

Handout: Arithmetic Shmarithmetic- Answers

1. List the first 4 terms of the sequence given by $\{a_n\} = 3(a_{n-1}) - 1$ whose first term is 5.

5, 14, 41, 122

2. List the first 5 terms of the arithmetic sequence given by $\{a_n\} = 5n - 4$.

1, 6, 11, 16, 21

3. Find the explicit rule for the sequence 5, 7, 9, 11,

$$\{a_n\} = 2n + 3$$

4. Find the explicit rule for the sequence 6, 13, 20, 27...

$$\{a_n\} = 7n - 1$$

5. Find the recursive rule for the sequence 4, 11, 32, 95....

$$\{a_n\} = 3(a_{n-1}) - 1$$

6. Given the arithmetic sequence $\{a_n\} = (a_{n-1}) + \frac{1}{2}$ with $a_1 = 10$, find the 99th term.

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7. Determine how many terms exist in the sequence 1, 3, 5, ..., 75, 77.

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8. Find the 7th partial sum of the sequence $\{a_n\} = 6 - 2n$.

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9. Find the sum of $-30, -26, -22, \dots, 2, 6$.

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10. Find the third partial sum of the geometric series given by: $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 6(3)^{n-1}$.

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