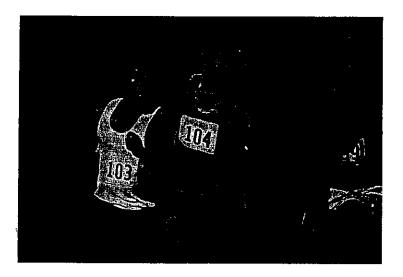
Keep It Going



1. Examine the first several terms in each sequence. Look for a pattern that explains how the sequence is formed. Then write a description of the pattern and a method for finding the next few terms. Give at least the next three terms.

a. 1, 4, 9, 16, . . .

b. 2, 6, 18, 54, . . .

c. 1, 4, 7, 10, . . .

d. 1, 3, 6, 10, . . .

2. Find the 100th term for the sequences in Questions 1a, 1c, and 1d. Explain how to get these values without calculating all of the previous terms.

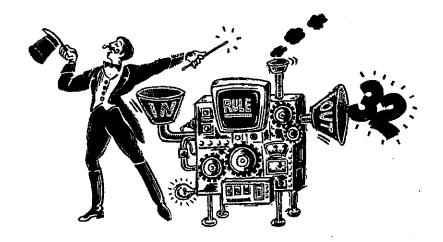
The Number Magician

A magician chooses a volunteer from the audience and says, "Pick a number, but don't tell me what it is. Add 15 to it. Multiply your answer by 3. Subtract 9. Divide by 3. Subtract 8. Now tell me your answer."

"Thirty-two," replies the volunteer.

The magician immediately guesses the volunteer's number.

- 1. What was the volunteer's number?
- **2.** The magician couldn't possibly have worked backward that fast. How did the magician find the answer so quickly?



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