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## Sequences | 3.9

Ready, Set, Go!



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Ready

Topic: Arithmetic and geometric sequences

**For each set of sequences, find the first five terms. Compare arithmetic sequences and geometric sequences. Which grows faster? When?**

1. Arithmetic sequence:  $f(1) = 2$ , common difference,  $d = 3$   
 Geometric sequence:  $g(1) = 2$ , common ratio,  $r = 3$
- | Arithmetic: | Geometric: |
|-------------|------------|
| $f(1) =$    | $g(1) =$   |
| $f(2) =$    | $g(2) =$   |
| $f(3) =$    | $g(3) =$   |
| $f(4) =$    | $g(4) =$   |
| $f(5) =$    | $g(5) =$   |

Which value do you think will be more,  $f(100)$  or  $g(100)$ ? Why?

2. Arithmetic sequence:  $f(1) = 2$ , common difference,  $d = 10$   
 Geometric sequence:  $g(1) = 2$ , common ratio,  $r = 3$
- | Arithmetic: | Geometric: |
|-------------|------------|
| $f(1) =$    | $g(1) =$   |
| $f(2) =$    | $g(2) =$   |
| $f(3) =$    | $g(3) =$   |
| $f(4) =$    | $g(4) =$   |
| $f(5) =$    | $g(5) =$   |

Which value do you think will be more,  $f(100)$  or  $g(100)$ ? Why?

3. Arithmetic sequence:  $f(1) = 20$ ,  $d = 10$   
 Geometric sequence:  $g(1) = 2$ ,  $r = 2$
- | Arithmetic: | Geometric: |
|-------------|------------|
| $f(1) =$    | $g(1) =$   |
| $f(2) =$    | $g(2) =$   |
| $f(3) =$    | $g(3) =$   |
| $f(4) =$    | $g(4) =$   |
| $f(5) =$    | $g(5) =$   |

Who Which value do you think will be more,  $f(100)$  or  $g(100)$ ? Why?

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4. Arithmetic sequence:  $f(1) = 50$ , common difference,  $d = 10$ Geometric sequence:  $g(1) = 1$ , common ratio,  $r = 2$ 

Arithmetic:

$f(1) =$

$f(2) =$

$f(3) =$

$f(4) =$

$f(5) =$

Geometric:

$g(1) =$

$g(2) =$

$g(3) =$

$g(4) =$

$g(5) =$

W Who Which value do you think will be more,  $f(100)$  or  $g(100)$ ? Why?

5. Compare arithmetic sequences and geometric sequences growth rates. Which grows faster? When?

Set

Topic: Geometric sequences

Each of the tables below represents a *geometric sequence*. Find the missing terms in the sequence, showing your method.

6. Table 1

$x$	1	2	3
$y$	3		12

7. Table 2

$x$	$y$
1	2
2	
3	
4	54

8. Table 3

$x$	$y$
1	5
2	
3	20
4	

9. Table 4

$x$	$y$
1	4
2	
3	
4	
5	324

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Topic: Explicit equations of geometric equations

**Given the following information, determine the explicit equation for each geometric sequence.**

10.  $f(1) = 8$ , common ratio,  $r = 2$

11.  $f(1) = 4$ ,  $f(n) = 3f(n - 1)$

12.  $f(n) = 4f(n - 1)$ ;  $f(1) = \frac{5}{3}$

13. Which geometric sequence above has the greatest value at  $f(100)$ ?

Need Help? Check out these videos:

Geometric sequence <http://www.khanacademy.org/math/algebra/ck12-algebra-1/v/geometric-sequences--introduction>

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