

# Introducing Magic Squares

NCTM Standards 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, 9

**Find all the sums and answer the questions.**

**1**

2	9	4	→	_____
7	5	3	→	_____
6	1	8	→	_____
↓	↓	↓	↘	_____

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Which sum occurs most often?

How many times does it occur?

Is this a **magic square**?

**2**

4	3	8	→	_____
9	5	1	→	_____
2	7	6	→	_____
↓	↓	↓	↘	_____

Which sum occurs most often?

How many times does it occur?

Is this a **magic square**?

**3**

1	8	6	→	_____
3	5	7	→	_____
4	9	2	→	_____
↓	↓	↓	↘	_____

Which sum occurs most often?

How many times does it occur?

Is this a **magic square**?

**4**

1	2	3	→	_____
4	5	6	→	_____
7	8	9	→	_____
↓	↓	↓	↘	_____

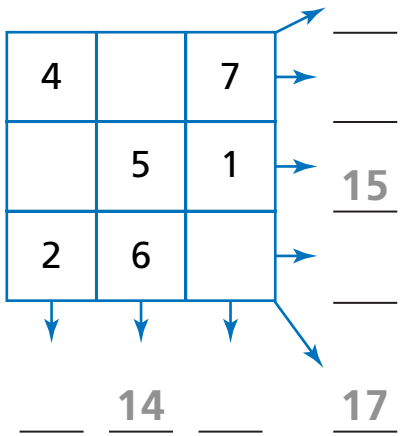
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Is this a **magic square**?

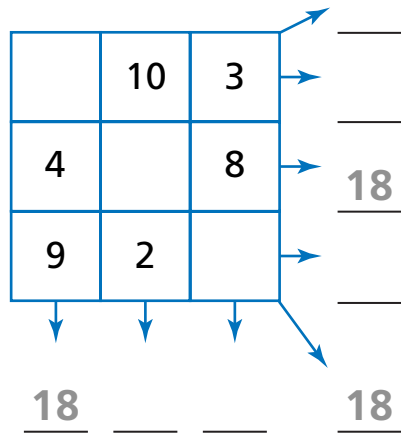
Which arrays are magic squares? Score each array by finding all the sums, seeing which sum occurs most often, and counting the number of times that sum occurs.

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Score:  Magic?

6



Score:  Magic?



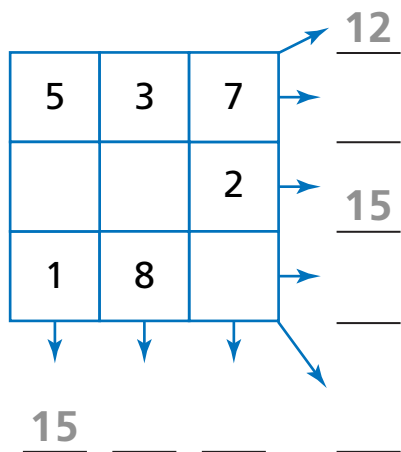
7 Moniqua says she can make a magic square by adding ten to each of the numbers in a magic square. Do you agree or disagree? Explain your answer using numbers, pictures, or words.

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**8 Challenge**



Score:

Magic?