

NRICH Short Problems
Patterns and Sequences

# Age 11+ Level ★ Worksheet 1 - Solutions

Street Lamps
 81 seconds
 <u>nrich.maths.org/5015/solution</u>

# 2. Printing Error

133 is printed on the last page nrich.maths.org/7165/solution

# **3. Expanding Pattern**92 small shaded squares

nrich.maths.org/6800/solution

## 4. Fruit Line-up Need at least 8 fruit nrich.maths.org/7155/solution

#### 5. Many Matildas

The 1000<sup>th</sup> letter is d nrich.maths.org/7174/solution



# Age 11+ Level ★ Worksheet 2 – Solutions

# 1. Suit Sequence

The 100<sup>th</sup> and 101<sup>st</sup> symbols are  $\diamondsuit$  and  $\heartsuit$  nrich.maths.org/11683/solution

## 2. What a Coincidence

The next number to appear in both sequences is 2068 <u>nrich.maths.org/9431/solution</u>

# 3. Triangular Clock

She put the number 5 where the 6 would usually go nrich.maths.org/5684/solution

# 4. Fibonacci Deduction

The seventh number in the sequence is 24 <u>nrich.maths.org/7147/solution</u>



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# 1. Sliding Robot

After 2011 slides the robot will be at 1006 <u>nrich.maths.org/11640/solution</u>

#### 2. Knockdown

Peg 32 will be the last one to be knocked down nrich.maths.org/11677/solution

# 3. Square Grid

 $\frac{5050}{10000} = \frac{101}{200}$  of the whole square is shaded nrich.maths.org/13185/solution

# 4. Tiled Floor

There are 3025 tiles altogether nrich.maths.org/13421/solution



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1. How many Rectangles? The greatest possible number is 42 <u>nrich.maths.org/11658/solution</u>

#### 2. Hexagon Line 250 hexagons are required

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# 3. Pattern Snake

The piece between 2007 and 2011 looks like E:



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# 4. Night Watchmen

Their watches will agree at 12 noon (assuming 12 hour analogue watches), when they will both say 6 o'clock

24 hour watches won't agree again until midnight tomorrow, when they will both say midday <u>nrich.maths.org/5768/solution</u>



# Age 14+ Level ★★ Worksheet 1 - Solutions

#### 1. Diagonals A regular icosagon has 170 diagonals <u>nrich.maths.org/12928/solution</u>

# 2. Difference Sequence

The 28<sup>th</sup> term nrich.maths.org/13157/solution

# 3. Trolley Park

Each trolley is 1.1m long nrich.maths.org/11624/solution

#### **4.** Newspaper Sheets There are 17 sheets altogether (68 pages) nrich.maths.org/7180/solution

#### 5. Alternating Sum n = 4015nrich.maths.org/5707/solution



# Age 14+ Level **\***\* Worksheet 2 – Solutions

#### 1. 12345 The sum of all 2000 digits is 6000 nrich.maths.org/2344/solution

## 2. Below 400

The number directly below 400 will be 440 nrich.maths.org/5002/solution

#### 3. Collatz 13

The value of  $t_{2008} = 1$ nrich.maths.org/9433/solution

# 4. Collatz-ish

The nth term is equal to n when n equals 13 and 16 nrich.maths.org/10131/solution