



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

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Find the correct equation that this pattern rule describes

Start at 14 and subtract 3 for each term

a $a_n = 14 \times 3^{n-1}$ **b** $a_n = 15 - 3(n-1)$

c $a_n = 14 - 3(n-1)$ **d** $a_n = 14 + 3(n-1)$

e $a_n = 14 - 2(n-1)$ **f** $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$

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Find the correct equation that this pattern rule describes

Start at 21 and subtract 4 for each term

a $a_n = 21 - 4(n-1)$ **b** $a_n = 21 - 7(n-1)$

c $a_n = 19 - 4(n-1)$ **d** $a_n = 21 \times 4^{n-1}$

e $a_n = 21 - 4(n)$ **f** $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$

3

Find the correct equation that this pattern rule describes

Start at 22 and subtract 5 for each term

a $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ **b** $a_n = 22 - 5(n-1)$

c $a_n = 22 + 5(n-1)$ **d** $a_n = 22 - 5(n)$

e $a_n = 20 - 5(n-1)$ **f** $a_n = 19 - 5(n-1)$

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Find the correct equation that this pattern rule describes

Start at 12 and subtract 2 for each term

a $a_n = 12 - 0(n-1)$ **b** $a_n = 12 - 2(n-1)$

c $a_n = 12 \times 2^{n-1}$ **d** $a_n = 15 - 2(n-1)$

e $a_n = 12 + 2(n-1)$ **f** $a_n = 8 - 2(n-1)$

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Find the correct equation that this pattern rule describes

Start at 18 and subtract 4 for each term

a $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ **b** $a_n = 18 - 3(n-1)$

c $a_n = 18 - 5(n-1)$ **d** $a_n = 18 - 4(n-1)$

e $a_n = 18 + 4(n-1)$ **f** $a_n = 18 - 4(n)$

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Find the correct equation that this pattern rule describes

Start at 23 and subtract 5 for each term

a $a_n = 23 - 5(n-1)$ **b** $a_n = 23 - 3(n-1)$

c $a_n = 23 - 1(n-1)$ **d** $a_n = 23 \times 5^{n-1}$

e $a_n = 23 - 5(n)$ **f** $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$

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Find the correct equation that this pattern rule describes

Start at 11 and subtract 2 for each term

a $a_n = 11 - 0(n-1)$ **b** $a_n = 14 - 2(n-1)$

c $a_n = a_{n-2} + a_{n-1}$ **d** $a_n = 11 - 1(n-1)$

e $a_n = 11 - 2(n)$ **f** $a_n = 11 - 2(n-1)$