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Answer the questions in the spaces provided on the following pages. If you run out of room for an answer, continue on the back of the page. Show **all** your work!

1. Write a recursive and generic formula for the following sequences

(a)  $a_n = \{1, 2, 3, 4, \dots, n\}$

**Solution:**

Generic  
 $a_n = n$

Recursive  
 $a_{n+1} = n + 1; a_1 = 1$

(b)  $a_n = \{3, 6, 9, 12, \dots, n\}$

**Solution:**

Generic  
 $a_n = 3 + 3(n - 1) = 3n$

Recursive  
 $a_{n+1} = 3 + a_n; a_1 = 3$

(c)  $a_n = \{1, 3, 9, 27, \dots, n\}$

**Solution:**

Generic  
 $a_n = 3^n$

Recursive  
 $a_{n+1} = 3(a_n); a_1 = 1$

(d)  $a_n = \{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{4}, \frac{1}{8}, \dots, n\}$

**Solution:**

Generic  
 $a_n = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^n$

Recursive  
 $a_{n+1} = \frac{1}{2}(a_n); a_1 = \frac{1}{2}$

2. Rewrite the series  $\sum_{n=0}^{12} \frac{n+2}{3}$  to start at  $n = 3$

**Solution:**

$$\sum_{n=3}^{15} \frac{n-3+2}{3} = \sum_{n=3}^{15} \frac{n-1}{3}$$

3. Rewrite the series  $\sum_{n=5}^{20} \frac{n}{(n-1)^2}$  to start at  $n = 0$

**Solution:**

$$\sum_{n=0}^{15} \frac{n+5}{(n+5-1)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{15} \frac{n+5}{(n-4)^2}$$

4. Strip out the last term of the sum  $\sum_{n=0}^{22} \frac{n+8}{3}$

**Solution:**

$$\frac{22+8}{3} + \sum_{n=0}^{21} \frac{n+8}{3} = 10 + \sum_{n=0}^{21} \frac{n+8}{3}$$

5. Rewrite the following expression as a single summation,  $\sum_{i=0}^k i^3 + (k+1)^3$

**Solution:**

$$\sum_{n=0}^{k+1} i^3$$

6. Write the following in summation notation  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{2}{3^2} + \frac{3}{4^3} + \cdots + \frac{n}{(n+1)^n}$

**Solution:**

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{k}{(k+1)^k}$$

7. Write the following expression as a single summation:  $3 * \sum_{t=1}^p (2t-3) + \sum_{t=1}^p (4-5t)$

**Solution:**

$$\begin{aligned} 3 * \sum_{t=1}^p (2t-3) + \sum_{t=1}^p (4-5t) &= \sum_{t=1}^p (6t-9) + \sum_{t=1}^p (4-5t) \\ &= \sum_{t=1}^p t - 5 \end{aligned}$$