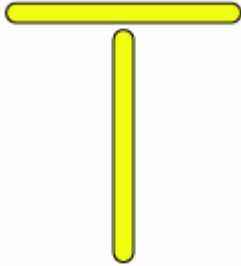


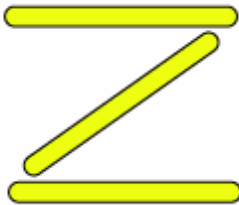
Access NCERT Solutions for Class 6 Chapter 11: Algebra Exercise 11.1

1. Find the rule which gives the number of matchsticks required to make the following matchsticks patterns. Use a variable to write the rule.

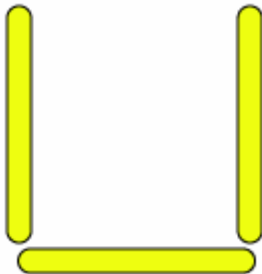
(a) A pattern of letter T as



(b) A pattern of letter Z as



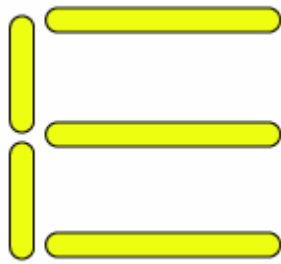
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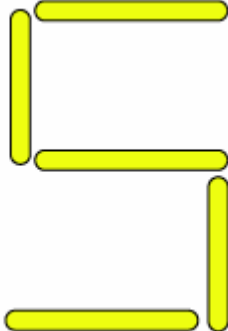
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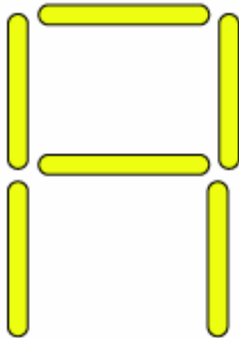
(e) A pattern of letter E as



(f) A pattern of letter S as

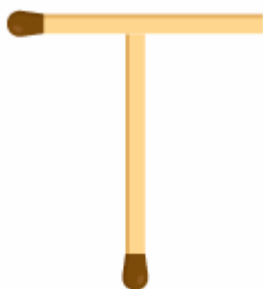


(g) A pattern of letter A as



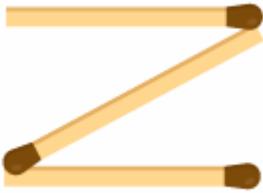
Solutions:

(a)



From the figure we observe that two matchsticks are required to make a letter T.
Hence, the pattern is $2n$

(b)



From the figure we observe that three matchsticks are required to make a letter Z.
Hence, the pattern is $3n$

(c)



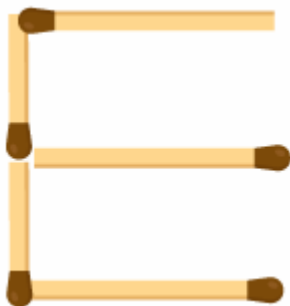
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Hence, the pattern is $3n$

(d)



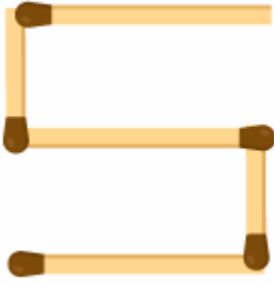
From the figure we observe that two matchsticks are required to make a letter V.
Hence, the pattern is $2n$

(e)



From the figure we observe that 5 matchsticks are required to make a letter E.
Hence, the pattern is $5n$

(f)



From the figure we observe that 5 matchsticks are required to make a letter S.
Hence, the pattern is $5n$

(g)



From the figure we observe that 6 matchsticks are required to make a letter A.
Hence, the pattern is $6n$

2. We already know the rule for the pattern of letters L, C and F. Some of the letters from Q.1 (given above) give us the same rule as that given by L. Which are these? Why does this happen?

Solutions:

We know that L require only two matchsticks. So, the pattern for letter L is $2n$.
Among all the letters given in question 1, only L and V are the letters which require two matchsticks. Hence, (a) and (d).

3. Cadets are marching in a parade. There are 5 cadets in a row. What is the rule which gives the number of cadets, given the number of rows? (Use n for the number of rows)

Solutions:

Let n be the number of rows

Number of cadets in a row = 5

Total number of cadets = number of cadets in a row \times number of rows
= $5n$

4. If there are 50 mangoes in a box, how will you write the total number of mangoes in terms of the number of boxes? (Use b for the number of boxes.)

Solutions:

Let b be the number of boxes

Number of mangoes in a box = 50

Total number of mangoes = number of mangoes in a box \times number of boxes
 $= 50b$

5. The teacher distributes 5 pencils per students. Can you tell how many pencils are needed, given the number of students? (Use s for the number of students.)

Solutions:

Let s be the number of students

Pencils given to each student $= 5$

Total number of pencils = number of pencils given to each student \times number of students

$= 5s$

6. A bird flies 1 kilometer in one minute. Can you express the distance covered by the birds in terms of its flying time in minutes? (Use t for flying time in minutes.)

Solutions:

Let t minutes be the flying times

Distance covered in one minute $= 1$ km

Distance covered in t minutes = Distance covered in one minute \times Flying time

$= 1 \times t$

$= t$ km

7. Radha is drawing a dot Rangoli (a beautiful pattern of lines joining dots) with chalk powder. She has 9 dots in a row. How many dots will her Rangoli have for r rows? How many dots are there if there are 8 rows? If there are 10 rows?

Solutions:

Number of dots in a row $= 9$

Number of rows $= r$

Total number of dots in r rows = Number of dots in a row \times number of rows

$= 9r$

Number of dots in 8 rows $= 8 \times 9$

$= 72$

Number of dots in 10 rows $= 10 \times 9$

$= 90$

8. Leela is Radha's younger sister. Leela is 4 years younger than Radha. Can you write Leela's age in terms of Radha's age? Take Radha's age to be x years.

Solutions:

Let Radha's age be x years

Leela's age = 4 years younger than Radha

= $(x - 4)$ years

9. Mother has made laddus. She gives some laddus to guests and family members; still 5 laddus remain. If the number of laddus mother gave away is l , how many laddus did she make?

Solutions:

Number of laddus mother gave = l

Remaining laddus = 5

Total number of laddus = number of laddus given away by mother + number of laddus remaining

= $(l + 5)$ laddus

10. Oranges are to be transferred from larger boxes into smaller boxes. When a large box is emptied, the oranges from it fill two smaller boxes and still 10 oranges remain outside. If the number of oranges in a small box are taken to be x , what is the number of oranges in the larger box?

Solutions:

Number of oranges in a small box = x

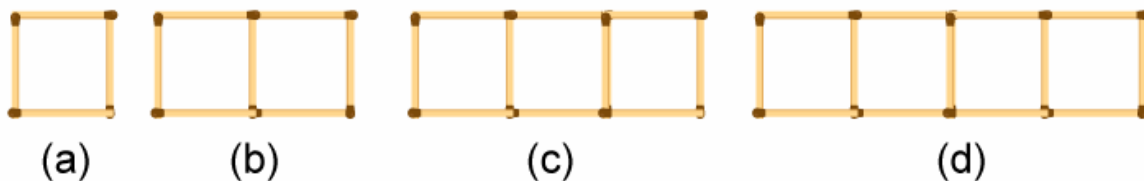
Number of oranges in two small boxes = $2x$

Number of oranges remained = 10

Number of oranges in large box = number of oranges in two small boxes + number of oranges remained

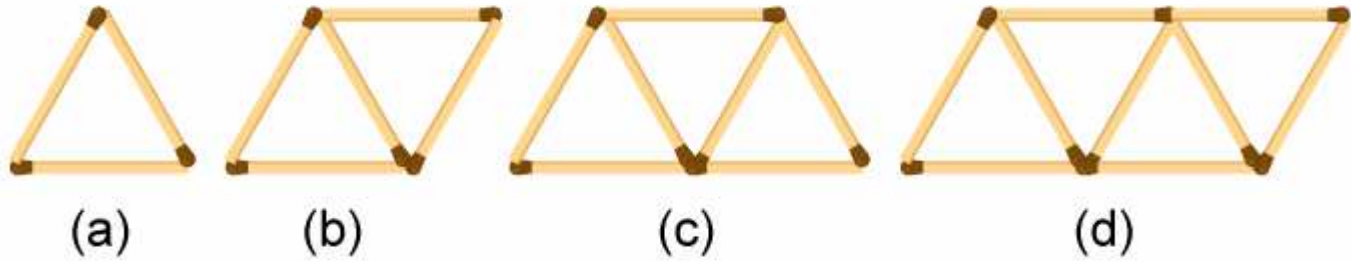
= $2x + 10$

11. (a) Look at the following matchstick pattern of squares (Fig 11.6). The squares are not separate. Two neighbouring squares have a common matchstick. Observe the patterns and find the rule that gives the number of matchsticks



in terms of the number of squares. (Hint: If you remove vertical stick at the end, you will get a pattern of Cs)

(b) Fig 11.7 gives a matchstick pattern of triangles. As in Exercise 11 (a) above, find the general rule that gives the number of matchsticks in terms of the number of triangles.



Solutions:

(a) We may observe that in the given matchstick pattern, the number of matchsticks are 4, 7, 10 and 13, which is 1 more than the thrice of the number of squares in the pattern

Therefore the pattern is $3x + 1$, where x is the number of squares

(b) We may observe that in the given matchstick pattern, the number of matchsticks are 3, 5, 7 and 9 which is 1 more than the twice of the number of triangles in the pattern.

Therefore the pattern is $2x + 1$, where x is the number of triangles.