LESSON

Practice B

Introduction to Sequences

Find the first 5 terms of each sequence.

1.
$$a_1 = 1$$
, $a_n = 3(a_{n-1})$

2.
$$a_1 = 2$$
, $a_n = 2(a_{n-1} + 1) - 5$ **3.** $a_1 = -2$, $a_n = (a_{n-1})^2 - 1$

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7.
$$a_n = (n-2)(n+1)$$

8.
$$a_n = n(2n - 1)$$

9.
$$a_n = n^3 - n^2$$

10.
$$a_n = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{n-3}$$

11.
$$a_n = (-2)^{n-1}$$

12.
$$a_n = n^2 - 2n$$

Write a possible explicit rule for the nth term of each sequence.

16.
$$\frac{3}{2}$$
, $\frac{3}{4}$, $\frac{3}{8}$, $\frac{3}{16}$, $\frac{3}{32}$, ...

Solve.

19. Find the number of line segments in the next two iterations.

20. Jim charges \$50 per week for lawn mowing and weeding services. He plans to increase his prices by 4% each year.

- a. Graph the sequence.
- b. Describe the pattern.

c. To the nearest dollar, how much will he charge per week in 5 years?



