



Term	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	57 th	58 th	n th
Value	2	6	10	14				?	?		$4n - 2$

a) Write the next two term of the following sequences [1]

b) Write the n^{th} term of the sequence [1]

c) Write the 57th and 58th of the sequence [1]

1) Consecutive No Sequence

1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 50th term = _____

Shifted Sequence

i) 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 70th term = _____

ii) 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 35th term = _____

iii) 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 22nd term = _____

iv) -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 65th term = _____

v) -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 17th term = _____

2) Square Sequence (Basic)

1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 12th term = _____

Shifted Sequence

i) 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 19th term = _____

ii) 9, 16, 25, 36, 49, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 38th term = _____

3) Cube Sequence (Basic)

1, 8, 27, 64, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 20th term = _____

Shifted Sequence

i) 8, 27, 64, 125, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 29th term = _____

ii) 27, 64, 125, _____, _____

n^{th} term = _____ 48th term = _____

[Past Paper Question]

(a) Find the n^{th} term of 3, 10, 29, 66, 127, ... [2]

(b) Find the n^{th} term of 0, 7, 26, 63, 124, [2]



4) Linear or First Level Common Difference

nth term : - $a + d(n-1)$ where $a = 1^{\text{st}}$ term and $d = \text{common difference}$

i) 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, _____, _____ n^{th} term = _____ 11^{th} term = _____

ii) 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, _____, _____ n^{th} term = _____ 20^{th} term = _____

iii) 2, 5, 8, 11, _____, _____ n^{th} term = _____ 21^{st} term = _____

iv) 1, 5, 9, 13, 17, _____, _____ n^{th} term = _____ 31^{st} term = _____

v) 17, 12, 7, 2, _____, _____ n^{th} term = _____ 31^{st} term = _____

vi) 18, 15.5, 13, 10.5, _____, _____ n^{th} term = _____ 11^{th} term = _____

vii) 20, 17, 14, 11, _____, _____ n^{th} term = _____ 12^{th} term = _____

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5) Quadratic Sequence or Second Level Common Difference

nth term : $an^2 + bn + c$ where

$a + b + c \rightarrow$ 5, 12, 25, 44,

$2a =$ second difference ($2a = 6$, so $a = 3$)

$3a + b \rightarrow$ 7, 13, 19

1st difference

$3a + b =$ first difference ($3a + b = 7$ so $b = -2$)

$2a \rightarrow$ 6

2nd difference

$a + b + c =$ first term ($a + b + c = 5$ so $c = 4$)

so nth term = $3n^2 - 2n + 4$

i) 3, 5, 11, 21, 35, _____, _____

n^{th} term =

ii) 2, 9, 20, 35, 54, _____, _____

n^{th} term =

iii) 2, 4, 8, 14, 22, 32, _____, _____

n^{th} term =

iv) 6, 9, 14, 21, 30, _____, _____

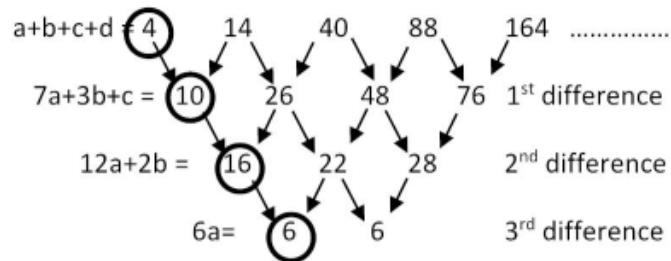
n^{th} term =

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6) Cubic Sequence or third level common difference

nth term : $an^3 + bn^2 + cn + d$



$$6a = 6 \quad \text{so } a = 1$$

$$12a + 2b = 16 \quad \text{so } b = 2$$

$$7a + 3b + c = 10 \quad \text{so } c = -3$$

$$a + b + c + d = 4 \quad \text{so } d = 4$$

So nth term is $n^3 + 2n^2 - 3n + 4$

(i) 0, 7, 26, 63, 124,

(ii) 8, 15, 34, 71, 132,

(iii) 3, 17, 55, 129, 251,

(iv) 3, 10, 29, 66, 127,

(v) 11, 6, -25, -100, -237,

n^{th} term :

n^{th} term :

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n^{th} term :



7) Geometric Sequence or Exponential Sequence

Formula ar^{n-1} , where a is the first term and r is the common ratio (eg 2nd term/ 1st term)

i) 2, 4, 8, 16, 32, _____, _____ n^{th} term =

ii) 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, _____, _____ n^{th} term =

iii) $\frac{1}{3}$, 1, 3, 9, 27, _____, _____ n^{th} term =

iv) 3, 6, 12, 24, _____, _____ n^{th} term =

v) 256, 64, 16, 4, _____, _____ n^{th} term =

vi) 1, -2, 4, -8, 16, _____, _____ n^{th} term =

vii) 3, $3\sqrt{3}$, 9, $9\sqrt{3}$, 27, _____, _____ n^{th} term =

8) Fibonacci Sequence (add previous two terms to get next term)

1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, _____, _____

Answers

1) n (i) $n + 1$ (ii) $n + 2$ (iii) $n - 1$ (iv) $n - 2$ (v) $n - 3$
2) n^2 (i) $(n+1)^2$ (ii) $(n+2)^2$
3) n^3 (i) $(n+1)^3$ (iii) $(n+2)^3$
Past Paper Question (a) n^3+2 (b) Answer n^3-1
4) (i) $2n$ (ii) $5n$ (iii) $3n-1$ (iv) $4n-3$ (v) $-5n+22$ (vi) $-2.5n+20.5$ (vii) $-3n+23$
5) (i) $2n^2-4n+5$ (ii) $2n^2+n-1$ (iii) n^2-n+2 (iv) n^2+5
6) (i) n^3-1 (ii) n^3+7 (iii) $2n^3+1$ (iv) n^3+2 (v) $-3n^3+5n^2+n+8$
7) (i) $2 \times 2^{n-1} (=2^n)$ (ii) $1 \times 2^{n-1}$ (iii) $1/3 \times 3^{n-1} (=3^{n-2})$ (iv) $3 \times 2^{n-1}$ (v) $256 (1/4)^{n-1} (=4^{5-n})$ (vi) $1 \times (-2)^{n-1}$ (vii) $3 \times (\sqrt{3})^{n-1} (=3^{\frac{n+1}{2}})$
8) 21, 34