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Learning target: Apply an explicit linear depreciation formula to a practical question.

Linear depreciation subtracts a fixed amount per modelling step. Flat-rate depreciation uses a fixed amount per time period, while unit-cost depreciation uses a fixed amount per item produced or distance travelled. Specify what the index counts. A formula may remain algebraically valid after its financial interpretation has ended, so restrict its domain.

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Task 1. A $9600 machine loses $1200 each year. Write a recurrence, an explicit rule and values for years 0–4. When does the model reach zero?

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