

QB365 QUESTION BANK SOFTWARE

10th Maths Important Case Study Questions for Arithmetic Progressions 2024

SECTION A

$$2 \times 4 = 8$$

1) In a board game, the number of sea shells in various cells forms an A.P. If the number of sea shells in the 3rd and 11th cell together is 68 and number of shells in 11th cell is 24 more than that of 3rd cell, then answer the following

questions based on this data.

(i) What is the difference between the number of sea shells in the 19th and 20th cells?

(a) 2 (b) 3 (c) 8 (d) 7

(ii) How many sea shells are there in the first cell?

(a) 52 (b) 18 (c) 16 (d) 54

(iii) How many total sea shells are there in first 13 cells?

(a) 442 (b) 222 (c) 1204 (d) Can't be determined

(iv) Altogether, how many sea shells are there in the first 5 cells?

(a) 220 (b) 125 (c) 96 (d) 110

(v) What is the sum of number of sea shells in the 7th and 9th cell?

(a) 42 (b) 32 (c) 74 (d) 80

Answer : Let the number of sea shells in the cells be of the form $a, a + d, a + 2d, \dots$

According to question, we have

$$(a + 2d) + (a + 10d) = 68$$

$$\Rightarrow 2a + 12d = 68 \Rightarrow a + 6d = 34 \dots (i)$$

$$\text{Also, } (a + 10d) - (a + 2d) = 24 \Rightarrow d = 3$$

$$\text{From (1), we get } a + 6(3) = 34 \Rightarrow a = 16$$

(i) (b): Required difference, $d = 3$

(ii) (c): Number of sea shells in the first cell $(a) = 16$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(iii) (a): Total number of sea shells in 13 cells} &= S_{13} \\ &= \frac{13}{2} [2(16) + 12(3)] = 6.5(68) = 442 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{(iv) (d): } S_5 = \frac{5}{2} [2(16) + 4(3)] = 110$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(v) (c): Required sum} &= t_7 + t_9 = (a + 6d) + (a + 8d) \\ &= 2(16) + 14(3) = 74 \end{aligned}$$

2) Jack is much worried about his upcoming assessment on A.P. He was vigorously practicing for the exam but unable to solve some questions. One of these questions is as shown below. If the 3rd and the 9th terms of an A.P. are 4 and - 8 respectively, then help Jack in solving the problem.



(i) What is the common difference?

(a) 2 (b) -1 (c) -2 (d) 4

(ii) What is the first term?

(a) 6 (b) 2 (c) -2 (d) 8

(iii) Which term of the A.P. is -160?

(a) 80th (b) 85th (c) 81th (d) 84th

(iv) Which of the following is not a term of the given A.P.?

(a) -123 (b) -100 (c) 0 (d) -200

(v) What is the 75th term of the A.P.?

(a) -140 (b) -102 (c) -150 (d) -158

Answer : We have, 3rd term = 4 and 9th term = -8 i.e., $a + 2d = 4$ (i)

and $a + 8d = -8$ (ii)

Solving (1) and (2), we get

$d = -2, a = 8$

(i) (c)

(ii) (d)

(iii) (b): Let $t_n = -160 \Rightarrow a + (n - 1) d = -160$

$\Rightarrow 8 + (n - 1)(-2) = -160 \Rightarrow (n - 1)(-2) = -168$

$\Rightarrow n - 1 = 84 \Rightarrow n = 85$

So, $t_{85} = -160$

(iv) (a)

(v) (a): $t_{75} = a + 74d = 8 + 74(-2) = -140$