

1.5 Patterns and Relationships in Tables p. 25

We can make a table of values for a relation of an expression to a variable.

Step 1: select your expression

eg. $3n+4$

Step 2: Draw an input and output table. Put your expression in the output title box.

Input	Output
n	$3n+4$

Step 3:

Choose values for n (input numbers) and substitute these into the expression to get the output numbers.

If $n = 1$ then $(3)(\underline{1}) + 4$
 $= \underline{3} + 4$
 $= \underline{7}$

$n=3$ $3(3)+4$
 $= 9+4$
 $= 13$

If $n = 2$ then $(3)(\underline{2}) + 4$
 $= \underline{6} + 4$
 $= \underline{10}$

$n=4$ $3(4)+4$
 $= 12+4$
 $= 16$

Input	Output
n	$3n+4$
1	7
2	10
3	13
4	16

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You can also determine a relation based on the table of values.

Input	Output
1	7
2	9
3	11
4	13
5	15

- Let n represent any input number.
- When n is increased by 1, the output number increases by 2.
- This means the expression for the output number contains $2n$.
- The multiples of 2: 2, 4, 6, 8, 10...
- These are ALL 5 less than those in the table.
- So, the output is $2n + 5$
- Therefore this table shows how $2n + 5$ relates to n .

Lets try together:

Input	Output
1	2
2	5
3	8
4	11
5	14

- When n is increased by 1, the output number increases by 3.
- This means the expression for the output number contains $3n$.
- The multiples of 3: 3, 6, 9, 12, 15 are all 1 more than those in the table.
- So the output is : $3n - 1$
- Therefore, this table shows how $3n - 1$ relates to n .

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