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Exam Style Questions

Algebraic Proof

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Equipment needed: Pen

Guidance

1. Read each question carefully before you begin answering it.
2. Check your answers seem right.
3. Always show your workings

Video Tutorial

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Answers and Video Solutions

1. Prove that the sum of three consecutive integers is divisible by 3.

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2. Prove $(n+6)^2-(n+2)^2$ is always a multiple of 8

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3. Prove $(n+10)^2-(n+5)^2$ is always a multiple of 5

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4. Prove the sum of two consecutive odd numbers is even.

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5. Prove $(2n + 1)(3n - 2) - (6n - 1)(n - 2)$ is always even

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6. Prove that the sum of three consecutive even numbers is always a multiple of 6

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7. Prove the sum of four consecutive odd numbers is always a multiple of 8

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8. Prove $(2n+9)^2-(2n+5)^2$ is always a multiple of 4

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9. Prove $(n+1)^2 + (n+3)^2 - (n+5)^2 \equiv (n+3)(n-5)$

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10. Prove the product of two even numbers is always even

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11. Prove the product of three consecutive odd numbers is odd

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12. Prove algebraically that the sum of the squares of two odd integers is always even.

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13. Prove that when two consecutive integers are squared, that the difference is equal to the sum of the two consecutive integers.

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14. Given x is a positive integer.

Prove that $(2x + 3)^2 - 3x(x + 2)$ is a square number.

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15. Prove that the sum of the squares of 3 consecutive positive integers is always 1 less than a multiple of 3.

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16. Prove algebraically that

$(4n+1)^2-(2n-1)$ is an even number

for all positive integer values of n.

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17. Prove that $3n(3n+4)+(n-6)^2$ is positive for all values of n

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18. The first five terms of a linear sequence are 5, 11, 17, 23, 29 …

(a) Find the nth term of the sequence

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(2)

A new sequence is generated by squaring each term of the linear sequence and then adding 5.

(b) Prove that all terms in the new sequence are divisible by 6.

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19. Prove that the product of two consecutive even numbers is a multiple of 4.

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20. Prove that when any odd integer is squared, the result is always one more than a multiple of 8.

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21. Prove that the product of two odd numbers is always odd.

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22. Prove algebraically that every term in the sequence $n^2 - 12n + 38$ is positive.

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23. Prove that the sum of the cubes of two consecutive odd integers is always a multiple of 4.

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