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Math 10/11 Honors: Section 3.3 Finite and Infinite Geometric Series

1. Find the sum for the following geometric series. Show all your work and steps:

a) $S = 8 + 4 + 2 + \dots + \frac{1}{128}$	b) $S = 3 + 6 + 12 + \dots + 3072$
c) $S = \sqrt{2} + 2 + 2\sqrt{2} + \dots + 256$	d) $S = -\frac{1}{8} + 0.25 + -0.5 + \dots + 256$
e) $S = \frac{64}{81} + \frac{32}{27} + \frac{16}{9} + \dots + \frac{729}{16}$	f) $S = \frac{125}{64} - \frac{25}{16} + \frac{5}{4} - \dots + \frac{1024}{3125}$

2. Given that each of the following series are infinite, determine the sum. Show all your work and steps.

a) $S = 27 + 9 + 3 + 1 + \dots$	b) $S = 2 + 1.8 + 1.62 + 1.458 + \dots$
c) $S = 0.4 + \frac{3}{100} + \frac{3}{1000} + \frac{3}{10000} + \dots$	d) $S = 11 + 16 + 8 + 4 + 2 + \dots$
e) $S = 256 - 128\sqrt{2} + 128 - 2\sqrt{64} + \dots$	f) $S = \frac{64}{125} + \frac{16}{25} + \frac{4}{5} + \dots$

3. Given the information of a geometric sequence, find the indicated unknown value:

a) $S_2 = 5, S_4 = 85, r =$	b) $S_3 = 19, S_\infty = 27, r =$
c) $a = 12, r = 2, S_n = 762, n = ?$	d) $t_2 = 3x, t_3 = 2x - 1, t_4 = 7x + 8, S_6 =$
e) $a = x + 2, t_2 = 3x, t_3 = x^2 + 8, S_5 =$	f) $1 + x + x^2 + x^3 + \dots = 20 ; x = ?$

4. What is the sum of the following geometric series?

$$12 + \frac{3}{4} + \frac{9}{16} + \frac{27}{64} + \dots$$

5. The sum of the first 8 terms of a geometric series is 1020 with a common ratio of -2. Determine the first term.

6. The sum of an infinite geometric series is 1 and the common ratio is $-\frac{2}{5}$, determine the 3rd term.

7. Determine the 8th term of an infinite geometric series with $S_{\infty} = 24$ and $r = \frac{3}{4}$
8. A ball is dropped from a height of 2.0m to a floor. After each bounce, the ball rises to 63% of its previous height. What is the total vertical distance the ball has travelled after 5 bounces? What is the total vertical distance the ball travelled after it comes to rest?
9. If the sum of a geometric series is given by the formula $S_n = 4 - 8(-7)^{n-1}$, determine the value of t_5 .
10. An oil well produces 30,000 barrels of oil during its first month of production. Suppose its production drops by 5% each month. Estimate the total production before the well runs dry.
11. If the sum of "n" terms of a geometric series is $S_n = 2(3^n - 1)$, determine the 5th term of this series.

12. A contest winner is given two prizes to choose from. Prize A is given \$20,000,000 right away. Prize "B" is given \$1 in the first year, \$2 in the next year, \$4, \$8, each following year for the next 30 years. After how many years will sum of Prize B surpass the Prize A?

13. For any geometric series, what is the value of $S_{n+1} - S_n$ equal to?

14. The sum of the 1st and 2nd term of a geometric sequence is 4 and the sum of the 3rd and 4th term is 36. Determine the sum of the first 8 terms.

15. Let $S_n = 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^{n-1}}$. Prove algebraically that S_n is less than "2" for all values of "n". Justify your answer.

16. Let $S_n = 1 + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{9} + \frac{1}{27} + \dots + \frac{1}{3^{n-1}}$. Prove algebraically that S_n is less than "1.5" for all values of "n". Justify your answer.

17. For what values of “ x ” will the series have a finite sum? $1 + \left(\frac{x-2}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{x-2}{3}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{x-2}{3}\right)^3 + \dots$

18. The geometric series $a + ar + ar^2 + \dots$ has a sum of 7, and the terms involving odd powers of “ r ” have a sum of 3. What is $a + r$?

19. In a sequence of numbers, the sum of the first “ n ” terms is equal to $5n^2 + 6n$. What is the sum of the 3rd, 4th, and 5th terms of the original sequence.

20. Challenge: AIME II 2012 #2 Two geometric sequences a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots and b_1, b_2, b_3, \dots have the same common ratio, with $a_1 = 27$, $b_1 = 99$, and $a_{15} = b_{11}$. Find the value of a_9 .

21. Given an geometric series where $\frac{S_4}{S_6} = \frac{117}{133}$ and all six terms are integers, what is the first term and the common ratio?