4.6

Practice A

In Exercises 1 and 2, write the next three terms of the arithmetic sequence.

1. First term: 3

Common difference: 11

2. First term: 15

Common difference: -4

In Exercises 3-6, find the common difference of the arithmetic sequence.

6. 2,
$$2\frac{1}{4}$$
, $2\frac{1}{2}$, $2\frac{3}{4}$, ...

In Exercises 7 and 8, graph the arithmetic sequence.

In Exercises 9 and 10, determine whether the sequence is arithmetic. If so, find the common difference.

In Exercises 11–14, write an equation for the *n*th term of the arithmetic sequence. Then find a_{10} .

13.
$$4\frac{1}{2}$$
, 6, $7\frac{1}{2}$, 9, ...

14.
$$\frac{2}{5}$$
, $\frac{4}{5}$, $\frac{6}{5}$, $\frac{8}{5}$, ...

- **15.** The first term of an arithmetic sequence is 6. The common difference of the sequence is two-thirds the first term. Write the next three terms of the sequence.
- **16.** The height (in feet) of the water in a tank each hour after opening its drain can be estimated by the sequence in the table.

Hours after opening drain	1	2	3	4
Height (feet)	18	15	12	9

- **a.** Write a function that represents the arithmetic sequence.
- **b.** Find and interpret the seventh term.
- **c.** Would the eighth term apply in this situation?