _____ $r =$ _____

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Given a term in the **geometric sequence** and the **common ratio “ r ”**, find the **two terms starting with $f(2)$** .

Write the explicit and recursive formulas.

11. $f(0) = 5, r = 5$
 $f(2) =$ _____ *Explicit* = _____
 $f(3) =$ _____ *Recursive* = _____

12. $f(1) = 4, r = -3$
 $f(2) =$ _____ *Explicit* = _____
 $f(3) =$ _____ *Recursive* = _____

Finish each table. Circle “A” if Arithmetic or “G” if Geometric. List the common difference OR common ratio. Write the recursive AND explicit equations in function notation.

13.

Term	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th
Value	3	8	13	18	23			

A or G d OR $r =$ _____ Recursive Equation: _____ Explicit Equation: _____

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Term	0	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th
Value	3/2	3	6	12	24			

A or G d OR $r =$ _____ Recursive Equation: _____ Explicit Equation: _____