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Additional Materials: Graphics Calculator

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

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The total number of marks for this paper is 24.

This document consists of **6** printed pages and **2** blank pages.

Answer **all** the questions.

INVESTIGATION

SUMS OF CONSECUTIVE INTEGERS

This investigation looks at the results when the terms of a sequence of consecutive positive integers are added together.

1 Here are four sequences of consecutive positive integers.

The sequence 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 has 7 terms. The median (the middle term) is 8.

The sequence 7, 8 has only 2 terms. The median is 7.5 .

The sequence 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25 has 6 terms. The median is 22.5 .

The sequence 20, 21, 22,, 40 has 21 terms. The median is 30.

For a sequence of consecutive integers,

(a) give an example to show that the number of terms is calculated using the rule

$$\text{last term} - \text{first term} + 1$$

(b) describe how to calculate the median using only the first term and the last term.

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- 2 (a) Complete the table of sequences of consecutive positive integers.

Sequence	Number of terms	Median	Sum of all the terms
3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	7	6	
7, 8	2	7.5	
20, 21, 22, , 40	21	30	630
5, 6, 7			18
2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9	8		
	6	4.5	27
	5	7	

- (b) Explain how to calculate the sum of all the terms using only the number of terms and the median.

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- (c) What is always true about the number of terms when the median is an integer?

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- (d) What is always true about the median when the number of terms is even?

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- 3 Use your answer to **question 2(b)** to help you complete the table of sequences of two or more consecutive positive integers.

Sequence	Number of terms	Median	Sum
		5	15
	4		34
			49

- 4 Use your answers to **question 1** and **question 2(b)** to help you find the sum of this sequence.

15, 16, 17,, 985.

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5 Sequences have 2 or more terms.

Find all the sequences of consecutive positive integers that have a sum of 77.

- 6 (a) Use the factors of 16 to show why the sum of a sequence of consecutive positive integers cannot equal 16.

- (b) Find a number larger than 20 that cannot be written as the sum of consecutive positive integers.

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