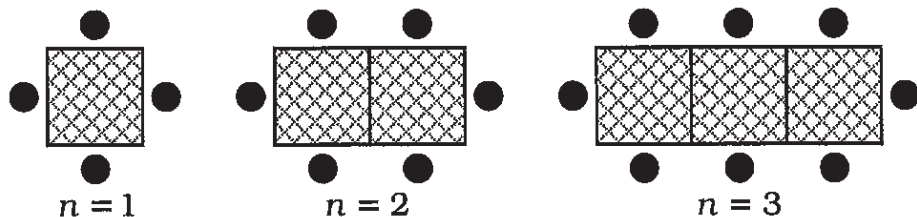


# How Does a Backward Poet Write?

For each situation, complete the table and graph.  
For table cells with letters, write the letter in the corresponding box at right.

23	18	15	6	31	12	7
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## Situation #1. Arranging Tables.



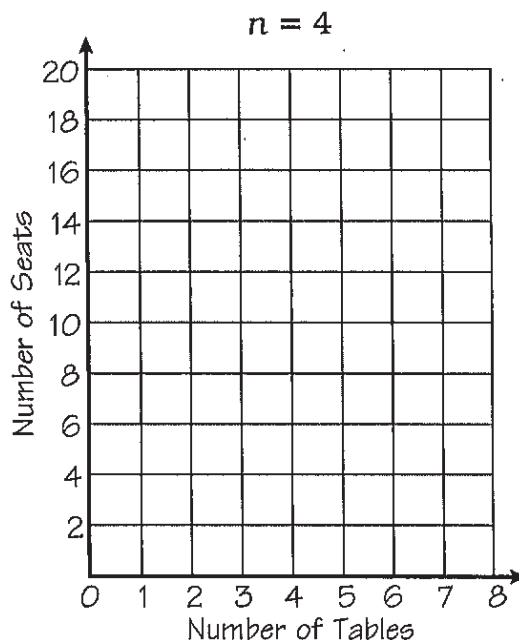
A square table has one seat on each side. Square tables are pushed together to make banquet tables. Draw banquet table #4 in the pattern above. Then complete the table and graph to show how the number of seats varies with the number of tables that are pushed together.

Let  $n$  = Number of tables  
 $S$  = Number of seats

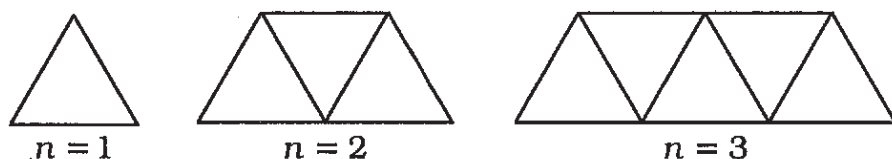
**Equation:**

$S =$

$n$	$S$
1	
2	E
3	
4	
5	S
6	
7	
8	N



## Situation #2. Building Bridges.



These bridges are constructed using rods to make equilateral triangles. The length of a bridge is the number of rods used to construct the bottom span. Draw bridge #4 in the pattern above. Then complete the table and graph to show how the number of rods used varies with the length of the bridge.

Let  $n$  = Length of bridge  
 $R$  = Number of rods

**Equation:**

$R =$

$n$	$R$
1	
2	E
3	
4	V
5	
6	I
7	
8	R

