



Math worksheet on 'Patterning - Equation for Geometric Pattern (Level 1)'. Part of a broader unit on 'Patterns and Sums - Practice'

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**2**

Find the correct equation to describe this geometric pattern where  $n=1$  is the first term

1, 3, 9, 27, 81, 243

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| <b>a</b> | $a_n = 5 \times 3^{n-1}$  |
| <b>b</b> | $a_n = 1 \times 3^{n-1}$  |
| <b>c</b> | $a_n = 1 \times 3^n$      |
| <b>d</b> | $a_n = 1 + 3(n-1)$        |
| <b>e</b> | $a_n = -2 \times 3^{n-1}$ |
| <b>f</b> | $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ |

**1**

Find the correct equation to describe this geometric pattern where  $n=1$  is the first term

1, 2, 4, 8, 16, 32

|          |                           |          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|----------|---------------------------|
| <b>a</b> | $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ | <b>b</b> | $a_n = 1 \times 6^{n-1}$  |
| <b>c</b> | $a_n = 1 - 2(n-1)$        | <b>d</b> | $a_n = 1 \times 2^{n-1}$  |
| <b>e</b> | $a_n = 1 \times 2^n$      | <b>f</b> | $a_n = 1 \times -2^{n-1}$ |

**3**

Find the correct equation to describe this geometric pattern where  $n=1$  is the first term

2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| <b>a</b> | $a_n = 2 \times 2^n$      |
| <b>b</b> | $a_n = 2 \times 2^{n-1}$  |
| <b>c</b> | $a_n = 2 \times -2^{n-1}$ |
| <b>d</b> | $a_n = 2 - 2(n-1)$        |
| <b>e</b> | $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ |
| <b>f</b> | $a_n = 2 + 2(n-1)$        |

**4**

Find the correct equation to describe this geometric pattern where  $n=1$  is the first term

3, 12, 48, 192

|          |                           |          |                          |
|----------|---------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| <b>a</b> | $a_n = 3 \times 4^n$      | <b>b</b> | $a_n = 6 \times 4^{n-1}$ |
| <b>c</b> | $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ | <b>d</b> | $a_n = 3 \times 4^{n-1}$ |
| <b>e</b> | $a_n = 3 \times 1^{n-1}$  | <b>f</b> | $a_n = 3 - 4(n-1)$       |

**5**

Find the correct equation to describe this geometric pattern where  $n=1$  is the first term

3, 6, 12, 24, 48, 96

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| <b>a</b> | $a_n = 3 \times 2^{n-1}$  |
| <b>b</b> | $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ |
| <b>c</b> | $a_n = 2 \times 2^{n-1}$  |
| <b>d</b> | $a_n = 3 \times -2^{n-1}$ |
| <b>e</b> | $a_n = -1 \times 2^{n-1}$ |
| <b>f</b> | $a_n = 3 + 2(n-1)$        |

**6**

Find the correct equation to describe this geometric pattern where  $n=1$  is the first term

3, 9, 27, 81, 243, 729

|          |                           |
|----------|---------------------------|
| <b>a</b> | $a_n = 3 \times 3^n$      |
| <b>b</b> | $a_n = 3 \times 0^{n-1}$  |
| <b>c</b> | $a_n = 6 \times 3^{n-1}$  |
| <b>d</b> | $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ |
| <b>e</b> | $a_n = 3 \times -1^{n-1}$ |
| <b>f</b> | $a_n = 3 \times 3^{n-1}$  |

**7**

Find the correct equation to describe this geometric pattern where  $n=1$  is the first term

1, 5, 25, 125

|          |                           |          |                          |
|----------|---------------------------|----------|--------------------------|
| <b>a</b> | $a_n = -3 \times 5^{n-1}$ | <b>b</b> | $a_n = 1 \times 5^{n-1}$ |
| <b>c</b> | $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ | <b>d</b> | $a_n = 1 \times 5^n$     |
| <b>e</b> | $a_n = 1 + 5(n-1)$        | <b>f</b> | $a_n = 1 - 5(n-1)$       |