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4. Complete the table below:

| Height of <br> pyramid | 2 <br> blocks | 3 <br> blocks | 4 <br> blocks | 5 <br> blocks | 6 <br> blocks | 7 <br> blocks | 8 <br> blocks | 9 <br> blocks | 10 <br> blocks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total <br> number of <br> blocks <br> needed |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

