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# NUMBER PATTERNS

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## MATHEMATICS GRADE 10

### REVISION PACK

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**QUESTION 8 (MAY 07 BISHOP)**

- 8.1 A sequence begins 5; 9; 13; 17; ...
- 8.1.1 Write down the next two terms (2)
- 8.1.2 Describe in words how each term is calculated from the previous term (1)
- 8.1.3 Find a formula in terms of  $n$  for  $T_n$ , the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term (so  $T_1 = 5$ ,  $T_2 = 9$  etc.) (3)
- 8.1.4 Use your formula to determine whether 151 is a term in the sequence (3)

8.2 Study the pattern given alongside.

$\frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{3} = \frac{2.2}{1.3}$
$\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{2.3}{2.4}$
$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{5} = \frac{2.4}{3.5}$

- 8.2.1 Write down the row that begins with  $\frac{1}{8}$  (2)
- 8.2.2 Now write down the row that begins with  $\frac{1}{n}$  (4)
- 8.2.3 Prove that the row you have written down in 8.2.2 is algebraically correct (3)

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**QUESTION 3 (EXEMPLAR 12)**

- 3.1  $3x + 1$ ;  $2x$ ;  $3x - 7$ ..... are the first three terms of a linear number pattern.
- 3.1.1 If the value of  $x$  is three, write down the FIRST THREE terms. (3)
- 3.1.2 Determine the formula for  $T_n$ , the general term of the sequence. (2)
- 3.1.3 Which term in the sequence is the first to be less than  $-31$ ? (3)
- 3.2 The multiples of three form the number pattern: 3 ; 6 ; 9 ; 12 ; ...  
Determine the 13<sup>th</sup> number in this pattern that is even. (3)

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**QUESTION 4 (JUNE 12 HUD)**

4. Given :

$$5; -1; -7; \dots; -283$$

4.1. Determine an expression for  $T_n$ , the general term of the sequence. (3)

4.2. Hence, determine the number of terms in the sequence. (2)

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**QUESTION 5 (NOV 12 HUD)**

5.1. Given : 17; 15; 13; ...

5.1.1. Write down an expression for the  $n$ -th term of the sequence,  $T_n$ . 1

5.1.2. Hence, determine the position of the term whose value is  $-981$ . 2 (3)

5.2. If:  $3x - 1; 4x + 7; 2x - 5$  are 3 consecutive terms of an arithmetic sequence, calculate the value of  $x$ . (2)

[5]

**QUESTION 7 (JUNE 13 HUD)**

7.1) Given 7;19;31;43;...;475

7.1.1) Determine an expression for  $T_n$ , the general term of the sequence. (2)

7.1.2) Hence, determine how many terms there are in the given sequence. (2)

7.2) The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are

$$2x - 5; 2x + 1; 4x + 3$$

Calculate the value of  $x$  (2)

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**QUESTION 8 (NOV 13 HUD)**

8.1) If 13; 10; 7...

8.1.1) Write down an expression for the  $n$ -th term of the sequence  $T_n$  and simplify the expression (3)

8.1.2) In which position will you find the first term lower than  $-44$ ? (3)

8.2) If  $3x - 1$ ;  $2x + 3$ ;  $2x - 1$  are the first 3 terms of an arithmetic sequence. Calculate  $x$ . (4)

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**QUESTION 8 (JUNE 15 HUD)**

8.1 Given : 1; -4; -9; -14; .... ; -124

8.1.1. Determine an expression for the general term,  $T_n$ , of this sequence; simplify your answer. 2

8.1.2. Hence, using your answer in 8.1.1., determine how many terms are in this sequence. 2 (4)

8.2 Given :  $x + 1$  ;  $3x - 1$  ;  $4x + 1$  as the 1<sup>st</sup> , 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> terms of an arithmetic sequence, calculate:

8.2.1  $x$ , showing it to be 4 3

8.2.2 the common difference of the sequence 3 (6)

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**QUESTION 3 (NOV 15 )**

3.1 Given the linear number pattern: 8 ; 3 ; -2 ; ...

3.1.1 Write down the NEXT TWO terms of the pattern. (2)

3.1.2 Determine the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of the pattern. (2)

3.1.3 Calculate  $T_{30}$ , the thirtieth term of the pattern. (2)

3.1.4 Which term of the pattern is equal to  $-492$ ? (2)

3.2 The first four terms of PATTERN A and PATTERN B are shown in the table below:

Position of term ( $n$ )	1	2	3	4
PATTERN A	1	3	5	7
PATTERN B	1	9	25	49

3.2.1 Determine a general formula for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of PATTERN A. (2)

3.2.2 Hence, or otherwise, determine a general formula for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of PATTERN B. (1)

3.2.3 Hence, determine a general formula for the pattern  $0; -6; -20; -42 \dots$   
Simplify your answer as far as possible. (4)  
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**QUESTION 3 (NOV 06)**

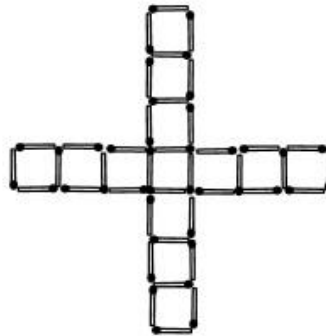
Thandi builds patterns that consist of squares as shown below:



Picture 1



Picture 2



Picture 3

Assume the pattern is continued, answer the following questions:

3.1 How many squares will Picture 5 have? (2)

3.2 Make a conjecture about the number of matches required for any pattern. (2)

3.3 Use a variable to write an algebraic statement to generalise the relationship between the number of squares and the picture number. (2)  
**[6]**

**QUESTION 4 (NOV 07)**

Study the following patterns made up of sticks.



Pattern 1

8 sticks



Pattern 2

15 sticks



Pattern 3

22 sticks

- 4.1 How many sticks will the fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) pattern have? (1)
- 4.2 Write down a conjecture that describes the relationship between the pattern number and the number of sticks required for the pattern. (2)
- 4.3 Write down an algebraic formula for the number of sticks in the  $n^{\text{th}}$  pattern. (2)
- 4.4 Which pattern will use 351 sticks to build? (2)
- [7]

**QUESTION 5**

Katlego was revising for her examination and came across the following sequence of numbers: 2 ; 4 ; 8 ; 16 ; ...

- 5.1 Write down the next two terms in the sequence. (2)
- 5.2 Write down an algebraic formula for the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of the sequence. (3)
- 5.3 Calculate the value of the 20<sup>th</sup> term in the sequence. (2)
- [7]

**QUESTION 5 (NOV 15 CURRO)**

5.1 Consider the sequence:

**23**    4    **18**    7    **13**    10    **8**    13    **3**

5.1.1 Write down the next two terms of this sequence. (2)

5.1.2 If the **bold** terms are removed, determine a general formula  $T_n$  for the remaining terms. (2)

5.1.3 Use your formula to find which term, in the remaining terms, has a value of 244. (2)

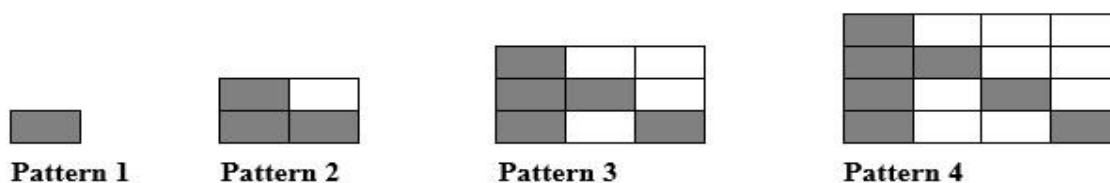
5.2  $3x + 1$  ;  $2x$  ;  $3x - 7$  are the first three terms of a linear number pattern (Arithmetic pattern). Determine the value of  $x$ . (3)

5.3 If the pattern **BRANDONBRANDONBRANDON...** is continued in this way, what will the 349<sup>th</sup> letter be? (2)

**[11]**

**QUESTION 3 (NOV 16)**

Dark tiles (D) and light tiles (L) are used to create patterns on a floor. The first four patterns are shown below. For the patterns that follow the tiles are arranged in a similar manner.



3.1 How many dark tiles were used in pattern 5? (1)

3.2 How many light tiles were used in pattern 6? (1)

3.3 Write down the general term ( $D_n$ ) for the number of dark floor tiles used in each pattern. (2)

3.4 Write down the general term ( $L_n$ ) for the number of light floor tiles used in each pattern. (2)

3.5 Which pattern will have exactly 64 light floor tiles? (3)

3.6 Each dark tile is 0,3 m wide and 0,6 m long. Calculate the total area covered by all the dark tiles in the first 100 patterns. (3)

**[12]**

**QUESTION 3 (NOV 17)**

- 3.1 Consider the linear sequence:  $5 ; 8 ; 11 ; b ; 17 ; \dots$
- 3.1.1 Write down the value of  $b$ . (2)
- 3.1.2 Determine the  $n^{\text{th}}$  term of the sequence. (2)
- 3.1.3 Calculate the value of the 15<sup>th</sup> term of the sequence. (2)
- 3.1.4 Which term in the sequence is equal to 83? (2)
- 3.2 Consider the number pattern below created by using the numbers of the sequence  $2 ; 6 ; 10 ; 14 ; 18 ; \dots$

		2		
		6	10	
	14	18	22	
	26	30	34	38
42	...	...	...	...

- 3.2.1 Calculate the sum of the numbers in the 8<sup>th</sup> row. (3)
- 3.2.2 Determine the mean of the numbers in the 20<sup>th</sup> row. (2)
- [13]**

**QUESTION 6**

6.2 Matches are used to make the figures below.



6.2.1 Copy and complete the following table: (4)

Area	2	4	6	8	20	
Number of matches						207

6.2.2 Determine how many matches you will need if the area is  $2n$ . (2)

**[9]**



**QUESTION 7**

- 7.1 Use a calculator to calculate the following:
- 7.1.1  $11 \times 24$
  - 7.1.2  $11 \times 52$
  - 7.1.3  $11 \times 63$  (1)
- 7.2 Explain in words any pattern that you notice. (A conjecture) (3)
- 7.3 Check if your conjecture works for another 3 examples. (3)
- 7.4 Use algebra to prove your conjecture for multiplying eleven by a two digit number. (4)
- [11]

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THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR READING THIS TUTORIAL.