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## Arithmetic and Geometric Sequences

A sequence is a function whose $\qquad$ is a set of consecutive whole numbers. So the input in any sequence is $\qquad$ .

The output of a sequence are called the $\qquad$ of the sequence.

A sequence can be specified by an $\qquad$ or a $\qquad$ .

## REVIEW: Arithmetic Sequence:

A sequence of terms that have a $\qquad$ between them.
To find the common difference, $\qquad$ the second term by the first term. Verify that the difference is consistent.

Let's recall the two types of formulas for Arithmetic Sequences:

| Arithmetic <br> Explicit Formula | Used for finding the $n^{\text {th }}$ <br> term of a sequence |  |
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| Recursive Formula | Used for finding the NEXT <br> term in a sequence |  |

1. 97 is the ____th term of the sequence: $-3,1,5,9, \ldots$
2. -73 is the $\qquad$ th term of the sequence: 5, 2, -1, -4, ...

## Geometric Sequence:

A sequence of terms that have a $\qquad$ between them.
To find the common ratio, $\qquad$ the second term by the first term. Verify that the ratio is consistent.

Determine if the sequence is geometric and find the common ratio.

1. $4,8,16,32, \ldots$
2. $256,64,16,4, \ldots$
3. $3,6,9,12, \ldots$

So, what are the TWO different types of formulas for Geometric Sequences:

| Geometric <br> Explicit Formula | Used for finding the $n^{\text {th }}$ <br> term of a sequence |  |
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| Recursive Formula | Used for finding the NEXT <br> term in a sequence |  |


| Sequence | Common <br> Ratio $(\mathbf{r})$ | Explicit Formula | Recursive <br> Formula | Given Term <br> $\left(\mathbf{n}^{\text {th }}\right)$ |
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| $6,3,1.5, .75, \ldots$ |  |  |  | $a_{7}=$ |
| $-4,-12,-36,-108, \ldots$ |  |  |  | $a_{10}=$ |
| $3,12,48,192, \ldots$ |  |  |  | $a_{5}=$ |

