Arithmetic Sequences Practice Worksheet - Answer Key

1. Find the next two terms in each sequence:

- a) Common difference: +3 -> Next terms: 14, 17
- b) Common difference: -5 -> Next terms: 10, 5

2. Identify the first term (a) and the common difference (d):

a)
$$a = 4$$
, $d = 6$

b)
$$a = 100$$
, $d = -10$

3. Write a formula for the nth term (tn) and find the 10th term:

a)
$$tn = 3n -> t10 = 30$$

b)
$$tn = 20 - 3(n - 1) \rightarrow t10 = -7$$

4. Solve: How many terms are in this arithmetic sequence?

Use
$$tn = a + (n - 1)d$$

$$55 = 7 + (n - 1)*4 -> n = 13$$

5. The 4th term of a sequence is 22 and the 9th term is 42.

$$t4 = a + 3d = 22$$

$$t9 = a + 8d = 42$$

Subtracting
$$\rightarrow$$
 5d = 20 \rightarrow d = 4

$$a = 22 - 3*4 = 10$$

Formula:
$$tn = 10 + (n - 1)*4$$

6. In an arithmetic sequence, the 7th term is 75 and the 12th term is 105.

$$t7 = a + 6d = 75$$

$$t12 = a + 11d = 105$$

Subtracting \rightarrow 5d = 30 \rightarrow d = 6

$$a = 75 - 6*6 = 39$$

a) First term: 39

b)
$$t20 = 39 + 19*6 = 153$$

c)
$$180 = 39 + (n - 1)*6 -> n = 24.5 -> 180$$
 is not in the sequence