

Lesson 25 Practice Problems

1. The formula for the sum s of the first n terms in a geometric sequence is given by $s = a \left(\frac{1-r^n}{1-r} \right)$, where a is the initial value and r is the common ratio.

A drug is prescribed for a patient to take 120 mg every 12 hours for 8 days. After 12 hours, 6% of this drug is still in the body. How much of the drug is in the body after the last dose?

2. The formula for the sum s of the first n terms in a geometric sequence is given by $s = a \left(\frac{1-r^n}{1-r} \right)$, where a is the initial value and r is the common ratio. If a sequence has $a = 10$ and $r = 0.25$,

- What are the first 4 terms of the sequence?
- What is the sum of the first 17 terms of the sequence?

3. Jada drinks a cup of tea every morning at 8:00 a.m. for 14 days. There is 40 mg of caffeine in each cup of tea she drinks. 24 hours after she drinks the tea, only 6% of the caffeine is still in her body.
- How much caffeine is in her body right after drinking the tea on the first, second, and third day?
 - When will the total amount of caffeine in Jada be the highest during the 14 days? Explain your reasoning.

4. Select **all** polynomials that have $(x + 1)$ as a factor.

A. $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x - 6$

B. $g(x) = x^3 - 7x + 6$

C. $h(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - 5x + 6$

D. $j(x) = x^3 - 7x - 6$

E. $k(x) = x^2 - 1$

(From Unit 2, Lesson 15.)

5. A car begins its drive in heavy traffic and then continues on the highway without traffic. The average cost (in dollars) of the gas this car uses per mile for driving x miles is $c(x) = \frac{0.65+0.15x}{x}$. As x gets larger and larger, what does the end behavior of the function tell you about the situation?

(From Unit 2, Lesson 18.)

6. Write a rational equation that cannot have a solution at $x = 2$.

(From Unit 2, Lesson 22.)

7. For x -values of 0 and -1, $(x + 1)^3 = x^3 + 1$. Does this mean the equation is an identity? Explain your reasoning.

(From Unit 2, Lesson 24.)