Goal
Find patterns and use them to make predictions.

Key Words
• pattern
• prediction

In the bracelet shown at the right, the beads and knots follow a pattern. You can repeat the pattern to make the bracelet longer.

EXAMPLE 1 Describe a Visual Pattern
Describe a pattern in the figures.

Solution
The figures have 3 sides, 4 sides, 5 sides, and 6 sides.

ANSWER The number of sides increases by one.

EXAMPLE 2 Describe a Number Pattern
Describe a pattern in the numbers.

a. 3, 6, 9, 12, 15, 18, ... 
b. 1, 4, 9, 16, 25, 36, ...

Solution
a. Each number after the first is 3 more than the previous one.
b. The numbers are squares of consecutive numbers.

\[
\begin{array}{cccccc}
1 & 4 & 9 & 16 & 25 & 36 \\
1^2 & 2^2 & 3^2 & 4^2 & 5^2 & 6^2 \\
\end{array}
\]

Checkpoint Describe a Visual or Number Pattern
Describe a pattern.

1.  
2.  
3. 4, 8, 12, 16, 20, 24, ... 
4. 35, 30, 25, 20, 15, 10, ...

1.1 Finding and Describing Patterns
EXAMPLE 3  Make a Prediction

Sketch the next figure you expect in the pattern.

Solution

The arrow’s color changes back and forth between green and red. The arrow makes a quarter turn each time.

\[\text{Answer} \rightarrow \text{The fourth figure is red. Its arrow points to the right.}\]

EXAMPLE 4  Make a Prediction

Sketch the next figure you expect in the pattern.

Solution

\[\text{Answer} \rightarrow \text{The sixth figure has six squares in the bottom row.}\]

Checkpoint  Make a Prediction

Sketch the next two figures you expect in the pattern.

5. \[\text{Answer} \rightarrow \text{The next two figures are shown.}\]
6. \[\text{Answer} \rightarrow \text{The next two figures are shown.}\]

Write the next two numbers you expect in the pattern.

7. \(-2, -5, -8, -11, \ldots\)  
8. \(4, 10, 16, 22, \ldots\)
1. **Finding and Describing Patterns**

### Guided Practice

#### Skill Check

1. Sketch the next figure you expect in the pattern.

![Figures](image)

2. Describe a pattern in the numbers. Write the next two numbers you expect in the pattern.

5. 3, 11, 19, 27, ...

6. 2, 6, 18, 54, ...

7. 7.0, 7.5, 8.0, 8.5, ...

8. 13, 7, 1, −5, ...

9. 256, 64, 16, 4, ...

10. 3, 0, −3, 0, 3, 0, ...

### Practice and Applications

#### Extra Practice

See p. 675.

#### Describing Visual Patterns

Sketch the next figure you expect in the pattern.


![Figures](image)

15. 16.

#### Describing Number Patterns

Describe a pattern in the numbers. Write the next number you expect in the pattern.

17. 4, 9, 14, 19, ...

18. 2, −7, −16, −25, ...

19. 320, 80, 20, 5, ...

20. 2.5, 5, 10, 20, ...

21. 1, 3, 6, 10, 15, ...

22. 5, 7, 11, 17, 25, ...

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Using Algebra Find a pattern in the coordinates of the points. Then write the coordinates of another point in the pattern.

23. \((-1, 3), (3, 3)\)
24. \((1, 1), (3, 3)\)
25. \((-4, 0), (-2, -1)\)

Making Predictions In Exercises 26–30, use the staircase pattern from Example 4 shown below.

26. Find the distance around each figure. Organize your results in a table like the one shown.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Figure</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>5</th>
<th>6</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Distance</td>
<td>4</td>
<td>8</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>?</td>
<td>?</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

27. Use your table to describe a pattern in the distances.

28. Write a variable expression for the distance around the \(n\)th figure.

29. Predict the distance around the tenth figure.

30. You be the Judge Will a figure in this pattern have a distance of 60? If so, which one?

31. Science Connection Diagrams for four molecules are shown. Draw a diagram for the next two molecules in the pattern.

32. Bacteria Growth You are studying bacteria in biology class. The table shows the number of bacteria after \(n\) doubling periods. Predict the number of bacteria after 8 doubling periods.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>(n) (doubling periods)</th>
<th>0</th>
<th>1</th>
<th>2</th>
<th>3</th>
<th>4</th>
<th>5</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Billions of bacteria</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>6</td>
<td>12</td>
<td>24</td>
<td>48</td>
<td>96</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
33. **Braille System**  The Braille alphabet uses raised dots that can be read by touch. Describe a pattern that links the first ten letters and the next ten letters. Complete the missing letters.

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A B C D E F G H I J
  .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .:?
K L M N O P Q R S T
  .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .: .:?
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**Visualizing Patterns**  The first three objects in a pattern are shown. How many blocks are in the next object?

34. 35.

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[Visual representation of the pattern]
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36. **Multiple Choice**  What is the next number you expect?

55, 110, 165, 220, \ldots

- **A** 255
- **B** 265
- **C** 275
- **D** 440

37. **Multiple Choice**  What is the next number you expect?

1, 5, 13, 25, \ldots

- **F** 33
- **G** 38
- **H** 41
- **J** 169

**Mixed Review**

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39. A table is two feet longer than it is wide. What are five possible areas for the table?

**Algebra Skills**

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**Problem Solving**  Draw a diagram to solve.  *(Skills Review, p. 653)*

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**Adding Decimals**  Find the sum.  *(Skills Review, p. 655)*

40. \(9.3 + 0.2\)
41. \(2.4 + 8.9\)
42. \(10.5 + 5.5\)
43. \(0.71 + 0.33\)
44. \(5.64 + 12.75\)
45. \(34.08 + 11.16\)

**Plotting Points**  Plot the points in a coordinate plane.  *(Skills Review, p. 664)*

46. \(A(5, 2)\)
47. \(B(6, 1)\)
48. \(C(3, -8)\)
49. \(D(4, -1)\)
50. \(E(-2, 7)\)
51. \(F(-5, 2)\)
52. \(G(-2, -6)\)
53. \(H(-4, -3)\)

1.1  *Finding and Describing Patterns*