

Unit 1: Sequences and Functions

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Show all work. Give each answer as an exact value (number, fraction, or coordinate pair) in the form requested.

1. An arithmetic sequence has $a_3 = 17$ and $a_8 = 52$. Find the common difference d .

Answer: _____

3. A geometric sequence has $a_2 = 24$ and $a_5 = 3$. Find the common ratio r .

Answer: _____

5. An arithmetic sequence models a linear function with $a_1 = -4$ and $a_{12} = 40$ (the 12th term is 40). Find the common difference d as a fraction.

Answer: _____

7. A geometric sequence has $a_4 = 54$ and $a_7 = 1458$. Find a_1 .

Answer: _____

9. An arithmetic sequence and a geometric sequence both start at 8. The arithmetic one has $d = 5$; the geometric one has $r = 2$. For $n = 4$ (the 4th term), find the positive difference between the geometric term and the arithmetic term.

Answer: _____

11. An arithmetic sequence has $a_5 = -2$ and $a_{11} = -20$. Find a_1 .

Answer: _____

2. For the arithmetic sequence in the previous style, $a_3 = 17$ and $a_8 = 52$. Find the first term a_1 .

Answer: _____

4. A geometric sequence has first term 5 and common ratio 3. Written as an exponential function $f(n) = a \cdot b^{(n-1)}$, find $f(6)$.

Answer: _____

6. The arithmetic sequence has $a_1 = -4$ and common difference 4. Find the value of n for which $a_n = 100$.

Answer: _____

8. The explicit formula for a geometric sequence is $g(n) = 2 \cdot (3/2)^{(n-1)}$. Find $g(4)$ as a fraction.

Answer: _____

10. The sum of the first 6 terms of a geometric sequence with first term 4 and common ratio 3 is S . Find S .

Answer: _____