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History of the  
Golden Ratio &  
Fibonacci Numbers**

Study Guide

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# PowerPoint Interaction – Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Intro

## Slide #3 The Golden Number

1. Write out the golden number below to 3 decimal places.

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2. What kind of number is the golden number? Circle all that apply.

Rational    irrational    infinite    finite

## Slide #5 History of the Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Numbers (2574 – 1200 AD).

3. In 1200 A.D., the \_\_\_\_\_ series was written about by Leonardo of Pisa aka Fibonacci & popularized in west. Fill in the blank.

## Slide #10 Euclid of Alexandria, “the Father of Geometry” - 325–265 BC

4. During 300 BC, in Euclid’s book, Elements, he first recorded the golden ratio \_\_\_\_\_. Fill in the blank.

Definition    rabbits    photographs

## Slide #14 - Different Names of the Golden Number

List two different names for the golden ratio.

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

# **PowerPoint Interaction – Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Intro**

## **Slide #15 Fibonacci Numbers History – 6th century to 19th Century**

7. Who is credited with inventing the Fibonacci numbers and the Hindu-Arabic numbers (0, 1 – 9) we use today? Multiple choice.

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a. Ancient Europeans   b. Ancient Greeks   c. Ancient Indians

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8. 1202 AD – Leonardo of Pisano (aka Fibonacci) introduced India's number series to west in book "Liber Abaci" (page right) or Book of the Abacus, with the famous \_\_\_\_\_.  
Multiple choice.

a. Rabbit sequence   b. Sunflower sequence   c. Indian Sequence

## **Slide #16 The Fibonacci Number Series History Overview**

9. Write out the first 10 Fibonacci numbers in order below. **Hint:** Remember to add the first two subsequent numbers (numbers next to each other) to get the sum of the next number.

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## **PowerPoint Interaction – Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Intro**

### **Slide #19 Golden Number & Fibonacci Numbers History Timeline: Bonnet & Ohm**

10. Charles Bonnet pointed out \_\_\_\_\_ spiral phyllotaxis going clockwise and counter-clockwise were frequently two successive Fibonacci numbers. Multiple choice.

- a. nautilus    b. Parthenon    c. plant

## Journal Entry

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Directions: Select a topic from the PowerPoint lesson or web resources. Complete the information about it below.

### Sketch

#### 1). General Description

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#### 2). Size

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#### 3). Color(s)

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#### 4). Other interesting facts

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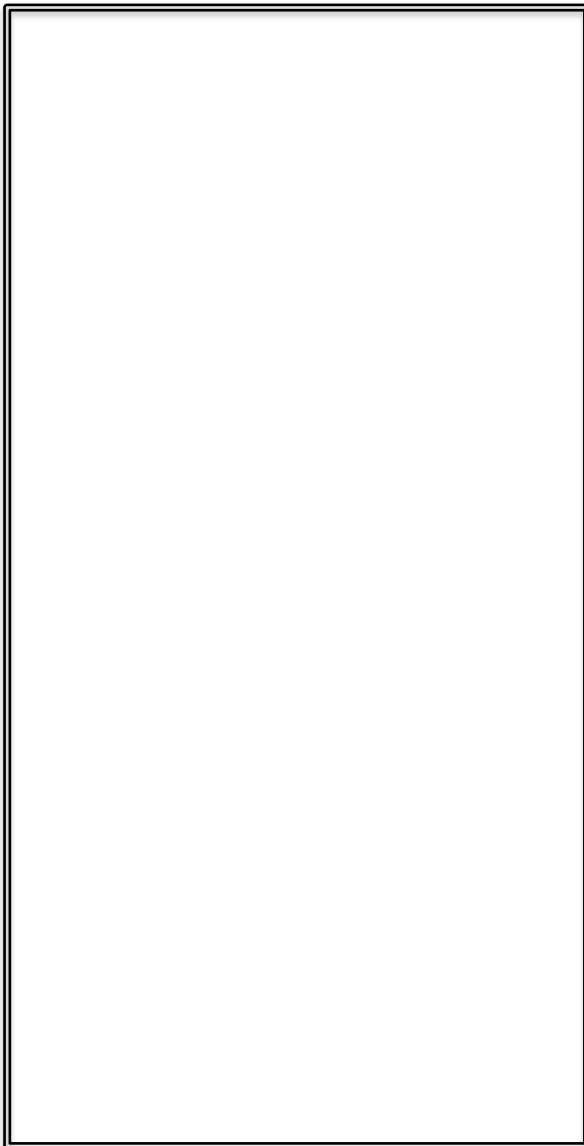
# Mathematician/MathArtist Journal Entry

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Mathematician/MathArtist: \_\_\_\_\_

**Directions:** Select a mathematician or a "MathArtist" (one who used or uses mathematics in their artwork). Follow the guidelines below.

## Sketch or Photos



## Details

Life work:

1). \_\_\_\_\_  
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Numbers & Geometric shapes used in work:

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Additional Interesting facts:

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## Natureglo's eScience Student Project Rubric:

**Usage: PowerPoints, posters & other written research projects**

Category	Criteria				Points
	4 Exemplary	3 Accomplished	2 Developing	1 Beginner	
<b>Accurate Research/ Information Gathering &amp; Citation</b>	All taken from several sources & cited in work	Most taken from sources & cited	Some taken from sources and cited	Little or none taken from sources and or not cited	
<b>Content</b>	Great number of interesting facts around topic	Many interesting or too many facts	Some important facts	Few or no facts	
<b>Graphics/ Sound/ Animation</b>	High quality; enhance understanding on every page. All borrowed graphics with source cited.	Many enhance understanding on most pages; most borrowed graphics cited.	Some enhance understanding; some cited	Zero, unrelated, very few or poor quality graphics and/or none cited	
<b>Organization &amp; Attractiveness</b>	Well organized and very attractive; demonstrates creative & logical sequencing and sentence structure	Mostly well organized and attractive; demonstrates logical sequencing and sentence structure	Somewhat organized and attractive, but some illogical sequencing and sentence structure	Unattractive and or weakly organized or disorganized	
<b>Grammar and Mechanics</b>	All correct	1 – 5 errors	5 – 10 errors	Frequent errors	
<b>Divide total points from 20 for grade.</b>			<b>Total Points/Grade:</b>		

**Introduction & History  
of the Golden Ratio  
& Fibonacci Numbers  
Quiz**

## **Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Intro – Quiz**

1. Write out the golden number below to 3 decimal places.

\_\_\_\_\_

2. What kind of number is the golden number? Circle all that apply.

Rational    irrational    infinite    finite

3. In 1200 A.D., the \_\_\_\_\_ series was written about by Leonardo of Pisa aka Fibonacci & popularized in west. Fill in the blank. Fill in the blank.

4. During 300 BC, in Euclid's book, Elements, he first recorded the golden ratio \_\_\_\_\_. Fill in the blank with multiple choice.

Definition    rabbits    photographs

List two different names for the golden ratio.

5. \_\_\_\_\_

6. \_\_\_\_\_

## **Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Intro – Quiz**

7. Who is credited with inventing the Fibonacci numbers and the Hindu-Arabic numbers (0, 1 – 9) we use today? Multiple choice.

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Multiple choice.

a. Rabbit sequence   b. Sunflower sequence   c. Indian Sequence

9. Write out the first 10 Fibonacci numbers in order below. **Hint:** Remember to add the first two subsequent numbers (numbers next to each other) to get the sum of the next number.

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## **Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Intro – Quiz**

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**PowerPoint  
Interaction & Quiz  
Answer Key**

# PowerPoint Interaction – Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Intro

## Slide #3 The Golden Number

1. Write out the golden number below to 3 decimal places. **1.618**
2. What kind of number is the golden number? Circle all that apply.

Rational  irrational  infinite  finite

## Slide #5 History of the Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Numbers (2574 – 1200 AD).

3. In 1200 A.D., the **Fibonacci number** series was written about by Leonardo of Pisa aka Fibonacci & popularized in west. Fill in the blank.

## Slide #10 Euclid of Alexandria, “the Father of Geometry” - 325–265 BC

4. During 300 BC, in Euclid’s book, Elements, he first recorded the golden ratio **a. definition** Multiple choice.
  - a. Definition
  - b. rabbits
  - c. photographs

## Slide #14 - Different Names of the Golden Number

List two different names for the golden ratio.

Student answers will vary but can include any two of the following choices:

**Golden mean, Golden section, Golden number, Golden ratio (most popular), Golden proportion, Golden cut, Extreme mean & ratio, Mean of Phidias, Divine section, Medial section, Divine proportion, Phi (also very popular)**

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8. 1202 AD – Leonardo of Pisano (aka Fibonacci) introduced India's number series to west in book "Liber Abaci" (page right) or Book of the Abacus, with the famous **a. Rabbit sequence**.
- a. Rabbit sequence   b. Sunflower sequence   c. Indian Sequence

## Slide #16 The Fibonacci Number Series History Overview

9. Write out the first 10 Fibonacci numbers in order below. **Hint:** Remember to add the first two subsequent numbers (numbers next to each other) to get the sum of the next number.

**0, 1, 1, 2, 3, 5, 8, 13, 21, 34**



## **PowerPoint Interaction – Golden Ratio & Fibonacci Intro**

### **Slide #19 Golden Number & Fibonacci Numbers History Timeline: Bonnet & Ohm**

10. Charles Bonnet pointed out **c. plant** spiral phyllotaxis going clockwise and counter-clockwise were frequently two successive Fibonacci numbers. Multiple choice.

- a. nautilus   b. Parthenon   **c. plant**