

# A Level Maths

Topic: Sigma Notation

#### Instructions

Answer all questions. Show all necessary steps. Use properties of sigma notation to simplify and evaluate expressions.

### **Practice Problems**

**Evaluating and Expanding Sigma Expressions:** 

1. Evaluate 
$$\sum_{k=1}^{5} k$$

2. Expand and evaluate 
$$\sum_{n=1}^{4} (2n+1)$$

3. Find the value of 
$$\sum_{r=1}^{6} 3r^2$$

4. Simplify: 
$$\sum_{i=1}^{3} (i^2 + 2i)$$

#### Properties and Manipulations of Sigma Notation:

5. Express the sum 1+4+7+10+13 in sigma notation and evaluate it.

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6. Rewrite 
$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} (3k+2)$$
 as two separate sigma expressions.

7. Prove that 
$$\sum_{r=1}^{n} (2r-1) = n^2$$

8. Find the value of  $\sum_{k=1}^{10} k^2$  using the formula  $\sum_{k=1}^{n} k^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$ 

## **Multiple-Choice Questions**

- 1. What is the value of  $\sum_{k=1}^{4} (k+1)$ ?
  - A. 8
  - B. 10
  - C. 12
  - D. 14
- 2. Evaluate:  $\sum_{n=1}^{5} (n^2 1)$ 
  - A. 35
  - B. 45
  - C. 50
  - D. 55
- 3. Which expression is equivalent to  $\sum_{k=1}^{n} 5$ ?
  - A.  $5^{n}$
  - B. 5n
  - C. n + 5
  - D. 5(n-1)
- 4. If  $\sum_{i=1}^{n} i = 36$ , what is the value of n?
  - A. 7
  - B. 8
  - C. 9
  - D. 6
- 5. What is the value of  $\sum_{r=1}^{4} (2r-1)$ ?
  - A. 10
  - B. 12
  - C. 14

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