

# Edexcel A Level Maths

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## Unit 1 Core 1

### Chapter 1 Sequence and Series 1

#### Lesson 1 Sequence and Summation

**Question 1** Experience: 10 Order: Level: Question-ID: 26

A sequence is defined by  $a_n = 3n^2 - 4$ , find the value of  $a_2$ .

**Solution 1**

$$a_2 = 3(2)^2 - 4 = 8$$

Choice 1:  $a_2 = -1$  false

Choice 2:  $a_2 = 23$  false

Choice 3:  $a_2 = 5$  false

Choice 4:  $a_2 = 10$  false

Choice 5:  $a_2 = 8$  true

Answer part 1: Label x3 Solution 2222

Answer part 1 hint: sadfs asdfsadf

Answer part 2: Label x4 Solution 3333

Answer part 2 hint: adsfdas asdf

**Question 2** Experience: 25 Order: Level: Question-ID: 30

A sequence is defined by  $x_n = 3n^2 - 5n + 2$ , find the value of  $n$  such that  $x_n = 14$ .

**Solution 2**

$$x_n = 3n^2 - 5n + 2 = 14$$

$$3n^2 - 5n - 12 = 0 \quad S = -5 \quad P = -36$$

$$\left(n + \frac{4}{3}\right)(n - 3) = 0 \quad (4, -9) \quad \left(\frac{4}{3}, -3\right)$$

$$n = 3$$

Choice 1:  $n = 4$  false

Choice 2:  $n = 2$  false

Choice 3:  $n = 5$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 6$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 3$  true

**Question 3** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 27

A sequence is defined by  $x_n = 6n - 3$ , find the value of  $x_3$  and  $x_5$ .

**Solution 3**

$$x_3 = 6(3) - 3 = 15$$

$$x_5 = 6(5) - 3 = 27$$

- Choice 1:  $x_3 = 3$   $x_5 = 15$  false  
Choice 2:  $x_3 = 9$   $x_5 = 21$  false  
Choice 3:  $x_3 = 15$   $x_5 = 21$  false  
Choice 4:  $x_3 = 3$   $x_5 = 21$  false  
Choice 5:  $x_3 = 15$   $x_5 = 27$  true

**Question 4** Experience: 10 Order: Level: Question-ID: 28

A sequence is defined by  $X_n = 2n - 1$ , find the value of  $n$  such that  $a_n = 15$ .

**Solution 4**

$$15 = 2n - 1$$

$$n = 8$$

- Choice 1:  $n = 6$  false  
Choice 2:  $n = 7$  false  
Choice 3:  $n = 3$  false  
Choice 4:  $n = 9$  false  
Choice 5:  $n = 8$  true

**Question 5** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 31

A sequence is defined by  $u_n = an - b$ , find the sum of the first four terms in terms of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Solution 5**

$$u_1 + u_2 + u_3 + u_4 = (a - b) + (2a - b) + (3a - b) + (4a - b) = 10a - 4b$$

- Choice 1:  $10a - 6b$  false  
Choice 2:  $6a - 4b$  false  
Choice 3:  $6a - 6b$  false  
Choice 4:  $10a - 8b$  false  
Choice 5:  $10a - 4b$  true

**Question 6** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 32

A sequence is defined by  $x_n = an^2 - 4$ , find the sum of the first three terms in terms of  $a$ .

**Solution 6**

$$x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = (a - 4) + (4a - 4) + (9a - 4) = 14a - 12$$

- Choice 1:  $14a - 8$  false  
Choice 2:  $5a - 12$  false  
Choice 3:  $5a - 8$  false  
Choice 4:  $5a - 14$  false  
Choice 5:  $14a - 12$  true

**Question 7** Experience: 25 Order: Level: Question-ID: 33

A sequence is defined by  $y_n = an^2 + bn + c$ , find the sum of the first three terms in terms of  $a, b$  and  $c$ .

**Solution 7**

$$y_1 + y_2 + y_3 = (a + b + c) + (4a + 2b + c) + (9a + 3b + c) = 14a + 6b + 3c$$

wrong choice

Choice 1:  $14a - 6b + 3c$  false

Choice 2:  $6a + 6b + 3c$  false

Choice 3:  $6a + 4b + 2c$  false

Choice 4:  $6a + 4b + 3c$  false

Choice 5:  $14a + 6b + 3c$  true

**Question 8** Experience: 10 Order: Level: Question-ID: 34

A sequence is defined by  $x_n = 4n - b$ , find the third term in terms of  $b$ .

**Solution 8**

$$x_3 = 4(3) - b$$

$$x_3 = 12 - b$$

Choice 1:  $x_3 = 12 - 3b$  false

Choice 2:  $x_3 = 6 - b$  false

Choice 3:  $x_3 = 6 - 3b$  false

Choice 4:  $x_3 = 8 - 3b$  false

Choice 5:  $x_3 = 12 - b$  true

**Question 9** Experience: 10 Order: Level: Question-ID: 35

A sequence is defined by  $U_n = \frac{a}{n} + b$ , find the fourth term in terms of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Solution 9**

$$U_4 = \frac{a}{4} + b$$

Choice 1:  $U_4 = \frac{a+b}{4}$  false

Choice 2:  $U_4 = \frac{a}{4} + 4b$  false

Choice 3:  $U_4 = \frac{a}{4} + 2b$  false

Choice 4:  $U_4 = \frac{a}{4} + b$  true

Choice 5:  $U_4 = \frac{a+4b}{8}$  false

**Question 10** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 36

A sequence is defined by  $y_n = \frac{a-3b}{n^2}$ , find the fifth term in terms of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Solution 10**

$$y_5 = \frac{a-3b}{(5)^2}$$

$$y_5 = \frac{a-3b}{25}$$

- Choice 1:  $y_5 = \frac{5a - 3b}{25}$  false
- Choice 2:  $y_5 = \frac{5a - 3b}{16}$  false
- Choice 3:  $y_5 = \frac{a - 3b}{16}$  false
- Choice 4:  $y_5 = \frac{5a - b}{25}$  false
- Choice 5:  $y_5 = \frac{a - 3b}{25}$  true

**Question 11** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 37

A sequence is defined by  $U_n = an + 2b$ , given the Sum of the first four terms is 26 and the fifth term is 9, find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Solution 11**

$$S_4 = (a + 2b) + (2a + 2b) + (3a + 2b) + (4a + 2b)$$

$$S_4 = 10a + 8b \quad S_4 = 26$$

$$10a + 8b = 26$$

$$5a + 4b = 13 \quad (1)$$

$$U_5 = 5a + 2b \quad U_5 = 9$$

$$5a + 2b = 9 \quad (2)$$

$$(1) - (2) \quad 5a + 4b - (5a + 2b) = 13 - 9$$

$$2b = 4$$

$$b = 2$$

$$\text{sub into } (2) \quad 5a + 2(2) = 9$$

$$5a = 5$$

$$a = 1$$

- Choice 1:  $a = 1 \quad b = 3$  false
- Choice 2:  $a = 2 \quad b = 3$  false
- Choice 3:  $a = 2 \quad b = 2$  false
- Choice 4:  $a = 3 \quad b = 2$  false
- Choice 5:  $a = 1 \quad b = 2$  true

**Question 12** Experience: 25 Order: Level: Question-ID: 40

A sequence is defined by  $U_{n+1} = U_n - 4$ ,  $U_1 = 20$ , find the values of  $U_2$ ,  $U_3$  and  $U_4$ .

**Solution 12**

$$U_2 = U_1 - 4 = 20 - 4 = 16$$

$$U_3 = U_2 - 4 = 16 - 4 = 12$$

$$U_4 = U_3 - 4 = 12 - 4 = 8$$

- Choice 1:  $U_2 = 16 \quad U_3 = 12 \quad U_4 = 4$  false
- Choice 2:  $U_2 = 12 \quad U_3 = 8 \quad U_4 = 4$  false
- Choice 3:  $U_2 = 12 \quad U_3 = 4 \quad U_4 = 0$  false

Choice 4:  $U_2 = 16$   $U_3 = 4$   $U_4 = 4$  false

Choice 5:  $U_2 = 16$   $U_3 = 12$   $U_4 = 8$  true

**Question 13** Experience: 25 Order: Level: Question-ID: 41

A sequence is defined by  $X_{n+1} = X_n + 5$ ,  $X_4 = 17$ , find the values of  $X_1$ ,  $X_2$  and  $X_3$ .

**Solution 13**

$$X_4 = X_3 + 5$$

$$17 = X_3 + 5$$

$$X_3 = 12$$

$$X_3 = X_2 + 5$$

$$12 = X_2 + 5$$

$$X_2 = 7$$

$$X_2 = X_1 + 5$$

$$7 = X_1 + 5$$

$$X_1 = 2$$

Choice 1:  $X_1 = 2$   $X_2 = 6$   $X_3 = 12$  false

Choice 2:  $X_1 = 5$   $X_2 = 8$   $X_3 = 11$  false

Choice 3:  $X_1 = 5$   $X_2 = 7$   $X_3 = 9$  false

Choice 4:  $X_1 = 5$   $X_2 = 6$   $X_3 = 10$  false

Choice 5:  $X_1 = 2$   $X_2 = 7$   $X_3 = 12$  true

**Question 14** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 42

A sequence is defined by  $a_{n+1} = (a_n)^2 - 4$ ,  $a_1 = 2$ , find the values of  $a_2$ ,  $a_3$  and  $a_4$ .

**Solution 14**

$$a_2 = (a_1)^2 - 4 = 4 - 4 = 0$$

$$a_3 = (a_2)^2 - 4 = 0 - 4 = -4$$

$$a_4 = (a_3)^2 - 4 = (-4)^2 - 4 = 16 - 4 = 12$$

Choice 1:  $a_2 = 0$   $a_3 = 4$   $a_4 = 12$  false

Choice 2:  $a_2 = 4$   $a_3 = -4$   $a_4 = 8$  false

Choice 3:  $a_2 = 4$   $a_3 = 8$   $a_4 = -8$  false

Choice 4:  $a_2 = 0$   $a_3 = 8$   $a_4 = 12$  false

Choice 5:  $a_2 = 0$   $a_3 = -4$   $a_4 = 12$  true

**Question 15** Experience: 25 Order: Level: Question-ID: 43

A sequence is defined by  $y_{n+2} = 3y_{n+1} - y_n$ ,  $y_1 = 3$ ,  $y_2 = 2$ , find the values of  $y_3$ ,  $y_4$  and  $y_5$ .

**Solution 15**

$$y_3 = 3(y_2) - y_1 = 3(2) - 3 = 3$$

$$y_4 = 3(y_3) - y_2 = 3(3) - 2 = 7$$

$$y_5 = 3(y_4) - y_3 = 3(7) - 3 = 18$$

Choice 1:  $y_3 = 3$   $y_4 = 5$   $y_5 = 18$  false

Choice 2:  $y_3 = 7$   $y_4 = 4$   $y_5 = 5$  false

Choice 3:  $y_3 = 7$   $y_4 = 8$   $y_5 = 5$  false

Choice 4:  $y_3 = 3$   $y_4 = 7$   $y_5 = 5$  false

Choice 5:  $y_3 = 3$   $y_4 = 7$   $y_5 = 18$  true

**Question 16** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 46

Calculate the following sum:

$$\sum_{r=2}^5 (r-1)$$

**Solution 16**

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{r=2}^5 (r-1) &= (2-1) + (3-1) + (4-1) + (5-1) \\ &= 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 \\ &= 10\end{aligned}$$

Choice 1: 9 false

Choice 2: 8 false

Choice 3: 11 false

Choice 4: 12 false

Choice 5: 10 true

**Question 17** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 47

Calculate the following sum:

$$\sum_{r=4}^8 (r^2 - 2r + 1)$$

**Solution 17**

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_{r=4}^8 (r^2 - 2r + 1) \\ &= \sum_{r=4}^8 (r-1)^2 \\ &= (4-1)^2 + (5-1)^2 + (6-1)^2 + (7-1)^2 + (8-1)^2 \\ &= 9 + 16 + 25 + 36 + 49 \\ &= 135\end{aligned}$$

Choice 1: 137 false

Choice 2: 128 false

Choice 3: 130 false

Choice 4: 136 false

Choice 5: 135 true

**Question 18** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 53

Calculate the following sum:

$$\sum_{r=5}^9 U_r \quad U_r = 3r^2 + 4$$

**Solution 18**

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r=5}^9 U_r \\ &= \sum_{r=5}^9 3r^2 + 4 \\ &= (3(5)^2 + 4) + (3(6)^2 + 4) + (3(7)^2 + 4) + (3(8)^2 + 4) + (3(9)^2 + 4) \\ &= 785 \end{aligned}$$

- Choice 1: 795 false  
Choice 2: 790 false  
Choice 3: 780 false  
Choice 4: 800 false  
Choice 5: 785 true

**Question 19** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 52

Calculate the following sum:

$$\sum_{r=1}^3 a_r \quad a_r = 4r - 1$$

**Solution 19**

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r=1}^3 a_r \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^3 4r - 1 \\ &= (4(1) - 1) + (4(2) - 1) + (4(3) - 1) \\ &= 21 \end{aligned}$$

- Choice 1: 22 false  
Choice 2: 19 false  
Choice 3: 20 false  
Choice 4: 18 false  
Choice 5: 21 true

**Question 20** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 54

A sequence is defined by  $U_{n+1} = 3(U_n - 1)$ ,  $U_1 = 2$ , find the following sum:  $\sum_2^4 (U_r + 2)^2$

**Solution 20**

$$U_2 = 3(2 - 1)$$

$$U_2 = 3$$

$$U_3 = 3(3 - 1)$$

$$U_3 = 6$$

$$U_4 = 3(6 - 1)$$

$$U_4 = 15$$

$$\begin{aligned}\sum_2^4 (U_r + 2)^2 &= (U_2 + 2)^2 + (U_3 + 2)^2 + (U_4 + 2)^2 \\ &= (3 + 2)^2 + (6 + 2)^2 + (15 + 2)^2 \\ &= 5^2 + 8^2 + 17^2 \\ &= 378\end{aligned}$$

Choice 1: 380 false

Choice 2: 377 false

Choice 3: 379 false

Choice 4: 381 false

Choice 5: 378 true

**Question 21** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 48

Calculate the following sum:

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 (2r + 4)$$

**Solution 21**

$$\begin{aligned}&\sum_{r=1}^4 (2r + 4) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^4 2(r + 2) \\ &= 2 \sum_{r=1}^4 (r + 2) \\ &= 2[(1 + 2) + (2 + 2) + (3 + 2) + (4 + 2)] \\ &= 2(3 + 4 + 5 + 6) \\ &= 36\end{aligned}$$

Choice 1: 37 false

Choice 2: 35 false

Choice 3: 34 false

Choice 4: 33 false

Choice 5: 36 true



**Question 22**    Experience: 25    Order:    Level:    Question-ID: 50

Calculate the following sum:

$$\sum_{r=3}^6 (r^2 - 1)$$

**Solution 22**

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r=3}^6 (r^2 - 1) \\ &= (3^2 - 1) + (4^2 - 1) + (5^2 - 1) + (6^2 - 1) \\ &= 8 + 15 + 24 + 35 \\ &= 82 \end{aligned}$$

- Choice 1:      81      false  
Choice 2:      80      false  
Choice 3:      83      false  
Choice 4:      84      false  
Choice 5:      82      true

**Question 23**    Experience: 15    Order:    Level:    Question-ID: 51

Calculate the following sum:

$$\sum_{r=1}^{45} 2$$

**Solution 23**

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r=1}^{45} 2 \\ &= 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + 2 + \dots + 2 \\ &= 2 \times 45 \\ &= 90 \end{aligned}$$

- Choice 1:      94      false  
Choice 2:      92      false  
Choice 3:      88      false  
Choice 4:      86      false  
Choice 5:      90      true

**Question 24**    Experience: 15    Order:    Level:    Question-ID: 49

Calculate the following sum:

$$\sum_{r=1}^{100} 5$$

**Solution 24**

$$\begin{aligned} & \sum_{r=1}^{100} 5 \\ &= 5 + 5 + 5 + 5 + 5 + 5 + \dots + 5 \\ &= 5 \times 100 \\ &= 500 \end{aligned}$$

- Choice 1: 495 false  
 Choice 2: 490 false  
 Choice 3: 480 false  
 Choice 4: 500 true  
 Choice 5: 485 false

**Question 25** Experience: 25 Order: Level: Question-ID: 25

A sequence is defined by  $U_n = 2n + 3$ , find the value of  $U_2$ ,  $U_4$  and  $U_5$ .

**Solution 25**

$$U_2 = 2(2) + 3 = 7$$

$$U_4 = 2(4) + 3 = 11$$

$$U_5 = 2(5) + 3 = 13$$

- Choice 1:  $U_2 = 5$   $U_4 = 9$   $U_5 = 11$  false  
 Choice 2:  $U_2 = 7$   $U_4 = 9$   $U_5 = 13$  false  
 Choice 3:  $U_2 = 7$   $U_4 = 10$   $U_5 = 15$  false  
 Choice 4:  $U_2 = 7$   $U_4 = 11$   $U_5 = 13$  true  
 Choice 5:  $U_2 = 5$   $U_4 = 11$   $U_5 = 13$  false

**Question 26** Experience: 25 Order: Level: Question-ID: 29

A sequence is defined by  $u_n = 2n^2 - 5n - 3$ , find the value of  $n$  such that  $u_n = 9$ .

**Solution 26**

$$u_n = 2n^2 - 5n - 3 = 9$$

$$2n^2 - 5n - 12 = 0 \quad S = -5 \quad P = -24$$

$$\left(n + \frac{3}{2}\right)(n - 4) = 0 \quad (3, -8) \quad \left(\frac{3}{2}, -4\right)$$

$$n = 4$$

- Choice 1:  $n = 5$  false  
 Choice 2:  $n = 2$  false  
 Choice 3:  $n = 3$  false  
 Choice 4:  $n = 6$  false  
 Choice 5:  $n = 4$  true

**Question 27** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 39

A sequence is defined by  $a_n = an^2 + b$ , given the Sum of the first five terms is  $-5$  and the sixth term is 4, find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Solution 27**

$$S_5 = (a + b) + (4a + b) + (9a + b) + (16a + b)$$

$$S_5 = 30a + 5b \quad S_5 = -5$$

$$30a + 5b = -5$$

$$6a + b = -1 \quad (1)$$

$$a_6 = 25a + b \quad a_6 = 4$$

$$36a + b = 4 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad 36a + b - (6a + b) = 4 - (-1)$$

$$30a = 5$$

$$a = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\text{sub into (1)} \quad 6 \left( \frac{1}{6} \right) + b = -1$$

$$b = -2$$

$$\text{Choice 1: } a = \frac{1}{6} \quad b = 2 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 2: } a = 1 \quad b = -2 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 3: } a = 1 \quad b = \frac{2}{1} \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 4: } a = 2 \quad b = \frac{1}{6} \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 5: } a = \frac{1}{6} \quad b = -2 \quad \text{true}$$

## Lesson 2 Arithmetic Sequence 1

**Question 1** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 114

Evaluate  $\sum_{r=1}^{15} (5r + 2)$

**Solution 1**

$$\sum_{r=1}^{15} (5r + 2) = 7 + 12 + 17 + 22 + \dots + 77$$

$$a = 7 \quad l = 77 \quad n = 15$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{15} (5r + 2) = \frac{15}{2} (7 + 77)$$

$$= 630$$

$$\text{Choice 1: } \sum_{r=1}^{15} (5r + 2) = 625 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 2: } \sum_{r=1}^{15} (5r + 2) = 620 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 3: } \sum_{r=1}^{15} (5r + 2) = 615 \quad \text{false}$$

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=1}^{15} (5r + 2) = 635$  false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=1}^{15} (5r + 2) = 630$  true

**Question 2** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 100

How many terms are there in the arithmetic sequence 19,21,23,...,87

**Solution 2**

$$a = 19 \quad d = 2$$

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$87 = 19 + (n - 1)2$$

$$n - 1 = 34$$

$$n = 35$$

Choice 1:  $n = 38$  false

Choice 2:  $n = 37$  false

Choice 3:  $n = 36$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 34$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 35$  true

**Question 3** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 101

How many terms are there in the arithmetic sequence 21,26,31,...,256

**Solution 3**

$$a = 21 \quad d = 5$$

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$256 = 21 + (n - 1)5$$

$$n - 1 = 47$$

$$n = 48$$

Choice 1:  $n = 51$  false

Choice 2:  $n = 47$  false

Choice 3:  $n = 50$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 49$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 48$  true

**Question 4** Experience: 35 Order: Level: Question-ID: 102

How many terms are there in the arithmetic sequence 88,86,84,...,22

Reverse the order of the sequence 22,24,26,28...88

**Solution 4**

$$a = 88 \quad d = 2$$

Choice 1:  $U_n = a + (n - 1)d$  false

Choice 2:  $88 = 22 + (n - 1)2$  false

Choice 3:  $n = 32$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 33$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 34$  true

**Question 5**    Experience: 30    Order:    Level:    Question-ID: 103

Evaluate  $S = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 50$

**Solution 5**

$$S = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 50$$

$$S = 50 + 49 + 48 + 47 + \dots + 1$$

$$2S = 51 \times 50$$

$$S = \frac{51 \times 50}{2}$$

$$S = 1275$$

Choice 1:     $S = 1270$     false

Choice 2:     $S = 1280$     false

Choice 3:     $S = 1285$     false

Choice 4:     $S = 1290$     false

Choice 5:     $S = 1275$     true

**Question 6**    Experience: 30    Order:    Level:    Question-ID: 104

Evaluate  $T = 2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + \dots + 100$

**Solution 6**

$$T = 2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + \dots + 100$$

$$T = 100 + 98 + 96 + 94 + \dots + 2$$

$$2T = 102 \times 50$$

$$T = \frac{102 \times 50}{2}$$

$$T = 2550$$

Choice 1:     $T = 2565$     false

Choice 2:     $T = 2560$     false

Choice 3:     $T = 2555$     false

Choice 4:     $T = 2545$     false

Choice 5:     $T = 2550$     true

**Question 7**    Experience: 30    Order:    Level:    Question-ID: 105

Evaluate  $R = 1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + \dots + 99$

**Solution 7**

$$R = 1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + \dots + 99$$

$$R = 99 + 97 + 95 + 93 + \dots + 1$$

$$2R = 100 \times 100$$

$$R = \frac{100 \times 100}{2}$$

$$R = 5000$$

Choice 1:     $R = 5015$     false

Choice 2:     $R = 5010$     false

- Choice 3:  $R = 5005$  false  
 Choice 4:  $R = 4995$  false  
 Choice 5:  $R = 5000$  true

**Question 8** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 106

Evaluate  $S = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 200$

**Solution 8**

$$S = 1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 200$$

$$S = 200 + 199 + 198 + 197 + \dots + 1$$

$$2S = 201 \times 200$$

$$S = \frac{201 \times 200}{2}$$

$$S = 20100$$

- Choice 1:  $S = 20115$  false  
 Choice 2:  $S = 20110$  false  
 Choice 3:  $S = 20105$  false  
 Choice 4:  $S = 20095$  false  
 Choice 5:  $S = 20100$  true

**Question 9** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 107

Evaluate  $T = 102 + 104 + 106 + 108 + \dots + 200$

**Solution 9**

$$T = 102 + 104 + 106 + 108 + \dots + 200$$

$$T = 200 + 198 + 196 + 194 + \dots + 102$$

$$2T = 302 \times 50$$

$$T = \frac{302 \times 50}{2}$$

$$T = 7550$$

- Choice 1:  $T = 7565$  false  
 Choice 2:  $T = 7560$  false  
 Choice 3:  $T = 7555$  false  
 Choice 4:  $T = 7545$  false  
 Choice 5:  $T = 7550$  true

**Question 10** Experience: 40 Order: Level: Question-ID: 109

Find the sum of all numbers divisible by 5 between 1 and 300

**Solution 10**

$$300 \div 5 = 60$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{last term} = 300$$

$$S = 5 + 10 + 15 + \dots + 300$$

$$a = 5 \quad d = 5 \quad U_n = 300$$

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$300 = 5 + (n - 1)5$$

$$n = 60$$

$$S = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$$

$$S = \frac{60}{2}(5 + 300)$$

$$\text{Choice 1: } S = 9165 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 2: } S = 9160 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 3: } S = 9155 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 4: } S = 9145 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 5: } S = 9150 \quad \text{true}$$

**Question 11** Experience: 40 Order: Level: Question-ID: 110

Find the sum of all numbers divisible by 7 between 1 and 200

**Solution 11**

$$200 \div 7 = 28 \text{ remainder } 4$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{last term} = 7 \times 28 = 196$$

$$S = 7 + 14 + 21 + \dots + 196$$

$$a = 7 \quad d = 7 \quad U_n = 196$$

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$\text{Choice 1: } S = 2867 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 2: } S = 2856 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 3: } S = 2849 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 4: } S = 2835 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 5: } S = 2842 \quad \text{true}$$

$$S = \frac{28}{2}(7 + 196)$$

**Question 12** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 111

Evaluate  $S = 27 + 31 + 35 + 39 + \dots + 107$

**Solution 12**

$$S = 27 + 31 + 35 + 39 + \dots + 107$$

$$a = 27 \quad d = 4 \quad U_n = 107$$

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$\text{Choice 1: } S = 1414 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 2: } S = 1386 \quad \text{false}$$

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$$S = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$$

$$S = \frac{21}{2}(27 + 107)$$

- Choice 3:  $S = 1393$  false  
 Choice 4:  $S = 1400$  false  
 Choice 5:  $S = 1407$  true

**Question 13** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 112

Evaluate  $T = 31 + 33 + 35 + 37 + \dots + 81$

**Solution 13**

$$T = 31 + 33 + 35 + 37 + \dots + 81$$

$$a = 31 \quad d = 2 \quad U_n = 81$$

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$81 = 31 + (n - 1)2$$

$$n = 26 \quad S = 1460 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 3: } S = 1458 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 4: } S = 1454 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 5: } S = 1456 \quad \text{true}$$

$$S = \frac{26}{2}(31 + 81)$$

**Question 14** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 113

Evaluate  $R = 97 + 92 + 87 + 82 + \dots + 22$

Reverse the sequence:  $R = 22 + 27 + 32 + 27 + \dots + 97$

**Solution 14**

$$R = 22 + 27 + 32 + 27 + \dots + 97$$

$$a = 22 \quad d = 5 \quad U_n = 97$$

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$97 = 22 + (n - 1)5$$

$$n = 16$$

$$S = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$$

$$S = \frac{16}{2}(22 + 97)$$

$$S = 952$$

- Choice 1:  $S = 950$  false  
 Choice 2:  $S = 954$  false  
 Choice 3:  $S = 948$  false  
 Choice 4:  $S = 950$  false  
 Choice 5:  $S = 952$  true

**Question 15** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 115

Evaluate  $\sum_{r=9}^{35} (3r - 1)$

**Solution 15**



$$\sum_{r=9}^{35} (3r - 1) = 26 + 29 + 32 + 35 + \dots + 104$$

$$a = 26 \quad l = 104 \quad n = 27$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=9}^{35} (3r - 1) &= \frac{27}{2}(26 + 104) \\ &= 1755 \end{aligned}$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=9}^{35} (3r - 1) = 1760$     false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=9}^{35} (3r - 1) = 1740$     false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=9}^{35} (3r - 1) = 1745$     false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=9}^{35} (3r - 1) = 1750$     false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=9}^{35} (3r - 1) = 1755$     true

**Question 16**    Experience: 30    Order:    Level:    Question-ID: 116

Evaluate  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r - 1)$

**Solution 16**

$$\sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r - 1) = 2 + 5 + 8 + 11 + \dots + 59$$

$$a = 2 \quad l = 59 \quad n = 20$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r - 1) &= \frac{20}{2}(2 + 59) \\ &= 610 \end{aligned}$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r - 1) = 625$     false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r - 1) = 605$     false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r - 1) = 615$     false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r - 1) = 620$     false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} (3r - 1) = 610$     true

**Question 17**    Experience: 30    Order:    Level:    Question-ID: 117

Evaluate  $\sum_{r=21}^{45} (2r - 25)$

**Solution 17**

$$\sum_{r=21}^{45} (2r - 25) = 17 + 19 + 21 + 23 + \dots + 65$$

$$a = 17 \quad l = 65 \quad n = 25$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{r=21}^{45} (2r - 25) &= \frac{25}{2}(17 + 65) \\ &= 1025 \end{aligned}$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=21}^{45} (2r - 25) = 1020$       false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=21}^{45} (2r - 25) = 1015$       false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=21}^{45} (2r - 25) = 1010$       false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=21}^{45} (2r - 25) = 1030$       false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=21}^{45} (2r - 25) = 1025$       true

**Question 18**      Experience: 20      Order:      Level:      Question-ID: 84

The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are 3,5,7, find  $U_{10}$

**Solution 18**

$$a = 3 \quad n = 10 \quad d = 5 - 3 = 2$$

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_{10} = 3 + (10 - 1)2 = 21$$

Choice 1:  $U_{10} = 20$       false

Choice 2:  $U_{10} = 17$       false

Choice 3:  $U_{10} = 18$       false

Choice 4:  $U_{10} = 19$       false

Choice 5:  $U_{10} = 21$       true

**Question 19**      Experience: 20      Order:      Level:      Question-ID: 85

The first four terms of an arithmetic sequence are 5,9,13,17, find  $A_7$

**Solution 19**

$$a = 5 \quad n = 7 \quad d = 9 - 5 = 4$$

$$A_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$A_7 = 5 + (7 - 1)4 = 29$$

Choice 1:  $A_7 = 28$       false

Choice 2:  $A_7 = 27$       false

Choice 3:  $A_7 = 30$       false

Choice 4:  $A_7 = 26$  false

Choice 5:  $A_7 = 29$  true

**Question 20** Experience: 20 Order: Level: Question-ID: 89

The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are 22,19,16, find  $X_6$

**Solution 20**

$$a = 22 \quad n = 6 \quad d = 22 - 19 = 3$$

$$X_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$X_7 = 22 + (6 - 1)3 = 37$$

Choice 1:  $A_7 = 28$  false

Choice 2:  $A_7 = 27$  false

Choice 3:  $A_7 = 30$  false

Choice 4:  $A_7 = 26$  false

Choice 5:  $A_7 = 29$  true

**Question 21** Experience: 40 Order: Level: Question-ID: 90

$a_n$  is an arithmetic sequence, given that  $a_3 = 13$  and  $a_6 = 19$ , find  $a_{11}$

**Solution 21**

$$a_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$a_3 = a + (3 - 1)d = a + 2d = 13 \quad (1)$$

$$a_6 = a + (6 - 1)d = a + 5d = 19 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad a + 5d - (a + 2d) = 19 - 13$$

$$3d = 6$$

$$d = 2$$

$$\text{Sub into(1)} \quad a + 2(2) = 13$$

$$a = 9$$

$$a_{11} = 9 + (11 - 1)2 = 29$$

Choice 1:  $a_{11} = 25$  false

Choice 2:  $a_{11} = 26$  false

Choice 3:  $a_{11} = 27$  false

Choice 4:  $a_{11} = 28$  false

Choice 5:  $a_{11} = 29$  true

**Question 22** Experience: 40 Order: Level: Question-ID: 91

$U_n$  is an arithmetic sequence, given that  $U_4 = 25$  and  $U_9 = 40$ , find  $U_{13}$

**Solution 22**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_4 = a + (4 - 1)d = a + 3d = 25 \quad (1)$$

$$U_9 = a + (9 - 1)d = a + 8d = 40 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad a + 8d - (a + 3d) = 40 - 25$$

$$5d = 15$$

$$d = 3$$

$$\text{Sub into(1)} \quad a + 3(3) = 25$$

$$a = 16$$

Choice 1:  $U_{13} = 51$  false  $U_{13} = 16 + (13 - 1)3 = 52$

Choice 2:  $U_{13} = 50$  false

Choice 3:  $U_{13} = 49$  false

Choice 4:  $U_{13} = 53$  false

Choice 5:  $U_{13} = 52$  true

**Question 23** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 96

$X_n$  is an arithmetic sequence, given that  $X_{13} = 51$  and  $X_{19} = 33$ , find  $X_{10}$

**Solution 23**

$$X_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$X_{13} = a + (13 - 1)d = a + 12d = 51 \quad (1)$$

$$X_{19} = a + (19 - 1)d = a + 18d = 33 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad a + 18d - (a + 12d) = 33 - 51$$

$$6d = -18$$

$$d = -3$$

$$\text{Sub into(1)} \quad a + 12(-3) = 51$$

$$a = 87$$

Choice 1:  $X_{10} = 63$  false  $X_{10} = 87 + (10 - 1)(-3) = 60$

Choice 2:  $X_{10} = 62$  false

Choice 3:  $X_{10} = 61$  false

Choice 4:  $X_{10} = 59$  false

Choice 5:  $X_{10} = 60$  true

**Question 24** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 97

$u_n$  is an arithmetic sequence, given that  $u_3 = 5$  and  $u_7 = 13$ , for what value of  $n$  is  $a_n = 71$

**Solution 24**

$$u_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$u_3 = a + (3 - 1)d = a + 2d = 5 \quad (1)$$

$$u_7 = a + (7 - 1)d = a + 6d = 13 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad a + 6d - (a + 2d) = 13 - 5$$

$$4d = 8$$

$$d = 2$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad a + 2(2) = 5$$

$$a = 1$$

$$u_n = 1 + (n - 1)2 = 71$$

Choice 1:  $n = 35$  false  $n = 35$

Choice 2:  $n = 32$  false  $n = 36$

Choice 3:  $n = 33$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 34$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 36$  true

**Question 25** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 98

The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are 11,14,17, find a  $n$  for which  $U_n = 83$

**Solution 25**

$$u_n = 83 \quad a = 11 \quad d = 3$$

$$u_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$83 = 11 + (n - 1)3$$

$$n - 1 = 24$$

$$n = 25$$

Choice 1:  $n = 24$  false

Choice 2:  $n = 23$  false

Choice 3:  $n = 22$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 26$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 25$  true

**Question 26** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 99

$Y_n$  is an arithmetic sequence, given that  $Y_{15} = 51$  and  $X_{19} = 71$ , find  $Y_{26}$

**Solution 26**

$$Y_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$Y_{15} = a + (15 - 1)d = a + 14d = 51 \quad (1)$$

$$Y_{19} = a + (19 - 1)d = a + 18d = 71 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad a + 18d - (a + 14d) = 71 - 51$$

$$4d = 20$$

$$d = 5$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad a + 14(5) = 51$$

$$a = -19$$

$$\text{Choice 1:} \quad Y_{26} = 102 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 2:} \quad Y_{26} = 103 \quad \text{false} \quad Y_{26} = -19 + (26 - 1)5 = 106$$

$$\text{Choice 3:} \quad Y_{26} = 104 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 4:} \quad Y_{26} = 105 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 5:} \quad Y_{26} = 106 \quad \text{true}$$

**Question 27** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 147

Kendrick decides to open up a savings account. He puts in €100 for the first month, €120 for the second month and an extra €20 for subsequent months till he's putting in €300 a month. Find the total amount he's saved in 2 years.

Sequence goes: 100,120,140,160,180,200...300,300,300,300...

**Solution 27**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_n = 300 \quad a = 100 \quad d = 20$$

$$300 = 100 + (n - 1)20$$

$$n = 11$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$$

$$n = 11 \quad a = 100 \quad l = 300$$

$$S_{11} = \frac{11}{2}(100 + 300)$$

$$S_{11} = 2200$$

Every term after is 300

$$\sum_{r=12}^{24} 300 = 13 \times 300$$

$$= 3900$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Total days} = 2200 + 3900 = 6100$$

$$\text{Choice 1:} \quad 6105 \quad \text{false}$$

$$\text{Choice 2:} \quad 6085 \quad \text{false}$$

- Choice 3: 6090 false  
 Choice 4: 6095 false  
 Choice 5: 6100 true

**Question 28** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 144

Avery is playing with 340 sticks, she puts them in rows. The first row has 7 sticks, next row has 13 sticks, subsequent rows have 6 more sticks than the previous row. She has enough for  $k$  rows but not enough for  $k + 1$  rows. Find  $k$ .

Sequence goes: 7,13,19,25,31,37....

**Solution 28**

Not having enough for  $k+1$  rows means that  $S_k \leq 340$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_k = \frac{k}{2}(2(7) + (k-1)6)$$

$$S_k = k(7 + 3(k-1))$$

$$S_k = k(3k + 4)$$

$$S_k = 3k^2 + 4k \quad (1)$$

$$S_k \leq 340$$

$$(1) \quad 3k^2 + 4k \leq 340$$

$$3k^2 + 4k - 340 \leq 0 \quad P = -1020 \quad S = 4$$

Choice 1:  $k = 9$  false

Choice 2:  $k = \frac{34}{3}$  false  $(34, -30) \quad \left(\frac{34}{3}, -10\right)$

Choice 3:  $k = 7$  false

Choice 4:  $k = 8$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 10$  true

**Question 29** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 146

Griffin is training daily for a cycling marathon in 100 days. He cycles 10km on the first day, 11km on the second day and 1 more km than the previous day till he's cycling 40km a day. Calculate the total number of km he's cycled as training for the marathon.

Sequence goes: 10,11,12,13,14,15...40,40,40,40...

**Solution 29**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_n = 40 \quad a = 10 \quad d = 1$$

$$40 = 10 + (n - 1)1$$

$$n = 31$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$$

$$n = 31 \quad a = 10 \quad l = 40$$

$$S_{31} = \frac{31}{2}(10 + 40)$$

$$S_{31} = 775$$

Every term after is 40

$$\sum_{r=32}^{100} 40 = 69 \times 40$$

$$= 2760$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Total days} = 775 + 2760 = 3535$$

- Choice 1: 3540 false  
 Choice 2: 3520 false  
 Choice 3: 3525 false  
 Choice 4: 3530 false  
 Choice 5: 3535 true

**Question 30** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 145

Heidi is training daily for a swimming competition in 60 days. She swims 10 laps on the first day, 12 laps on the second day and 2 more laps than the previous day till she's swimming 30 laps a day. Calculate the total number of laps she's swum as training for the competition.

Sequence goes: 10,12,14,16,18,20...30,30,30,30...

**Solution 30**



$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_n = 30 \quad a = 10 \quad d = 2$$

$$30 = 10 + (n - 1)2$$

$$n = 11$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$$

$$n = 11 \quad a = 10 \quad l = 30$$

$$S_{11} = \frac{11}{2}(10 + 30)$$

$$S_{11} = 220$$

Every term after is 30

$$\sum_{r=12}^{60} 30 = 49 \times 30$$

$$= 1470$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{Total days} = 220 + 1470 = 1690$$

Choice 1: 1685 false

Choice 2: 1705 false

Choice 3: 1700 false

Choice 4: 1695 false

Choice 5: 1690 true

**Question 31** Experience: 40 Order: Level: Question-ID: 108

Find the sum of all numbers divisible by 3 between 2 and 200

**Solution 31**

$$200 \div 3 = 66 \text{ remainder } 2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{last term} = 3 \times 66 = 198$$

$$S = 3 + 6 + 9 + \dots + 198$$

$$a = 3 \quad d = 3 \quad U_n = 198$$

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$198 = 3 + (n - 1)3$$

$$n = 66$$

$$S = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$$

$$S = \frac{66}{2}(3 + 198)$$

$$S = 6633$$

- Choice 1:  $S = 6642$  false  
 Choice 2:  $S = 6639$  false  
 Choice 3:  $S = 6636$  false  
 Choice 4:  $S = 6630$  false  
 Choice 5:  $S = 6633$  true

**Question 32** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 143

James is playing with 324 sticks, she puts them in rows. The first row has 5 sticks, next row has 9 sticks, subsequent rows have 4 more sticks than the previous row. She has enough for  $k$  rows but not enough for  $k + 1$  rows. Find  $k$ .

Sequence goes: 5,9,13,17,21,25....

**Solution 32**

Not having enough for  $k+1$  rows means that  $S_k \leq 324$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_k = \frac{k}{2}(2(5) + (k-1)4)$$

$$S_k = k(5 + 2k - 2)$$

$$S_k = k(2k + 3)$$

$$S_k = 2k^2 + 3k \quad (1)$$

$$S_k \leq 324$$

$$(1) \quad 2k^2 + 3k \leq 324$$

$$2k^2 + 3k - 324 \leq 0 \quad P = -648 \quad S = 3$$

$$\left(k + \frac{27}{2}\right)(k - 12) \leq 0 \quad (27, -24) \quad \left(\frac{27}{2}, -12\right)$$

$$k = 12$$

- Choice 1:  $k = 11$  false  
 Choice 2:  $k = 15$  false  
 Choice 3:  $k = 14$  false  
 Choice 4:  $k = 13$  false  
 Choice 5:  $k = 12$  true

### Lesson 3 Recurrence Relations

**Question 1** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 57

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $X_{n+1} = \sqrt{k}X_n - 2$ ,  $X_1 = 2$ ,  $k > 0$ , given that  $X_3 = 2$  find the value of  $k$ .

**Solution 1**

$$X_2 = \sqrt{k}X_1 - 2$$

$$X_2 = 2\sqrt{k} - 2$$

$$X_3 = \sqrt{k}X_2 - 2$$

$$X_3 = \sqrt{k}(2\sqrt{k} - 2) - 2$$

$$X_3 = 2k - 2\sqrt{k} - 2 \quad \text{set } x = \sqrt{k}$$

$$X_3 = 2x^2 - 2x - 2 \quad X_3 = 2$$

$$2 = 2x^2 - 2x - 2$$

$$1 = x^2 - x - 1$$

$$0 = x^2 - x - 2 \quad S = -1 \quad P = -2$$

$$0 = (x - 2)(x + 1) \quad (-2, 1)$$

$$\sqrt{k} = 2$$

$$k = 4$$

Choice 1:  $k = 5$  false

Choice 2:  $k = 3$  false

Choice 3:  $k = 6$  false

Choice 4:  $k = 7$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 4$  true

**Question 2** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 58

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $U_{n+1} = aU_n + \frac{1}{b}$ ,  $U_1 = 3$ , given that  $U_2 = 7$  and  $U_3 = 15$  find the value of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Solution 2**

$$U_2 = aU_1 + \frac{1}{b} \quad U_2 = 7$$

$$7 = 3a + \frac{1}{b} \quad (1)$$

$$U_3 = aU_2 + \frac{1}{b} \quad U_2 = 7, U_3 = 15$$

$$15 = 7a + \frac{1}{b} \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad 15 - 7 = 7a + \frac{1}{b} - \left(3a + \frac{1}{b}\right)$$

$$8 = 4a$$

$$a = 2$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad 7 = 3(2) + \frac{1}{b}$$

$$\frac{1}{b} = 1$$

$$b = 1$$

- Choice 1:  $a = 2$   $b = 3$  false  
 Choice 2:  $a = 3$   $b = 3$  false  
 Choice 3:  $a = 3$   $b = 1$  false  
 Choice 4:  $a = 1$   $b = 1$  false  
 Choice 5:  $a = 2$   $b = 1$  true

**Question 3** Experience: 70 Order: Level: Question-ID: 63

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $a_{n+1} = ka_n - 4, k > 0, a_1 = 5$ , given that  $\sum_{r=1}^3 a_r = 19$ , find the value of  $k$ .

**Solution 3**

$$a_2 = ka_1 - 4$$

$$a_2 = 5k - 4$$

$$a_3 = ka_2 - 4$$

$$a_3 = k(5k - 4) - 4$$

$$a_3 = 5k^2 - 4k - 4$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^3 a_r = a_1 + a_2 + a_3$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^3 a_r = (5) + (5k - 4) + (5k^2 - 4k - 4)$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^3 a_r = 5k^2 + k - 3 \quad \sum_{r=1}^3 a_r = 19$$

$$19 = 5k^2 + k - 3$$

$$0 = 5k^2 + k - 22 \quad S = 1 \quad P = -110$$

$$0 = \left(k + \frac{11}{5}\right)(k - 2) \quad (11, -10) \Rightarrow \left(\frac{11}{5}, -2\right)$$

$$k = 2$$

- Choice 1:  $k = 3$  false  
 Choice 2:  $k = 4$  false  
 Choice 3:  $k = 1$  false  
 Choice 4:  $k = 5$  false  
 Choice 5:  $k = 2$  true

**Question 4** Experience: 60 Order: Level: Question-ID: 64

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $U_{n+1} = 5U_n - \frac{1}{k}, k > 0, U_1 = 2$ , given that  $\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 293$ , find the value of  $k$ .

**Solution 4**

$$U_2 = 5U_1 - \frac{1}{k}$$

$$U_2 = 5(2) - \frac{1}{k}$$

$$U_2 = 10 - \frac{1}{k}$$

$$U_3 = 5U_2 - \frac{1}{k}$$

$$U_3 = 5 \left( 10 - \frac{1}{k} \right) - \frac{1}{k}$$

$$U_3 = 50 - \frac{6}{k}$$

$$U_4 = 5U_3 - \frac{1}{k}$$

$$U_4 = 5 \left( 50 - \frac{6}{k} \right) - \frac{1}{k}$$

$$U_4 = 250 - \frac{31}{k}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = U_1 + U_2 + U_3 + U_4$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = (2) + \left( 10 - \frac{1}{k} \right) + \left( 50 - \frac{6}{k} \right) + \left( 250 - \frac{31}{k} \right)$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 312 - \frac{38}{k} \quad \sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 293$$

$$312 - \frac{38}{k} = 293$$

$$19 = \frac{38}{k}$$

$$k = 2$$

Choice 1:  $k = 5$  false

Choice 2:  $k = 4$  false

Choice 3:  $k = 3$  false

Choice 4:  $k = 1$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 2$  false

**Question 5** Experience: 100 Order: Level: Question-ID: 65

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $X_{n+1} = \frac{k}{X_n} + 3$ ,  $X_1 = 1$ , given that  $2 \sum_{r=1}^3 X_r = 21$ , find the value of  $k$ .

**Solution 5**

$$X_2 = \frac{k}{X_1} + 3$$

$$X_2 = \frac{k}{1} + 3$$

$$X_2 = k + 3$$

$$X_3 = \frac{k}{X_2} + 3$$

$$X_3 = \frac{k}{k+3} + 3$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^3 X_r = X_1 + X_2 + X_3$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^3 X_r = (1) + (k+3) + \left( \frac{k}{k+3} + 3 \right)$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^3 X_r = k+7 + \frac{k}{k+3} \quad 2 \sum_{r=1}^3 X_r = 21$$

$$21 = 2 \left( k+7 + \frac{k}{k+3} \right)$$

$$21 = 2k + 14 + \frac{2k}{k+3}$$

$$7 = 2k + \frac{2k}{k+3}$$

$$7(k+3) = 2k(k+3) + 2k$$

$$7k + 21 = 2k^2 + 6k + 2k$$

$$0 = 2k^2 - k - 21 \quad S = -1 \quad P = -42$$

$$0 = \left( k + \frac{7}{2} \right) (k - 3) \quad (7, -6) \Rightarrow \left( \frac{7}{2}, -3 \right)$$

$$k = 3$$

Choice 1:  $k = 5$  false

Choice 2:  $k = 2$  false

Choice 3:  $k = 4$  false

Choice 4:  $k = 1$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 3$  true

**Question 6** Experience: 35 Order: Level: Question-ID: 66

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $a_{n+1} = a_n^2 - a_n$ , given that  $a_n$  is a positive sequence and that  $a_3 = 132$  find the value of  $a_1$ .

**Solution 6**

$$a_3 = a_2^2 - a_2$$

$$132 = a_2^2 - a_2$$

$$0 = a_2^2 - a_2 - 132 \quad S = 1 \quad P = -132$$

$$0 = (a_2 + 11)(a_2 - 12) \quad (11, -12)$$

$$a_2 = 12$$

$$a_2 = a_1^2 - a_1$$

$$12 = a_1^2 - a_1$$

$$0 = a_1^2 - a_1 - 12$$

$$0 = (a_1 - 4)(a_1 + 3)$$

$$a_1 = 4$$

Choice 1:  $a_1 = 6$  false

Choice 2:  $a_1 = 5$  false

Choice 3:  $a_1 = 3$  false

Choice 4:  $a_1 = 7$  false

Choice 5:  $a_1 = 4$  true

**Question 7** Experience: 35 Order: Level: Question-ID: 67

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $U_{n+1} = 5U_n - \frac{6}{U_n}$ , given that  $U_3 = 13$ ,  $U_2 > 0$ , find the value of  $U_2$ .

**Solution 7**

$$U_3 = 5U_2 - \frac{6}{U_2}$$

$$13 = 5U_2 - \frac{6}{U_2}$$

$$0 = 5U_2 - 13 - \frac{6}{U_2}$$

$$0 = 5(U_2)^2 - 13U_2 - 6 \quad S = -13 \quad P = -30$$

$$0 = \left(U_2 + \frac{2}{5}\right)(U_2 - 3) \quad (2, -15) \quad \left(\frac{2}{5}, -3\right)$$

$$U_2 = 3$$

Choice 1:  $U_2 = 4$  false

Choice 2:  $U_2 = 5$  false

Choice 3:  $U_2 = 2$  false

Choice 4:  $U_2 = 1$  false

Choice 5:  $U_2 = 3$  true

**Question 8** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 68

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $Y_{n+1} = 3Y_n - 5$ , given that  $Y_3 = 7$ , find the value of  $Y_1$ .

**Solution 8**

$$Y_3 = 3Y_2 - 5$$

$$7 = 3Y_2 - 5$$

$$Y_2 = 4$$

$$Y_2 = 3Y_1 - 5$$

$$4 = 3Y_1 - 5$$

$$Y_1 = 3$$

Choice 1:  $Y_1 = 5$  false

Choice 2:  $Y_1 = 4$  false

Choice 3:  $Y_1 = 1$  false

Choice 4:  $Y_1 = 2$  false

Choice 5:  $Y_1 = 3$  true

**Question 9** Experience: 40 Order: Level: Question-ID: 69

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $a_{n+1} = a_n - \frac{2a_n + 6}{a_n + 3}$ , given that  $a_2 = 5$ , find the value of  $a_1$ .

**Solution 9**

$$a_2 = a_1 - \frac{2a_1 + 6}{a_1 + 3}$$

$$5 = a_1 - \frac{2a_1 + 6}{a_1 + 3}$$

$$5(a_1 + 3) = a_1(a_1 + 3) - (2a_1 + 6)$$

$$5a_1 + 15 = (a_1)^2 + 3a_1 - 2a_1 - 6$$

$$0 = (a_1)^2 - 4a_1 - 21 \quad S = -4 \quad P = -21$$

$$0 = (a_1 + 3)(a_1 - 7) \quad (3, -7)$$

$$a_1 = 7$$

Choice 1:  $a_1 = 8$  false

Choice 2:  $a_1 = 4$  false

Choice 3:  $a_1 = 5$  false

Choice 4:  $a_1 = 6$  false

Choice 5:  $a_1 = 7$  true

**Question 10** Experience: 25 Order: Level: Question-ID: 70

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $X_{n+1} = 3(X_n)^2 - 11$ , given that  $X_1 = 2$ , find  $\sum_{r=1}^4 X_r$ .

**Solution 10**



$$X_2 = 3(X_1)^2 - 11$$

$$X_2 = 3(2)^2 - 11$$

$$X_2 = 1$$

$$X_3 = 3(X_2)^2 - 11$$

$$X_3 = 3(1)^2 - 11$$

$$X_3 = -8$$

$$X_4 = 3(X_3)^2 - 11$$

$$X_4 = 3(-8)^2 - 11$$

$$X_4 = 181$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 X_r = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 X_r = (2) + (1) + (-8) + (181)$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 X_r = 176$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 X_r = 173$       false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 X_r = 170$       false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 X_r = 177$       false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 X_r = 172$       false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 X_r = 176$       true

**Question 11**      Experience: 25      Order:      Level:      Question-ID: 71

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $U_{n+2} = 3U_{n+1} - U_n + 5$ , given that  $U_1 = 4$ ,  $U_2 = 2$ , find  $\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r$ .

**Solution 11**

$$U_3 = 3U_2 - U_1 + 5$$

$$U_3 = 3(2) - (4) + 5$$

$$U_3 = 7$$

$$U_4 = 3U_3 - U_2 + 5$$

$$U_4 = 3(7) - (2) + 5$$

$$U_4 = 24$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = U_1 + U_2 + U_3 + U_4$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 4 + 2 + 7 + 24$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 37$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 36$     false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 35$     false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 38$     false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 34$     false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=1}^4 U_r = 37$     true

**Question 12**    Experience: 25    Order:    Level:    Question-ID: 72

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $Y_{n+1} = 21 - 2Y_n$ , given that  $Y_1 = 5$ , find  $\sum_{r=2}^4 Y_r$ .

**Solution 12**

$$Y_2 = 21 - 2Y_1$$

$$Y_2 = 21 - 2(5)$$

$$Y_2 = 11$$

$$Y_3 = 21 - 2Y_2$$

$$Y_3 = 21 - 2(11)$$

$$Y_3 = -1$$

$$Y_4 = 21 - 2Y_3$$

$$Y_4 = 21 - 2(-1)$$

$$Y_4 = 23$$

$$\sum_{r=2}^4 Y_r = Y_2 + Y_3 + Y_4$$

$$\sum_{r=2}^4 Y_r = 11 + (-1) + 23$$

$$\sum_{r=2}^4 Y_r = 33$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=2}^4 Y_r = 32$      false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=2}^4 Y_r = 31$      false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=2}^4 Y_r = 30$      false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=2}^4 Y_r = 34$      false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=2}^4 Y_r = 33$      true

**Question 13**     Experience: 30     Order:     Level:     Question-ID: 74

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $X_{n+1} = 5 - X_n$ , given that  $X_1 = 7$ , find  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r$ .

**Solution 13**

$$X_2 = 5 - X_1 = 5 - 7 = -2$$

$$X_3 = 5 - X_2 = 5 - (-2) = 7$$

$$X_4 = 5 - X_3 = 5 - 7 = -2$$

$$X_5 = 5 - X_4 = 5 - (-2) = 7$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r = X_1 + X_2 + X_3 + X_4 + \dots + X_{20}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r = -2 + 7 + -2 + 7 + -2 + \dots + 7$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r = 10(-2) + 10(7)$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r = 50$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r = 20$      false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r = 60$      false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r = 30$      false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r = 40$      false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=1}^{20} X_r = 50$      true

**Question 14**     Experience: 30     Order:     Level:     Question-ID: 77

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $Y_{n+1} = 5 + 5Y_n - 2(Y_n)^3$ , given that  $Y_1 = 2$ , find  $Y_{1000}$ .

**Solution 14**

$$Y_2 = 5 + 5Y_1 - 2(Y_1)^3 = 5 + 5(2) - 2(2)^3 = -1$$

$$Y_3 = 5 + 5Y_2 - 2(Y_2)^3 = 5 + 5(-1) - 2(-1)^3 = 2$$

$$Y_4 = 5 + 5Y_3 - 2(Y_3)^3 = 5 + 5(2) - 2(2)^3 = -1$$

$Y_1$	$Y_2$	$Y_3$	$Y_4$	$Y_5$	$Y_6$
-1	2	-1	2	-1	2

We can see that  $Y_2 = Y_4 = Y_6 = Y_8 = \dots = 2$

Every numbered term divisible by 2 is 2

Find a numbered term that is close to  $Y_{1000}$  that is divisible by 2

$$Y_2 = 2 \quad Y_4 = 2 \quad Y_{100} = 2 \quad Y_{1000} = 2$$

Choice 1:  $Y_{1000} = 1$  false

Choice 2:  $Y_{1000} = 0$  false

Choice 3:  $Y_{1000} = 3$  false

Choice 4:  $Y_{1000} = 4$  false

Choice 5:  $Y_{1000} = 2$  true

**Question 15** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 78

Given  $\sum_{r=1}^n x_r = 5n^2 - 3$ , find  $\sum_{r=1}^7 x_r$

**Solution 15**

$$\sum_{r=1}^7 x_r = 5(7)^2 - 3 = 242$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=1}^7 x_r = 239$  false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=1}^7 x_r = 240$  false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=1}^7 x_r = 243$  false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=1}^7 x_r = 241$  false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=1}^7 x_r = 242$  true

**Question 16** Experience: 40 Order: Level: Question-ID: 76

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $U_{n+1} = \frac{13 - 5U_n}{7 - 3U_n}$ , given that  $U_1 = 1$ , find  $U_{50}$ .

**Solution 16**

$$U_2 = \frac{13 - 5U_1}{7 - 3U_1} = \frac{13 - 5(1)}{7 - 3(1)} = \frac{8}{4} = 2$$

$$U_3 = \frac{13 - 5U_2}{7 - 3U_2} = \frac{13 - 5(2)}{7 - 3(2)} = \frac{3}{1} = 3$$

$$U_4 = \frac{13 - 5U_3}{7 - 3U_3} = \frac{13 - 5(3)}{7 - 3(3)} = \frac{-2}{-2} = 1$$

$$U_5 = \frac{13 - 5U_4}{7 - 3U_4} = \frac{13 - 5(1)}{7 - 3(1)} = \frac{8}{4} = 2$$

$U_1$	$U_2$	$U_3$	$U_4$	$U_5$	$U_6$
1	2	3	1	2	3

We can see that  $U_3 = U_6 = U_9 = U_{12} = \dots = 3$

Every numbered term divisible by 3 is 3

Find a numbered term that is close to  $U_{50}$  that is divisible by 3

$$U_3 = 3 \quad U_9 = 3 \quad U_{30} = 3 \quad U_{51} = 3$$

$U_{51} = 3 \Rightarrow U_{50} = 2$  since 2 is the term before 3 in the sequence

i.e. 1, 2, 3, 1, 2, 3, 1,

Choice 1:  $U_{50} = 1$  false

Choice 2:  $U_{50} = 3$  false

Choice 3:  $U_{50} = 4$  false

Choice 4:  $U_{50} = 5$  false

Choice 5:  $U_{50} = 2$  true

**Question 17** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 79

Given  $\sum_{r=1}^n a_r = 2n^3 + 5$ , find  $a_2$

**Solution 17**

$$\sum_{r=1}^n a_r = 2n^3 + 5$$

$$a_2 = \sum_{r=1}^2 a_r - \sum_{r=1}^1 a_r$$

$$a_2 = 2(2)^3 + 5 - (2(1)^3 + 5)$$

$$a_2 = 21 - 7$$

$$a_2 = 14$$

Choice 1:  $a_2 = 13$  false

Choice 2:  $a_2 = 12$  false

Choice 3:  $a_2 = 11$  false

Choice 4:  $a_2 = 15$  false

Choice 5:  $a_2 = 14$  true

**Question 18** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 80

Given  $\sum_{r=1}^n U_r = 6n^2 + 11$ , find  $U_1$

**Solution 18**

$$\sum_{r=1}^1 U_r = U_1 = 6(1)^2 + 11 = 17$$

Choice 1:  $U_1 = 16$  false

Choice 2:  $U_1 = 15$  false

Choice 3:  $U_1 = 14$  false

Choice 4:  $U_1 = 18$  false

Choice 5:  $U_1 = 17$  true

**Question 19** Experience: 15 Order: Level: Question-ID: 81

Given  $\sum_{r=1}^n u_r = n^3 + 4$ , find  $\sum_{r=1}^5 u_r$

**Solution 19**

$$\sum_{r=1}^5 u_r = (5)^3 + 4 = 129$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=1}^5 u_r = 130$      false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=1}^5 u_r = 126$      false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=1}^5 u_r = 127$      false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=1}^5 u_r = 128$      false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=1}^5 u_r = 129$      true

**Question 20**     Experience: 30     Order:     Level:     Question-ID: 82

Given  $\sum_{r=1}^n Y_r = 3n^3 - 2$ , find  $Y_3$

**Solution 20**

$$Y_3 = \sum_{r=1}^3 - \sum_{r=1}^2$$

$$Y_3 = 3(3)^3 - 2 - (3(2)^3 - 2)$$

$$Y_3 = 57$$

Choice 1:  $Y_3 = 54$      false

Choice 2:  $Y_3 = 55$      false

Choice 3:  $Y_3 = 52$      false

Choice 4:  $Y_3 = 56$      false

Choice 5:  $Y_3 = 57$      true

**Question 21**     Experience: 30     Order:     Level:     Question-ID: 83

Given  $\sum_{r=1}^n U_r = 3n + 7$ , find  $U_5$

**Solution 21**

$$U_5 = \sum_{r=1}^5 U_r - \sum_{r=1}^4 U_r$$

$$U_5 = 3(5) + 7 - (3(4) + 7)$$

$$U_5 = 3$$

Choice 1:  $U_5 = 2$      false

Choice 2:  $U_5 = 1$      false

Choice 3:  $U_5 = 4$      false

- Choice 4:  $U_5 = 5$  false  
 Choice 5:  $U_5 = 3$  true

**Question 22** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 55

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $U_{n+1} = kU_n - 4$ ,  $U_1 = 3$ ,  $k > 0$ , given that  $U_3 = 0$  find the value of  $k$

**Solution 22**

$$U_2 = kU_1 - 4$$

$$U_2 = 3k - 4$$

$$U_3 = kU_2 - 4$$

$$U_3 = k(3k - 4) - 4$$

$$U_3 = 3k^2 - 4k - 4 \quad U_3 = 0$$

$$0 = 3k^2 - 4k - 4 \quad S = -4 \quad P = -12$$

$$0 = \left(k + \frac{2}{3}\right)(k - 2) \quad (2, -6) \Rightarrow \left(\frac{2}{3}, -2\right)$$

$$k = 2$$

- Choice 1:  $k = 3$  false  
 Choice 2:  $k = 4$  false  
 Choice 3:  $k = 1$  false  
 Choice 4:  $k = 5$  false  
 Choice 5:  $k = 2$  true

**Question 23** Experience: 60 Order: Level: Question-ID: 56

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $a_{n+1} = \frac{a_n}{k} + 3$ ,  $a_1 = 3$ ,  $k > 0$ , given that  $a_3 = 9$  find the value of  $k$

**Solution 23**



$$a_2 = \frac{a_1}{k} + 3$$

$$a_2 = \frac{3}{k} + 3$$

$$a_3 = \frac{a_2}{k} + 3$$

$$a_3 = \frac{\left(\frac{3}{k} + 3\right)}{k} + 3$$

$$a_3 = \frac{3}{k^2} + \frac{3}{k} + 3 \quad a_3 = 9$$

$$9 = \frac{3}{k^2} + \frac{3}{k} + 3$$

$$6 - \frac{3}{k^2} - \frac{3}{k} = 0$$

$$6k^2 - 3k - 3 = 0$$

$$2k^2 - k - 1 = 0 \quad S = -1 \quad P = -2$$

$$\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)(k - 1) = 0 \quad (1, -2) \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{2}, -1\right)$$

$$k = 1$$

Choice 1:  $k = 2$  false

Choice 2:  $k = 3$  false

Choice 3:  $k = 4$  false

Choice 4:  $k = 5$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 1$  true

**Question 24** Experience: 60 Order: Level: Question-ID: 62

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $u_{n+1} = \sqrt{a} \left(u_n - \frac{1}{b}\right)$ ,  $5u_1 = 4$ , given that  $u_2 = 7$  and  $u_3 = 13$  find the value of  $a$  and  $b$ .

**Solution 24**

$$u_2 = \sqrt{a} \left( u_1 - \frac{1}{b} \right)$$

$$7 = \sqrt{a} \left( 4 - \frac{1}{b} \right) \quad (1)$$

$$7 = 4\sqrt{a} - \frac{\sqrt{a}}{b} \quad (2)$$

$$u_3 = \sqrt{a} \left( u_2 - \frac{1}{b} \right)$$

$$13 = \sqrt{a} \left( 7 - \frac{1}{b} \right)$$

$$13 = 7\sqrt{a} - \frac{\sqrt{a}}{b} \quad (3)$$

$$(3) - (2) \quad 13 - 7 = 7\sqrt{a} - \frac{\sqrt{a}}{b} - \left( 4\sqrt{a} - \frac{\sqrt{a}}{b} \right)$$

$$6 = 3\sqrt{a}$$

$$2 = \sqrt{a}$$

$$a = 4$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad 7 = \sqrt{4} \left( 4 - \frac{1}{b} \right)$$

$$\frac{7}{2} = 4 - \frac{1}{b}$$

$$-\frac{1}{2} = -\frac{1}{b}$$

$$b = 2$$

Choice 1:  $a = 4$   $b = 2$  true

Choice 2:  $a = 3$   $b = 2$  false

Choice 3:  $a = 4$   $b = 3$  false

Choice 4:  $a = 3$   $b = 3$  false

Choice 5:  $a = 2$   $b = 3$  false

**Question 25** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 73

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $a_{n+1} = 3 - a_n$ , given that  $a_1 = 1$ , find  $\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r$ .

**Solution 25**

$$a_2 = 3 - a_1 = 3 - 1 = 2$$

$$a_3 = 3 - a_2 = 3 - 2 = 1$$

$$a_4 = 3 - a_3 = 3 - 1 = 2$$

$$a_5 = 3 - a_4 = 3 - 2 = 1$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r = a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + a_4 + \dots + a_{100}$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r = 1 + 2 + 1 + 2 + 1 + 2 + \dots + 2$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r = 50(2) + 50(1)$$

$$\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r = 150$$

Choice 1:  $\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r = 100$  false

Choice 2:  $\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r = 200$  false

Choice 3:  $\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r = 50$  false

Choice 4:  $\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r = 250$  false

Choice 5:  $\sum_{r=1}^{100} a_r = 150$  true

**Question 26** Experience: 40 Order: Level: Question-ID: 75

A sequence is defined by the recurrence relation  $A_{n+1} = \frac{4A_n - 16}{3A_n - 8}$ , given that  $A_1 = 0$ , find  $A_{100}$ .

**Solution 26**

$$A_2 = \frac{4A_1 - 16}{3A_1 - 8} = \frac{4(0) - 16}{3(0) - 8} = \frac{-16}{-8} = 2$$

$$A_3 = \frac{4A_2 - 16}{3A_2 - 8} = \frac{4(2) - 16}{3(2) - 8} = \frac{-8}{-2} = 4$$

$$A_4 = \frac{4A_1 - 16}{3A_1 - 8} = \frac{4(4) - 16}{3(4) - 8} = 0$$

$$A_5 = \frac{4A_1 - 16}{3A_1 - 8} = \frac{4(0) - 16}{3(0) - 8} = \frac{-16}{-8} = 2$$

$$\begin{array}{cccccc} a_1 & a_2 & a_3 & a_4 & a_5 & a_6 \\ 0 & 2 & 4 & 0 & 2 & 4 \end{array}$$

We can see that  $a_3 = a_6 = a_9 = a_{12} = \dots = 4$

Every numbered term divisible by 3 is 4

Find a numbered term that is close to  $a_{100}$  that is divisible by 3

$$a_3 = 4 \quad a_9 = 4 \quad a_{30} = 4 \quad a_{99} = 4$$

$a_{99} = 4 \Rightarrow a_{100} = 0$  since 0 is the next term after 4 in the sequence

i.e. 0, 2, 4, 0, 2, 4, 0

Choice 1:  $a_{100} = 1$  false

Choice 2:  $a_{100} = 2$  false

Choice 3:  $a_{100} = 3$  false

Choice 4:  $a_{100} = 4$  false

Choice 5:  $a_{100} = 0$  true

#### Lesson 4 Arithmetic Sequence 2

**Question 1** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 123

$U_n$  is an arithmetic sequence with  $S_n$  being the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the sequence. Given that  $U_4 = 11$  and  $U_7 = 23$ , find  $S_{11}$

**Solution 1**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_4 = a + (4 - 1)d = a + 3d = 11 \quad (1)$$

$$U_7 = a + (7 - 1)d = a + 6d = 23 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad a + 6d - (a + 3d) = 23 - 11$$

$$3d = 12$$

$$d = 4$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad a + 3(4) = 11$$

$$a = -1$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2(a) + (n - 1)d)$$

$$S_{11} = \frac{11}{2}(2(-1) + (11 - 1)4) = 209$$

Choice 1:  $S_{11} = 208$  false

Choice 2:  $S_{11} = 205$  false

Choice 3:  $S_{11} = 206$  false

Choice 4:  $S_{11} = 207$  false

Choice 5:  $S_{11} = 209$  true

**Question 2** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 124

$U_n$  is an arithmetic sequence with  $S_n$  being the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the sequence. Given that  $U_3 = -5$  and  $U_5 = -11$ , find  $S_7$

**Solution 2**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_3 = a + (3 - 1)d = a + 2d = -5 \quad (1)$$

$$U_5 = a + (5 - 1)d = a + 4d = -11 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad a + 4d - (a + 2d) = -11 - (-5)$$

$$2d = -6$$

$$d = -3$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad a + 2(-3) = -5$$

$$a = 1$$

$$U_7 = 1 + (7 - 1)(-3) = -17$$

$$S_7 = \frac{7}{2}(1 + (-17)) = -56$$

Choice 1:  $S_7 = -52$  false

Choice 2:  $S_7 = -53$  false

Choice 3:  $S_7 = -54$  false

Choice 4:  $S_7 = -55$  false

Choice 5:  $S_7 = -56$  true

**Question 3** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 140

The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are 60, 58, 56..., there exists a  $k^{\text{th}}$  term which = 0, find the value of  $k$ , hence of otherwise find the maximum value of  $S_n$

**Solution 3**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_k = 60 + (k - 1)(-2) = 0$$

$$k - 1 = 30$$

$$k = 31$$

maimum value of  $S_n = S_k$  as any term after  $U_k$  is negative

Choice 1:  $k = 28$   $S_k = \frac{n}{2}(a + d)$  false

Choice 2:  $k = 29$   $S_k = \frac{31}{2}(60 + 0)$  false

Choice 3:  $k = 30$   $S_k = 920$  false

Choice 4:  $k = 32$   $S_k = 925$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 31$   $S_k = 930$  true

**Question 4** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 126

$U_n$  is an arithmetic sequence with  $S_n$  being the sum of the first n terms of the sequence. Given that  $S_5 = 85$  and  $S_8 = 184$ , find  $U_6$

**Solution 4**

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_5 = \frac{5}{2}(2a + (5-1)d) = 85$$

$$2a + 4d = 34 \quad (1)$$

$$S_8 = \frac{8}{2}(2a + (8-1)d) = 184$$

$$2a + 7d = 46 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad 2a + 7d - (2a + 4d) = 46 - 34$$

$$3d = 12$$

$$d = 4$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad 2a + 4(4) = 34$$

$$a = 9$$

$$U_6 = a + (6-1)d = 9 + 5(4) = 29$$

Choice 1:  $U_6 = 31$  false

Choice 2:  $U_6 = 30$  false

Choice 3:  $U_6 = 27$  false

Choice 4:  $U_6 = 28$  false

Choice 5:  $U_6 = 29$  true

**Question 5** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 127

$U_n$  is an arithmetic sequence with  $S_n$  being the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the sequence. Given that  $U_5 = 19$  and  $S_{10} = 170$ , find  $U_4$

**Solution 5**

$$U_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$U_5 = a + 4d = 19 \quad (1)$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_{10} = \frac{10}{2}(2a + (10-1)d) = 170$$

$$2a + 9d = 34 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - 2(1) \quad 2a + 9d - 2(a + 4d) = 34 - 38$$

$$d = -4$$

$$d = -4$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad a + 4(-4) = 19$$

$$a = 35$$

$$U_4 = a + (4-1)d = 35 + (3)(-4) = 23$$

Choice 1:  $U_4 = 19$  false

Choice 2:  $U_4 = 20$  false

Choice 3:  $U_4 = 21$  false

Choice 4:  $U_4 = 22$  false

Choice 5:  $U_4 = 23$  true

**Question 6** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 128

$U_n$  is an arithmetic sequence with  $S_n$  being the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the sequence. Given that  $U_4 = 8$  and  $S_{12} = 0$ , find  $S_9$

**Solution 6**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_4 = a + 3d = 8 \quad (1)$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n - 1)d)$$

$$S_{12} = \frac{12}{2}(2a + (12 - 1)d) = 0$$

$$2a + 11d = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - 2(1) \quad 2a + 11d - 2(a + 3d) = 0 - 16$$

$$8d = -16$$

$$d = -2$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad a + 3(-2) = 8$$

$$a = 14$$

$$S_9 = \frac{9}{2}(2(14) + (9 - 1)(-2)) = 54$$

Choice 1:  $S_9 = 55$  false

Choice 2:  $S_9 = 51$  false

Choice 3:  $S_9 = 52$  false

Choice 4:  $S_9 = 53$  false

Choice 5:  $S_9 = 54$  true

**Question 7** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 129

$U_n$  is an arithmetic sequence with  $S_n$  being the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the sequence. Given that  $U_3 = 4$  and  $U_7 = 0$ , find  $S_{10}$

**Solution 7**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_3 = a + 2d = 4 \quad (1)$$

$$U_7 = a + 6d = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad a + 6d - (a + 2d) = 0 - 4$$

$$4d = -4$$

$$d = -1$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad a + 2(-1) = 4$$

$$a = 6$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n - 1)d)$$

$$S_{10} = \frac{10}{2}(2(6) + (10 - 1)(-1)) = 15$$

Choice 1:  $S_{10} = 14$  false

Choice 2:  $S_{10} = 13$  false

Choice 3:  $S_{10} = 12$  false

Choice 4:  $S_{10} = 16$  false

Choice 5:  $S_{10} = 15$  true

**Question 8** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 130

$U_n$  is an arithmetic sequence with  $S_n$  being the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the sequence. Given that  $U_4 = 10$  and  $S_6 = 57$ , find  $S_{11}$

**Solution 8**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_4 = a + 3d = 10 \quad (1)$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n - 1)d)$$

$$S_6 = \frac{6}{2}(2a + (5 - 1)d) = 57$$

$$a + 2d = \frac{19}{2} \quad (2)$$

$$(1) - (2) \quad a + 3d - (a + 2d) = 10 - \frac{19}{2}$$

$$d = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad a + 3\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = 10$$

$$a = \frac{17}{2}$$

$$S_{11} = \frac{11}{2} \left( 2\left(\frac{17}{2}\right) + (11 - 1)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \right) = 121$$

Choice 1:  $S_{10} = 14$  false

Choice 2:  $S_{10} = 13$  false

Choice 3:  $S_{10} = 12$  false



Choice 4:  $S_{10} = 16$  false

Choice 5:  $S_{10} = 15$  true

**Question 9** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 131

Three consecutive terms in an arithmetic sequence are  $3k + 2, 2k + 5, 4k + 5$ , find the value of  $k$

**Solution 9**

$$2k + 5 - (3k + 2) = d = 4k + 5 - (2k + 5)$$

$$-k + 3 = 2k$$

Choice 1:  $k = 5$  false

Choice 2:  $k = 4$   $\frac{3k}{\text{false}} = 3$

Choice 3:  $k = 3$   $\frac{4k}{\text{false}} = 1$

Choice 4:  $k = 2$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 1$  true

**Question 10** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 132

Three consecutive terms in an arithmetic sequence are  $k^2 + 3, -k, k - 1$ , find the possible values of  $k$

**Solution 10**

$$-k - (k^2 + 3) = d = k - 1 - (-k)$$

$$-k - k^2 - 3 = 2k - 1$$

Choice 1:  $k = -2, -3$  false

Choice 2:  $k = -1, -2$   $\frac{0}{\text{false}} = k^2 + \frac{3k}{\text{false}} + 2$

Choice 3:  $k = -3, 0$   $\frac{0}{\text{false}} = (k + 2)(k + 1)$

Choice 4:  $k = -1, -2$  false

Choice 5:  $k = -2, -1$  true

**Question 11** Experience: 30 Order: Level: Question-ID: 133

Three consecutive terms in an arithmetic sequence are  $k + 16, 3k + 12, 7k - 2$ , find the value of  $k$

**Solution 11**

$$3k + 12 - (k + 16) = d = 7k - 2 - (3k + 12)$$

$$2k - 4 = 4k - 14$$

Choice 1:  $k = 6$  false

Choice 2:  $k = 2$   $\frac{2k}{\text{false}} = 10$

Choice 3:  $k = 3$   $\frac{4k}{\text{false}} = 5$

Choice 4:  $k = 4$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 5$  true

**Question 12** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 134

The first three terms in an arithmetic sequence are  $2k, k + 9, 3k$ , find the smallest  $n$  such that  $S_n > 117$

**Solution 12**

$$k + 9 - 2k = d = 3k - (k + 9)$$

$$-k + 9 = 2k - 9$$

$$3k = 18$$

$$k = 6$$

$$\Rightarrow U_1 = 12 \quad U_2 = 15 \quad U_3 = 18$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$$

$$\frac{n}{2}(2(12) + (n-1)3) > 117$$

$$n(24 + 3n - 3) > 234$$

$$3n^2 + 21n - 234 > 0$$

$$n^2 + 7n - 78 > 0 \quad P = -78 \quad S = 7$$

$$(n + 13)(n - 6) > 0 \quad (13, -6)$$

$$n = 6$$

Choice 1:  $n = 7$  false

Choice 2:  $n = 3$  false

Choice 3:  $n = 4$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 5$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 6$  true

**Question 13** Experience: 40 Order: Level: Question-ID: 135

The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are 99, 96, 93..., there exists a  $k^{\text{th}}$  term which = 0, find the value of  $k$ , hence of otherwise find the maximum value of  $S_n$

**Solution 13**

$$U_n = a + (n-1)d$$

$$U_k = 99 + (k-1)(-3) = 0$$

$$k - 1 = 33$$

$$k = 34$$

maximum value of  $S_n = S_k$  as any term after  $U_k$  is negative

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(a + l)$$

$$S_k = \frac{34}{2}(99 + 0)$$

$$S_k = 1683$$

Choice 1:  $k = 33 \quad S_k = 1689$  false

Choice 2:  $k = 32 \quad S_k = 1686$  false

Choice 3:  $k = 35 \quad S_k = 1677$  false

Choice 4:  $k = 36 \quad S_k = 1680$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 34 \quad S_k = 1683$  true

**Question 14** Experience: 35 Order: Level: Question-ID: 136

The first three terms in an arithmetic sequence are 5, 7, 9, find the smallest  $n$  such that  $S_n > 252$

**Solution 14**

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2(5) + (n-1)2) > 252$$

$$n(5 + n - 1) > 252$$

$$n^2 + 4n - 252 > 0 \quad P = -252 \quad S = 4$$

$$(n + 18)(n - 14) > 0 \quad (18, -14)$$

$$n = 14$$

Choice 1:  $n = 15$  false

Choice 2:  $n = 11$  false

Choice 3:  $n = 12$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 13$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 14$  true

**Question 15** Experience: 35 Order: Level: Question-ID: 137

The first three terms in an arithmetic sequence are 9, 12, 15, find the smallest  $n$  such that  $S_n > 750$

**Solution 15**

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2(9) + (n-1)3) > 750$$

$$n(18 + 3n - 3) > 1500$$

$$3n(5 + n) > 1500$$

$$n(5 + n) > 500$$

$$n^2 + 5n - 500 > 0 \quad P = -500 \quad S = 5$$

$$(n + 25)(n - 20) > 0 \quad (25, -20)$$

$$n = 20$$

Choice 1:  $n = 21$  false

Choice 2:  $n = 17$  false

Choice 3:  $n = 18$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 19$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 20$  true

**Question 16** Experience: 35 Order: Level: Question-ID: 138

The first three terms in an arithmetic sequence are 12, 16, 20, 24, find the smallest  $n$  such that  $S_n > 672$

**Solution 16**

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2(12) + (n-1)4) > 672$$

$$n(12 + 2n - 2) > 672$$

$$2n^2 + 10n - 672 > 0$$

$$n^2 + 5n - 336 > 0 \quad P = -336 \quad S = 5$$

$$(n + 21)(n - 16) > 0 \quad (21, -16)$$

$$n = 16$$

Choice 1:  $n = 15$  false

Choice 2:  $n = 19$  false

Choice 3:  $n = 18$  false

Choice 4:  $n = 17$  false

Choice 5:  $n = 16$  true

**Question 17** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 142

Judith is playing with 294 sticks, she puts them in rows. The first row has 8 sticks, next row has 10 sticks, subsequent rows have 2 more sticks than the previous row. She has enough for  $k$  rows but not enough for  $k + 1$  rows. Find  $k$ .

Sequence goes: 8,10,12,14,18,20....

**Solution 17**

Not having enough for  $k+1$  rows means that  $S_k \leq 294$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n-1)d)$$

$$S_k = \frac{k}{2}(2(8) + (k-1)2)$$

$$S_k = k(8 + k - 1)$$

$$S_k = k(k + 7)$$

$$S_k = k^2 + 7k \quad (1)$$

$$S_k \leq 294$$

$$(1) \quad k^2 + 7k \leq 294$$

$$k^2 + 7k - 294 \leq 0 \quad P = 294 \quad S = 7$$

Choice 1:  $k = 11$  false

Choice 2:  $(k+21)(k-14) \leq 0$  false (21, -14)

Choice 3:  $k = 12 = 14$  false

Choice 4:  $k = 13$  false

Choice 5:  $k = 14$  true

**Question 18** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 125

$U_n$  is an arithmetic sequence with  $S_n$  being the sum of the first  $n$  terms of the sequence. Given that  $S_{11} = 0$  and  $U_2 = 8$ , find  $U_6$

**Solution 18**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_2 = a + (2 - 1)d = a + d = 8 \quad (1)$$

$$S_n = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n - 1)d)$$

$$S_{11} = \frac{11}{2}(2a + (11 - 1)d) = 0$$

$$S_{11} = a + 5d = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$(2) - (1) \quad a + 5d - (a + d) = 0 - 8$$

$$4d = -8$$

$$d = -2$$

$$\text{Sub into (1)} \quad a + (-2) = 8$$

$$a = 10$$

$$U_6 = 1 + (7 - 1)(-2) = -11$$

Choice 1:  $U_6 = -13$  false

Choice 2:  $U_6 = -12$  false

Choice 3:  $U_6 = -9$  false

Choice 4:  $U_6 = -10$  false

Choice 5:  $U_6 = -11$  true

**Question 19** Experience: 45 Order: Level: Question-ID: 139

The first three terms of an arithmetic sequence are 44, 41, 38..., there exists a  $k^{\text{th}}$  term which is the smallest positive term in the sequence, find the value of  $k$ , hence of otherwise find the maximum value of  $S_n$

**Solution 19**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_k = 44 + (k - 1)(-3) = 0$$

$$k - 1 = \frac{44}{3}$$

$$k = \frac{44}{3} + 1 = 15.6$$

$$k = 15$$

maximum value of  $S_n = S_k$  as any term after  $U_k$  is negative

Choice 1:  $k = 14$   $S_k = \frac{n}{2}(2a + (n - 1)d)$  false  
 $S_k = 2658$   
 Choice 2:  $k = 13$   $S_k = 2656$  false  
 $S_k = 2654$   
 Choice 3:  $k = 12$   $S_k = 2651 + (15 - 1)(-3)$  false  
 $S_k = 2654$   
 Choice 4:  $k = 16$   $S_k = 2650$  false  
 $S_k = 2652$   
 Choice 5:  $k = 15$   $S_k = 2652$  true

**Question 20** Experience: 50 Order: Level: Question-ID: 141

At the start of the year 2000, Tony the farmer has  $50m^2$  of land, he buys  $7m^2$  of land at the end of each year. At the

beginning of this year, Tony owns  $141m^2$  of land. What year is it?

Sequence goes from the start of every year: 50,57,64,71,78,85....

**Solution 20**

$$U_n = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$U_n = 141 \quad a = 50 \quad d = 7$$

$$141 = 50 + (n - 1)7$$

$$n - 1 = 13$$

Choice 1: Year = 2015 false

Choice 2: Year = 2011 false

Choice 3: Year = 2014 false

Choice 4: Year = 2013 false

Choice 5: Year = 2014 true

End of Chapter Questions

## Unit 2 Core 2

### Chapter 1 Logarithms

#### Lesson 1 Basic logarithms

**Question 1** Experience: 10 Order: a2 Level: a2 Question-ID: 149

Express  $\log_{x+5} 10 = 4$  in power form

**Solution 1**

$$\log_{x+5} 10 = 4$$

$$(x + 5)^4 = 10$$

Choice 1:  $4^{x+5} = 10$  false

Choice 2:  $(x + 5)^{10} = 4$  false

Choice 3:  $10^{x+5} = 4$  false

Choice 4:  $(x + 5)^{10} = 4$  false

Choice 5:  $(x + 5)^4 = 10$  true

**Question 2** Experience: 10 Order: a2 Level: a2 Question-ID: 150

Express  $\log_{a+b} 6 = c$  in power form

**Solution 2**

$$\log_{a+b} 6 = c$$

$$(a + b)^c = 6$$

Choice 1:  $(a + b)^6 = c$  false

Choice 2:  $6^c = a + b$  false

Choice 3:  $(a + b)^c = 6$  false

Choice 4:  $6^{a+b} = 6$  false

Choice 5:  $(a + b)^c = 6$  true

**Question 3** Experience: 10 Order: a2 Level: a2 Question-ID: 152

Express  $\log_{xy} 3 = 2$  in power form

**Solution 3**

$$\log_{xy} 3 = 2$$

$$(xy)^2 = 3$$

Choice 1:  $2^{xy} = 3$  false

Choice 2:  $3^2 = xy$  false

Choice 3:  $xy^3 = 2$  false

Choice 4:  $(3)^{xy} = 2$  false

Choice 5:  $(xy)^2 = 3$  true

**Question 4** Experience: 10 Order: b1 Level: b1 Question-ID: 154

Express  $a^b = c$  in log form

**Solution 4**

$$a^b = c$$

$$\log_a c = b$$

Choice 1:  $\log_c a = b$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_b c = a$  false

Choice 3:  $\log_b a = c$  false

Choice 4:  $\log_a b = c$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_a c = b$  true

**Question 5** Experience: 10 Order: b1 Level: b1 Question-ID: 157

Express  $5^2 = 25$  in log form

**Solution 5**

$$5^2 = 25$$

$$\log_5 25 = 2$$

Choice 1:  $\log_5 2 = 25$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_{25} 2 = 5$  false

Choice 3:  $\log_{25} 5 = 2$  false

Choice 4:  $\log_2 25 = 5$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_5 25 = 2$  true

**Question 6** Experience: 10 Order: b2 Level: b2 Question-ID: 156

Express  $(xy)^5 = 20$  in log form

**Solution 6**

$$(xy)^5 = 20$$

$$\log_{xy} 20 = 5$$

Choice 1:  $\log_5 20 = xy$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_{xy} 5 = 20$  false

Choice 3:  $\log_{20} 5 = xy$  false

Choice 4:  $\log_{20} xy = 5$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_{xy} 20 = 5$  true

**Question 7** Experience: 15 Order: c2 Level: c2 Question-ID: 162

Express  $\log_2(x^2y) - \log_2 x$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 7**

$$\begin{aligned}\log_2(x^2y) - \log_2 x \\&= \log_2((x^2y) \div x) \\&= \log_2 xy\end{aligned}$$

Choice 1:  $2 \log_{x^2y} 1$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_{x^2y} 2$  false

Choice 3:  $\log_2 x^2y$  false

Choice 4:  $2x \log_2 y$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_2 xy$  true

**Question 8** Experience: 10 Order: b1 Level: b1 Question-ID: 159

Express  $a^{bc} = 6$  in log form

**Solution 8**

$$\begin{aligned}a^{bc} &= 6 \\ \log_a 6 &= bc\end{aligned}$$

Choice 1:  $\log_6 ab = c$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_{bc} a = 6$  false

Choice 3:  $\log_{bc} 6 = a$  false

Choice 4:  $\log_a bc = 6$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_a 6 = bc$  true

**Question 9** Experience: 10 Order: b2 Level: b2 Question-ID: 155

Express  $(a + b)^4 = 15$  in log form

**Solution 9**

$$\begin{aligned}(a + b)^4 &= 15 \\ \log_{(a+b)} 15 &= 4\end{aligned}$$

Choice 1:  $\log_4 15 = a + b$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_{15}(a + b) = 4$  false

Choice 3:  $\log_{15} 4 = a + b$  false

Choice 4:  $\log_4(a + b) = 15$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_{(a+b)} 15 = 4$  true

**Question 10** Experience: 10 Order: b2 Level: b2 Question-ID: 158

Express  $(x + 4)^4 = 5$  in log form

**Solution 10**



$$(x + 4)^4 = 5$$

$$\log_{(x+4)} 5 = 4$$

Choice 1:  $\log_4(x + 4) = 5$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_5 4 = x + 4$  false

Choice 3:  $\log_{(x+4)} 4 = 5$  false

Choice 4:  $\log_5(x + 4) = 5$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_{(x+4)} 5 = 4$  true

**Question 11** Experience: 15 Order: c1 Level: c1 Question-ID: 161

Express  $\log_4(x + y) + \log_4 6$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 11**

$$\log_4(x + y) + \log_4 6$$

$$= \log_4((x + y) \times 6)$$

$$= \log_4 6(x + y)$$

Choice 1:  $4 \log_{(x+y)} 6$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_{(x+y)} 24$  false

Choice 3:  $4 \log_6 x + y$  false

Choice 4:  $6 \log_4 x + y$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_4 6(x + y)$  true

**Question 12** Experience: 10 Order: a1 Level: a1 Question-ID: 148

Express  $\log_x 9 = 2$  in power form

**Solution 12**

$$\log_x 9 = 2$$

$$x^2 = 9$$

Choice 1:  $x^9 = 2$  false

Choice 2:  $x^2 = 2$  false

Choice 3:  $x^9 = 9$  false

Choice 4:  $x^2 = 7$  false

Choice 5:  $x^2 = 9$  true

**Question 13** Experience: 15 Order: c1 Level: c1 Question-ID: 163

Express  $3 \log_3(a + b) + \log_3 4$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 13**

$$3 \log_3(a + b) + \log_3 4$$

Choice 1:  $\log_3(a + b)^3 + \log_3 4$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_3((a + b)^3 \times 4)$  false

Choice 3:  $12 \log_3 a + b$  false

Choice 4:  $\log_3 4(a + b)^3$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_3 4(a + b)^3$  true

**Question 14** Experience: 15 Order: c2 Level: c2 Question-ID: 164

Express  $\log_4(a^2 - b^2) - 2\log_4(a + b)$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 14**

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_4(a^2 - b^2) - 2\log_4(a + b) \\ \text{Choice 1: } & \log_3 \frac{a^2 - b^2}{a + b} \quad \text{false} \\ & = \log_4(a^2 - b^2) + \log_4(a + b)^2 \\ \text{Choice 2: } & \log_3((a^2 - b^2) - b(a + b)^2) \quad \text{false} \\ & = \log_3 \frac{a^2 + b^2}{a^2 - b^2} \\ \text{Choice 3: } & \left( \frac{\log_3 b}{\log_3(a - b)} \right) \quad \text{false} \\ & = \log_3 \left( \frac{(a^2 - b^2)b^2}{(a^2 + b^2)} \right) \\ \text{Choice 4: } & \log_3 \frac{a - b}{a^2 + b^2} \quad \text{false} \\ & = \log_3 \frac{a - b}{a + b} \\ \text{Choice 5: } & \log_3 \frac{a - b}{a + b} \quad \text{true} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 15** Experience: 15 Order: c2 Level: c2 Question-ID: 165

Express  $\log_x(4a - 6b) + \log_x \frac{1}{2}$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 15**

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_x(4a - 6b) + \log_x \frac{1}{2} \\ & = \log_x \frac{1}{2}(4a - 6b) \\ & = \log_x(2a - 3b) \\ \text{Choice 1: } & \log_{(4a-6b)} \frac{1}{2}x \quad \text{false} \\ \text{Choice 2: } & \log_x(4a - 6b) \quad \text{false} \\ \text{Choice 3: } & \frac{1}{2} \log_{(4a-6b)} x \quad \text{false} \\ \text{Choice 4: } & \frac{1}{2} \log_x(2a - 3b) \quad \text{false} \\ \text{Choice 5: } & \log_x(2a - 3b) \quad \text{true} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 16** Experience: 15 Order: d1 Level: d1 Question-ID: 166

Express  $\log_4(6a) - \log_4(2a)$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 16**

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_4(6a) - \log_4(2a) \\ & = \log_4(6a \div 2a) \\ & = \log_4 3 \\ \text{Choice 1: } & \log_a 2 \quad \text{false} \\ \text{Choice 2: } & \log_a 3 \quad \text{false} \\ \text{Choice 3: } & \log_4 3a \quad \text{false} \\ \text{Choice 4: } & \log_4 12a^2 \quad \text{false} \\ \text{Choice 5: } & \log_4 3 \quad \text{true} \end{aligned}$$

**Question 17** Experience: 15 Order: d1 Level: d1 Question-ID: 167

Express  $\log_{10}(15) - \log_{10}(3)$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 17**

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_{10}(15) - \log_{10}(3) \\ &= \log_{10}(15 \div 3) \\ &= \log_{10} 5 \end{aligned}$$

- Choice 1:  $\log_{10} 3$  false  
 Choice 2:  $\log_5 45$  false  
 Choice 3:  $\log_{10} 45$  false  
 Choice 4:  $\log_5 10$  false  
 Choice 5:  $\log_{10} 5$  true

**Question 18** Experience: 15 Order: d2 Level: d2 Question-ID: 168

Express  $3 \log_y(5) + \log_y(4)$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 18**

$$\begin{aligned} & 3 \log_y(5) + \log_y(4) \\ &= \log_y 5^3 + \log_y 4 \\ &= \log_y(5^3 \times 4) \\ &= \log_y 500 \end{aligned}$$

- Choice 1:  $\log_y 100$  false  
 Choice 2:  $\log_y 8000$  false  
 Choice 3:  $4 \log_y 125$  false  
 Choice 4:  $4 \log_y 50$  false  
 Choice 5:  $\log_y 500$  true

**Question 19** Experience: 15 Order: d2 Level: d2 Question-ID: 169

Express  $3 \log_a(4) - 4 \log_a(2)$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 19**

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_a(4^3) - \log_a(2^4) \\ &= \log_a(64) - \log_a(16) \\ &= \log_y(64 \div 16) \\ &= \log_y 4 \end{aligned}$$

- Choice 1:  $\log_4 a^2$  false  
 Choice 2:  $\log_4 16$  false  
 Choice 3:  $\log_4 64$  false  
 Choice 4:  $\log_y 16$  false  
 Choice 5:  $\log_y 4$  true

**Question 20** Experience: 10 Order: a1 Level: a1 Question-ID: 153

Express  $\log_3 7 = a + b^2$  in power form

**Solution 20**

$$\log_3 7 = a + b^2$$

$$3^{a+b^2} = 7$$

Choice 1:  $7^{a+b^2} = 3$  false

Choice 2:  $3^7 = 7a + b^2$  false

Choice 3:  $(a + b^2)^3 = 7$  false

Choice 4:  $3^7 = a + b^2$  false

Choice 5:  $3^{a+b^2} = 7$  true

**Question 21** Experience: 30 Order: d3 Level: d3 Question-ID: 171

Express  $4 \log_9 5 - 2 \log_3(15)$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 21**

$$\begin{aligned} & 4 \log_9 5 - 2 \log_3(9) \\ &= 4 \left( \frac{\log_3 5}{\log_3 9} \right) - 2 \log_3(15) \\ &= \left( \frac{4 \log_3 5}{2} \right) - \log_3(15^2) \\ &= 2 \log_3 5 - \log_3(15^2) \\ &= \log_3(5^2 \div 15^2) \\ &= \log_3 \frac{25}{225} \\ &= \log_3 \frac{1}{9} \end{aligned}$$

Choice 1:  $\log_9 225$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_9 25$  false

Choice 3:  $\log_9 \frac{1}{3}$  false

Choice 4:  $\log_3 9$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_3 \frac{1}{9}$  true

**Question 22** Experience: 15 Order: c1 Level: c1 Question-ID: 160

Express  $\log_a 4 + \log_a 5$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 22**

$$\begin{aligned} & \log_a 4 + \log_a 5 \\ &= \log_a(4 \times 5) \\ &= \log_a 20 \end{aligned}$$

Choice 1:  $\log_4 5a$  false

Choice 2:  $a \log_4 5$  false

Choice 3:  $4 \log_a 5$  false

Choice 4:  $5 \log_a 4$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_a 20$  true

**Question 23** Experience: 30 Order: d3 Level: d3 Question-ID: 170

Express  $2 \log_{16} 8 - 4 \log_4(2)$  as a single logarithm

**Solution 23**

$$\begin{aligned} & 2 \log_{16} 8 - 4 \log_4(2) \\ &= 2 \left( \frac{\log_4 8}{\log_4 16} \right) - 4 \log_4(2) \\ &= \left( \frac{2 \log_4 8}{2} \right) - \log_4(16) \\ &= \log_4(8 \div 16) \\ &= \log_4 \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Choice 1:  $\log_8 4$  false

Choice 2:  $\log_8 2$  false

Choice 3:  $\log_8 \frac{1}{2}$  false

Choice 4:  $\log_4 \frac{1}{2}$  false

Choice 5:  $\log_4 \frac{1}{2}$  true

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