



9. The following number patterns can be used to sum consecutive square numbers:

$$1^2 + 2^2 = \frac{2 \times 3 \times 5}{6}; \quad 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 = \frac{3 \times 4 \times 7}{6}; \quad 1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 = \frac{4 \times 5 \times 9}{6}.$$

- (a) Express  $1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + \dots + 10^2$  in the same way.  
(b) Express  $1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + \dots + n^2$  in the same way.

10. Brackets can be multiplied out in the following way:

$$\begin{aligned}(y+1)(y+2)(y+3) &= y^3 + (1+2+3)y^2 + (1 \times 2 + 1 \times 3 + 2 \times 3)y + 1 \times 2 \times 3 \\(y+2)(y+3)(y+4) &= y^3 + (2+3+4)y^2 + (2 \times 3 + 2 \times 4 + 3 \times 4)y + 2 \times 3 \times 4 \\(y+3)(y+4)(y+5) &= y^3 + (3+4+5)y^2 + (3 \times 4 + 3 \times 5 + 4 \times 5)y + 3 \times 4 \times 5\end{aligned}$$

- (a) In the same way, multiply out  $(y+4)(y+5)(y+6)$ .  
(b) In the same way, multiply out  $(y+a)(y+b)(y+c)$ .

11. Express each of the following as a single fraction in its simplest form.

(a)  $\frac{3}{a} + \frac{1}{3a}$

(b)  $\frac{6}{x} - \frac{5}{x^2}$

(c)  $\frac{5}{2x} - \frac{3}{2x^2 + 4x}$

12. Given that  $\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{12} + \frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{x} = 1$ , find the value of  $x$ .

13. How many positive square numbers are factors of 1600?

14. Factorise  $4y^2 - 9$  and hence simplify  $\frac{8y-12}{4y^2-9}$ ,  $y \neq \pm \frac{3}{2}$ .