## Online HW 0: Bases

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## Home Base, Part A

Beginning problems about numbers in various bases.

If you haven't already practiced, take an opportunity now.

Geogebra link: https://tube.geogebra.org/m/1529377

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**Problem 1** Note: The "free response" answers are not checked for accuracy. To optimize your learning, we recommend you submit your own answer before revealing the hint.

Complete the following sentence:

To (optimize/minimize) my learning, I plan to ? my own answer (before/after) revealing the ?.

**Problem 2** Explain why the following "joke" is "funny:" There are 10 types of people in the world. Those who understand base two and those who don't.

**Problem 3** You meet some Tripod aliens, they tally by threes. Thankfully for everyone involved, they use the symbols 0, 1, and 2.

- (a) Demonstrate how a Tripod would count, beginning at 11.
- (b) What number comes immediately before 10? ?
- (c) Before 210? ?
- (d) Before 20110? ? Explain your reasoning.

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**Problem 4** You meet some people who tally by sevens. They use the symbols O, A, B, C, D, E, and F, in that order. (Note: Although it is common to use the letters A through F for digits greater than ten, these people are doing something different.)

- (a) What do the individual symbols O, A, B, C, D, E, and F mean? (Note O is not 0.)
- (b) Demonstrate how to count from DD to AOC? (Note: Case matters.)



- (c) What number comes immediately before AO? ?
- (d) Before ABO? ?
- (e) Before EOFFA? ?

**Problem 5** Now, suppose that you meet a hermit who tallies by thirteens. Demonstrate the hermit's counting below.

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8, 9, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ...
18, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?
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