



## MATHS

### BOOKS - RS AGGARWAL MATHS (HINGLISH)

### PRINCIPLE OF MATHEMATICAL INDUCTION

#### Solved Examples

1. If  $p(n) = 1 + 3 + 5 + \dots + (2n - 1) = n^2$  then  $p(1)+p(2)+p(3)$  is

A. 6

B. 9

C. 14

D. None of these

**Answer: C**



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2. By the principle of mathematical induction that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  :

$$1 + 4 + 7 + \dots + (3n - 2) = \frac{1}{2}n(3n - 1) \text{ Write } P(k+1)$$

A.  $\frac{1}{2}k(3k - 1)$

B.  $\frac{1}{2}(k + 1)(3k)$

C.  $\frac{1}{2}(k + 1)(3k + 2)$

D.  $\frac{1}{2}(k + 1)(3k + 3)$

**Answer: C**

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3. Prove by the principle of mathematical induction that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  :

$$1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{1}{6}n(n + 1)(2n + 1)$$

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4. According to principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$P(n) = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3 = \left( \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2 \text{ Find } P(2)$$

A. 8

B. 9

C. 10

D. 2

**Answer: B**



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5. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 3 + 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + n(n+1) = \left[ \frac{n(n+1)(n+2)}{3} \right]$



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6. Prove the following by the principle of mathematical induction:

$$1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 4 + 3 \cdot 5 + \dots + (2n - 1)(2n + 1) = \frac{n(4n^2 + 6n - 1)}{3}$$

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7. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that :

$$1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4 + \dots + n(n + 1)(n + 2) = \frac{n(n + 1)(n + 2)(n + 3)}{4} \quad \text{for}$$

all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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8. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n + 1)} = \frac{n}{(n + 1)}.$$

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9. Prove the following by the principle of mathematical induction:

$$\frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} + \frac{1}{7 \cdot 9} + \frac{1}{(2n+1)(2n+3)} = \frac{n}{3(2n+3)}$$



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10. Using the principle of mathematical induction prove that

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \dots + \frac{1}{n(n+1)(n+2)} = \text{(for all } n \in \mathbb{N}\text{)}$$

A.  $\frac{n(n+4)}{4(n+1)(n+2)}$

B.  $\frac{n(n+3)}{4(n+1)(n+2)}$

C.  $\frac{n(n+3)}{4(n+4)(n+2)}$

D. None of these

Answer: B



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11. Using the principle of mathematical induction prove that :

$$1 \cdot 3 + 2 \cdot 3^2 + 3 \cdot 3^3 + \dots + n \cdot 3^n = \frac{(2n + 1)3^{n+1} + 3}{4} \text{ for all } n \in N.$$

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12. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that

$$\left(1 - \frac{1}{2}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{4}\right) \dots \left(1 - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) = \frac{1}{(n+1)} \text{ for all } n \in N$$

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13. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in N: a + ar + ar^2 + \dots + ar^{n-1} = \frac{a(r^n - 1)}{r - 1}$$

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14. Prove the following by the principle of mathematical induction:

$$(ab)^n = a^n b^n \text{ for all } n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

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15. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that  $(n^2 + n)$  is seven for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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16. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $n(n + 1)(n + 5)$  is a multiple of 3.

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17. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that  $(7^n - 3^n)$  is divisible by (for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ).

A. 3

B. 4

C. 5

D. 6

**Answer: B**

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**18.** Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $10^{2n-1} + 1$  is divisible by 11.

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**19.** Prove the following by the principle of mathematical induction:  
2.  $7^n + 3 \cdot 5^n - 5$  is divisible 25 for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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20. Using the principle of mathematical induction. Prove that  $(x^n - y^n)$  is divisible by  $(x - y)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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21. Using the principle of mathematical induction ,prove that  $(1 + x)^n \geq (1 + nx)$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , where  $x > -1$ .

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22. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that  $n < 2^n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

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23. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $(2n + 7) < (n + 3)^2$ .



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24. Using the principle of mathematical induction. Prove that  $(1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2) > \frac{n^3}{3}$  for all values of  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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25. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $1 + 2 + 3 + \dots + n < \frac{1}{8}(2n + 1)^2$ .

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#### Exercise 4

1. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + N = \frac{1}{2}N(N + 1).$$

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2. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + \dots + 2n = n(n + 1).$$

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3. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $1 + 3 + 3^2 + \dots + 3^{n-1} = \frac{(3^n - 1)}{2}$

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4. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$2 + 6 + 18 + \dots + 2 \cdot 3^{n-1} = (3^n - 1).$$

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5. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{8} + \dots + \frac{1}{2^n} = 1 - \frac{1}{2^n}$$

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6. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: 1^2 + 3^2 + 5^2 + \dots + (2n-1)^2 = \frac{n(2n-1)(2n+1)}{3}$$

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7. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

$$\text{for all } n \in \mathbb{N}: 1 \cdot 2 + 2 \cdot 2^2 + 3 \cdot 2^3 + \dots + n \cdot 2^n = (n-1)2^{n+1} + 2$$

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8. Prove by using the principle of mathematical induction:

$$3 \cdot 2^2 + 3^2 \cdot 3 + \dots + 3^n \cdot 2^{n+1} = \frac{12}{5}(6^n - 1)$$

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9. Using the principle of mathematical induction prove that

$$1 + \frac{1}{1+2} + \frac{1}{1+2+3} + \frac{1}{1+2+3+4} + \dots + \frac{1}{1+2+3+\dots+n} = \frac{2n}{n+1}$$

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

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10. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction

for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\frac{1}{2 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 8} + \frac{1}{8 \cdot 11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-1)(3n+2)} = \frac{n}{6n+4}$$

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11. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the

following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{4 \cdot 7} + \frac{1}{7 \cdot 10} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-2)(3n+1)} = \frac{n}{3n+1}$$

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12. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 7} + \dots + \frac{1}{(2n-1)(2n+1)} = \frac{n}{(2n+1)}$$

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13. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\frac{1}{2 \cdot 5} + \frac{1}{5 \cdot 8} + \frac{1}{8 \cdot 11} + \dots + \frac{1}{(3n-1)(3n+2)} = \frac{n}{(6n+4)}$$

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14. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :

$$\left(1 + \frac{3}{1}\right) \left(1 + \frac{5}{4}\right) \left(1 + \frac{7}{9}\right) \dots \left(1 + \frac{(2n+1)}{n^2}\right) = (n+1)^2$$

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15. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\left(1 + \frac{1}{1}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{2}\right)\left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\right)\dots\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) = (n + 1).$$

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16. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$n(n + 1)(n + 2)$  is a multiple of 6.

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17. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $x^{2n} - y^{2n}$  is divisible by  $x + y$ .

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**18.** Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$(x^{2n} - 1)$  is divisible by  $(x - 1)$  and  $(x + 1)$ .



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**19.** Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $41^n - 14^n$  is a multiple of 27.



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**20.** Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$(4^n + 15n - 1)$  is divisible by 9.



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21. Prove the following by using the principle of mathematical induction for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ :  $3^{2n+2} - 8n - 9$  is divisible by 8.

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22. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove that  $(2^{3n} - 1)$  is divisible by 7 for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ .

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23. Using the principle of mathematical induction, prove each of the following for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$3^n \geq 2^n$$

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