

Patterns Investigations 2

Name _____

In this investigation, you will predict how many “sticks” would be needed to build a “train” based on the following patterns. You will record your data and plot the points to predict what will happen for the tenth figure, the one-hundredth figure, and for *any* figure.

Activity 1 Study the pattern to find the “zero” figure.

Figure 1 

Figure 2 

Figure 3 

x	y
Figure #	# Sticks
0	
1	4
2	
3	
4	
5	
10	

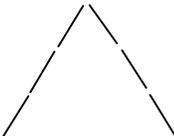
How many sticks would Figure 100 need?

What is the rule for finding the number of sticks for any figure?

Activity 2 Study the pattern to find the “zero” figure.

Figure 1 

Figure 2 

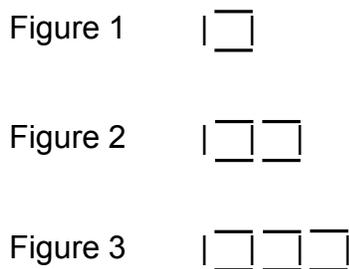
Figure 3 

x	y
Figure #	# Sticks
0	
1	3
2	
3	
4	
5	
10	

What is the rule for finding the number of sticks for any figure?

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Activity 3 Study the pattern to find the “zero” figure.

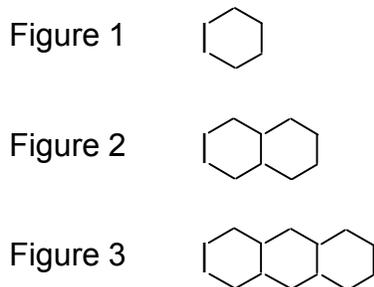


x	y
Figure #	# Sticks
0	
1	4
2	
3	
4	
5	
10	

How many sticks would Figure 100 need?

What is the rule for finding the number of sticks for *any* figure?

Activity 4 Study the pattern to find the “zero” figure.



x	y
Figure #	# Sticks
0	
1	6
2	
3	
4	
5	
10	

What is the rule for finding the number of sticks for *any* figure?