

Pre-AP Precal
Series and Sequences

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Determine whether the sequence is arithmetic, geometric, or neither.

1. $15, 17, 20, 22, 24$

2. $-6, 12, -24, 48$

3. $-17, -21, -25, -29$

4. What is the 7th term of the geometric progression $-625, 125, \dots$?

5. The ninth term of an arithmetic progression is 25 and the common difference is 1.5. What is the first term?

6. If p , 5, and 12 are consecutive terms of a geometric sequence, find the value of p .

Express using sigma notation.

7. $-12 - 7 - 2 + 3 + 8 + 13$

8. Write the first 4 terms of the geometric sequence whose 5th term is 6 and whose common ratio is $-\frac{3}{2}$.

9. If $a_{13} = 7$ and $a_{17} = 23$ in an arithmetic sequence, find the sum of the first 20 terms.

State the next 2 terms of the sequence and give a formula for the n th term.

10. $72, 70, 68, 66, 64$

11. In an arithmetic sequence, $a_5 = 6x + y$ and $a_8 = 9x - 5y$. Find a_{22} and the sum of the first 22 terms.

12. Which term is 153 if an arithmetic sequence begins $-9, -3, 3, 9, \dots$?

13. Find the common ratio and the next 2 terms for the geometric sequence $6, 3, \frac{3}{2}, \dots$

14. How many terms of the arithmetic series $18 + 12 + 6 + \dots$ must be added for the sum to be -2070 ?

15. Find the sum of the geometric series
 $\frac{1}{64} + \frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{4} + \cdots + 16.$

16. Find the sum of the series $8 + 2 - 4 - 10 \cdots - 106.$

State the next 2 terms of the sequence and give a formula for the n th term.

17. 3, 9, 27, 81, 243

18. Find the sum of the first 7 terms of the geometric series $162 + (-54) + 18 + \cdots.$

19. Find the sum of the first 16 terms of the sequence $-18, -15, -12, \dots$

20. In an arithmetic sequence, $a_2 = 5k + 3j$ and $a_3 = 4k + 4j.$ Find $a_8.$

Simplify.

21. $\sum_{c=1}^5 (17 - 3c)$

Find the sum, if it exists.

22. $\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} + 1 + 2 + \cdots$

23. $9 + 3 + 1 + \cdots$

24. $a + \left(-\frac{a}{10}\right) + \frac{a}{100} + \left(-\frac{a}{1000}\right) + \cdots$

25. Which term is $\frac{1}{625}$ in the geometric progression $3125, 625, 125, \dots?$

26. Find the 38th term of the arithmetic sequence $103, 99, 95, \dots$

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Answer List

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| 1. neither | 2. geometric $r = -2$ | 3. arithmetic $d = -4$ |
| 4. $-\frac{1}{25}$ | 5. 13 | 6. $\frac{25}{12}$ |
| 7. $\sum_0^5 (5n - 12)$ | 8. $\frac{32}{27}, -\frac{16}{9}, \frac{8}{3}, -4$ | 9. -60 |
| 10. 62, 60; $a_n = 74 - 2n$ | 11. $23x - 33y, 275x - 264y$ | 12. 28 |
| 13. $r = \frac{1}{2}; \frac{3}{4}, \frac{3}{8}$ | 14. 30 | 15. $21\frac{21}{64}$ |
| 16. -980 | 17. 729, 2187; $a_n = 3^n$ | 18. $121\frac{5}{9}$ |
| 19. 72 | 20. $-k + 9j$ | 21. 40 |
| 22. no sum | 23. 13.5 | 24. $\frac{10a}{11}$ |
| 25. 10th | 26. -45 | |

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