

CBSE GRADE 6
CHAPTER 1
PATTERNS IN MATHEMATICS

2 Marks

1. Write the next three numbers of the sequence: 1, 3, 6, 10, 15. What is the name of this sequence?

Solution:

STEP 1: First, observe the pattern in the sequence 1, 3, 6, 10, 15.

STEP 2: Now look at how the numbers are increasing;

From 1 to 3, we add 2

From 3 to 6, we add 3

From 6 to 10, we add 4

From 10 to 15, we add 5

STEP 3: Each time, we are adding the next natural number :2, 3, 4, 5...

STEP 4: Now, we have to find the next 3 numbers,

We add $15+6=21$

$21+7=28$

$28+8=36$

We have added the consecutive natural number to each of the value in the sequence.

STEP 5: This pattern is called the “**triangular numbers**”, because each number can form a triangle of dots.

2. Find the sum of the first 5 odd numbers.

Solution:

STEP 1: First, list the first 5 odd numbers: 1,3,5,7,9

STEP 2: Now we have to the odd numbers.

$1+3=4$

$4+5=9$

$9+7=16$

$16+9=25$

STEP 3: The total sum the odd numbers is 25

If odd numbers added like this it forms square numbers.

3. What number comes next in the pattern: 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, ...?

Solution:

STEP 1: First, observe the pattern.

STEP 2: Each number is doubling the previous number.

$1 \times 2 = 2$

$2 \times 2 = 4$