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Maths

Arithmetic Progressions

DHA: 02

✓Q1 Which term of the A.P. 72, 63, 54, is 0 ?

- (A) 8th
✓(B) 9th
(C) 10th
(D) 11th

✓Q2 Which term of the A.P. 25, 20, 15, ... is the first negative term?

- (A) 10th
(B) 9th
(C) 8th
✓(D) 7th

✓Q3 Which term of the A.P. 21, 42, 63, 84, ... is 210 ?

- (A) 9th
✓(B) 10th
(C) 11th

(D) 12th

✓Q4 What is 20th term from the end of the A.P. 3, 8, 13, 253?

- (A) 163
(C) 153
(B) ✓158
(D) 148

✓Q5 If a_n denotes the n^{th} term of the A.P. 3, 8, 13, 18, ..., then what is the value of $(a_{30} - a_{20})$?

- (A) 40
✓(C) 50
(B) 36
(D) 56

✓Q6 If p^{th} and q^{th} term of an A.P. are q and p respectively, then find the r^{th} term of A.P.

- (A) $p + q$
(C) $p + q + r$
(B) $p - q + r$
✓(D) $p + q - r$



Answer Key

Q1 (B)

Q2 (D)

Q3 (B)

Q4 (B)

Q5 (C)

Q6 (D)



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Hints & Solutions

Q1 Text Solution:

Given the series as 72, 63, 54, ...

$$a = 72 \text{ and } d = 63 - 72 = -9$$

$$\text{Let } a_n = 0$$

$$a + (n-1)d = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow 72 - 9(n-1) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow -72 = -9(n-1)$$

$$\Rightarrow -n - 1 = 8$$

$$n = 9$$

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Q2 Text Solution:

$$a = 25$$

$$d = 20 - 25 = -5$$

$$a_n < 0$$

$$a + (n-1)d < 0$$

$$25 + (n-1)(-5) < 0$$

$$25 < 5(n-1)$$

$$5 < (n-1)$$

$$n > 6$$

$$\Rightarrow n = 7$$

7th term is negative.

$$a_7 = 25 + (7-1)(-5)$$

$$= 25 - 5 \times 6$$

$$= -5$$

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Q3 Text Solution:

Let the n th term of the given A.P be 210.

As per the question,

first term, $a = 21$

common difference, $d = 42 - 21 = 21$.

$$a_n = 210.$$

$$210 = 21 + (n-1)21$$

$$189 = (n-1)21$$

$$n-1 = 9$$

$$n = 10$$

Therefore, the 10th term of an AP is 210.

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Q4 Text Solution:

We want to find 20th term from the last term of given AP. So, let's write given AP in this way:

$$253, \dots, 13, 8, 3$$

First term = $a = 253$

Common Difference = $d = 8 - 13 = -5$

Using formula $a_n = a + (n-1)d$, to find n th term of arithmetic progression, we can say that

$$a_{20} = 253 + (20-1)(-5)$$

$$\Rightarrow a_{20} = 253 + 19(-5)$$

$$= 253 - 95$$

$$= 158$$



Therefore, the 20th term from the last term of given AP is 158.

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Q5 Text Solution:

Given AP is 3, 8, 13, 18,

Therefore, first term of AP is $a = 3$

And common difference of AP is $d = a_2 - a_1 = 8 - 3 = 5$.

Given that a_n denotes the n th term of AP.

$$a_{30} = 145$$

$$a_{20} = 95$$

$$\text{Hence } a_{30} - a_{20} = 50$$

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Q6 Text Solution:

$$a_p = a + (p - 1)d$$

$$q = a + (p - 1)d$$

$$a_q = a + (q - 1)d$$

$$p = a + (q - 1)d$$

On solving these equation by elimination method

$$d = -1$$

$$a = p + q - 1$$

$$\text{hence } a_r = a + (r - 1)d$$

$$= p + q - 1 + (r - 1) \times (-1)$$

$$= p + q - 1 - r + 1$$

$$= p + q - r$$

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