cate the answer choice that best completes the statement or answers the

1. If
$$f(x) = x^2 - x + 4$$
, evaluate the difference quotient $\frac{f(a+h) - f(a)}{h}$

a.
$$2a + h - 4$$

b.
$$2a - 4$$

c.
$$2a - h - 4$$

d.h

e. none of these

Sep 2nd 5:06:31 pm

Nice to see you again. ② A tutor will be with you any moment.

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TUTOR FOUND, NOW REVIEWING PROBLEM

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Hi Kathleen! I'm Ms.Raman and I'll be helping you out.

Sep 2nd 5:07:11 pm ✓ (Greets student by name and introduces herself by last name)

Hello

Sep 2nd 5:07:23 pm

Let's work together on this problem.

Sep 2nd 5:07:26 pm ✓ C2: Use of "we" language

How far have you progressed in solving it?

Sep 2nd 5:07:31 pm ✓ A1: Determine the student's progress

Not far. I for got how to do quotient

Sep 2nd 5:08:15 pm

(Student proactively shares understanding of relevant concepts)

Okay, to start off, we just need to find the expressions for f(a+h) and f(a), and substitute them in the given equation.

Sep 2nd 5:08:58 pm ✓ B2: Explain approach upfront

Do I just substitute f(x) in for the a's?

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Yes, since we are already given f(x), what might f(a) be?

Sep 2nd 5:09:28 pm ✓ C2: Guiding question

 X^2-x+4

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Almost there! f(x) is given to be x^2-x+4 .

Sep 2nd 5:10:18 pm ✓ C1: Tutor redirects student's mistake without causing stress

So how might we find the expression for f(a) from this?

Sep 2nd 5:10:28 pm ✓ C2: Guiding question

Would I put that in for the a's into the difference quotient?

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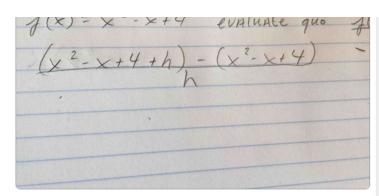
Yes, to get f(a), we need to substitute 'a' in place of 'x' in the expression for f(x).

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Does that make sense?

Sep 2nd 5:12:10 pm ✓ C1: Check with the student to ensure understanding

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Very close! Good effort here, but let's go over this step once more.

Slowest response Sep 2nd 5:14:57 pm 🗸 C2: Acknowledge student mistake without causing stress / C1: Adapt to student's needs

We are told that $f(x) = x^2-x+4$.

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So if we need to find f(a), we need to substitute a=x in the above equation.

Sep 2nd 5:15:20 pm ✓ B2: Break down concept further to ensure understanding

So we would get $f(a) = a^2 - a + 4$

Sep 2nd 5:15:33 pm (Note: Ideally the student would have completed this step independently.)

Does this step make sense?

Sep 2nd 5:15:40 pm ✓ C1: Check with the student to ensure understanding

Oh so I use the a variable instead of x?

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That's right!:)

Sep 2nd 5:16:14 pm ✓ C2: Encouraging words / punctuation

If we need to find f(1) for example, we would substitute x=1 in the equation to get $f(1) = 1^2 - 1 + 4$

Sep 2nd 5:16:59 pm ✓ B2: Present similar example to demonstrate concept

Does this example make sense?

Sep 2nd 5:17:11 pm ✓ C1: Check with the student to ensure understanding

Yes

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Great! So now, we have found f(a). We still need to find f(a+h). How might we do that?

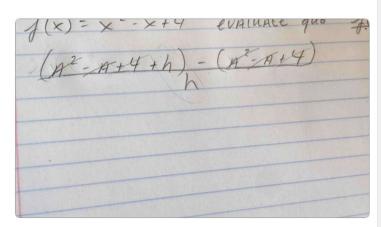
Sep 2nd 5:17:47 pm ✓ C2: Use of "we" language / C3: Open question

Is the answer h?

Sep 2nd 5:18:07 pm

Could you send across a snap of your work that leads to this answer?

Sep 2nd 5:18:36 pm ✓ C3: Ask student to justify their thought process



Sep 2nd 5:19:27 pm

Almost there! Let's take another look at how to find f(a+h).

Sep 2nd 5:19:51 pm 🗸 C2: Acknowledge student's mistake without causing stress / C1: Adapt to student's needs

When we have $f(x) = x^2-x+4$, what should we substitute in place of 'x' to get f(a+h)?

Sep 2nd 5:20:17 pm ✓ C3: Guiding question

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Close! Since we need to find f(a+h), we need to substitute the whole of "a+h" in place of 'x'.

Sep 2nd 5:21:23 pm ✓ B2: Break down step / C1: Adapt to student's needs

Does that make sense?

Sep 2nd 5:21:31 pm ✓ C1: Check with the student to ensure understanding

No..

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Okay, let me give you an example here.

Sep 2nd 5:22:00 pm ✓ B2: Present a similar example to demonstrate concept / C1: Adapt to student's need's

Suppose $f(x) = x^2$.

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If we need to find f(3), we would substitute '3' in place of 'x' to get $f(3) = 3^2 = 9$

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And suppose we need to find f(r+3), then we would substitute "r+3" in place of 'x'.

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So f(r+3) would be $(r+3)^2 = r^2 + 9 + 6r$

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Does this example make sense?

Sep 2nd 5:23:55 pm ✓ C1: Check with the student to ensure understanding

Yes

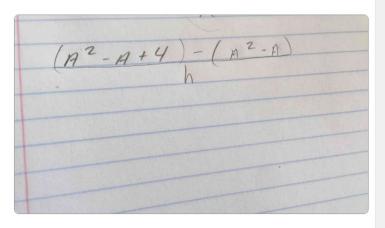
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Awesome!

Sep 2nd 5:24:22 pm ✓ C2: Encouraging words / punctuation

So in our present problem, how might we find f(a+h)?

Sep 2nd 5:24:33 pm ✓ C2: Invite student to take next step



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Close! We have $f(x) = x^2-x+4$

Sep 2nd 5:25:48 pm ✓ C2: Redirect student's mistake without causing stress

We earlier saw that f(a) is obtained by substituting 'a' in place of 'x' in this entire equation.

Sep 2nd 5:26:10 pm ✓ B2: Tie steps together

So we got $f(a) = a^2 - a + 4$

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Are you clear till this point?

Sep 2nd 5:26:36 pm ✓ C1: Check with the student to ensure understanding

Yes

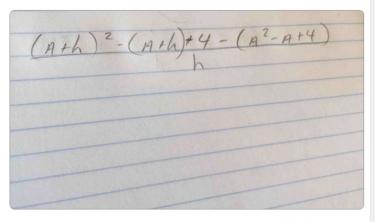
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Now, to get f(a+h), we need to substitute "a+h" in place of 'x' wherever 'x' is found in this equation.

Sep 2nd 5:27:19 pm ✓ B2: Break down step / C1: Adapt to student's needs

So what might we get just by substituting a+h instead of 'x'?

Sep 2nd 5:27:56 pm ✓ C2: Invite student to take next step



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Excellent work!

Sep 2nd 5:29:25 pm ✓ C2: Encouraging words

What might this evaluate to?

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Yay!

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Could you go ahead and simplify this equation?

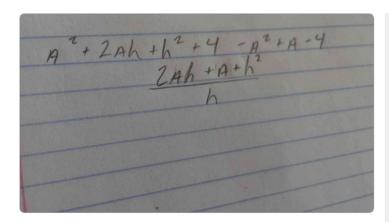
Sep 2nd 5:30:24 pm ✓ C3: Invite student to proceed independently

I'm working on it

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Sure, please proceed.:)

Sep 2nd 5:31:04 pm ✓ C2: Friendly punctuation



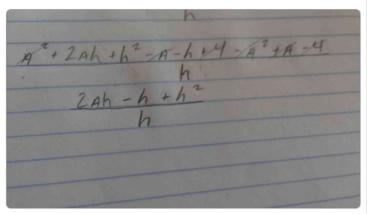
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Oh no I didn't finish.

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Good job! Although, looks like you subtly missed the '-(a+h)' on the numerator. Shall we add that up too?

Sep 2nd 5:35:48 pm ✓ C2: Tutor redirects student's mistake without causing stress



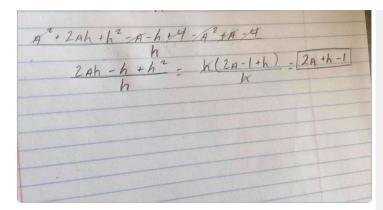
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Brilliant!:)

Sep 2nd 5:37:37 pm ✓ C2: Encouraging language / friendly punctuation

What might this result in after division?

Sep 2nd 5:37:45 pm ✓ B2: Guide student towards next step



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Well done! You're absolutely right!:)

Sep 2nd 5:39:13 pm ✓ C2: Encouraging language

Do you have doubts in any part of the solution?

Sep 2nd 5:39:27 pm ✓ C1: Check with the student to ensure understanding

No I don't think so.

Sep 2nd 5:39:53 pm

Great! Hope you feel confident enough to do similar problems easily in future! :)

Sep 2nd 5:40:09 pm

Is there any other problem I might assist you with?

Sep 2nd 5:40:16 pm ✓ Tutor checks to make sure student doesn't need further help

I just have to remember to substitute (a+h) and not just a in for x.

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That's a good way to summarize what we learnt in this problem!

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Thank you so much!

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You're always welcome!:) Is there any other problem I might assist you with?

Sep 2nd 5:41:15 pm ✓ C2: Warm send-off

Hmm not right now thank you.

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Thanks for using Yup! Have a good one!:)

Sep 2nd 5:41:48 pm ✓ Tutor thanks student for using Yup

You too.

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Student ended session

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