

Question	Answer	Mark	Mark scheme	Additional guidance
15 (a)	$5n^2 + 2n - 4$	M1	<p>for a correct start to a method to find the nth term, eg constant 2nd differences and n^2 OR states $2a = 10$ or $3a + b = 17$</p>	<p>Need to see constant 2nd difference found and n^2 Condone use of a different variable throughout $a = 5$ or $b = 2$ implies M1</p>
		M1	<p>for working with $5n^2$, eg $5n^2$, and sequence $-2, 0, 2, \dots$ OR states $2a = 10$ and $3a + b = 17$</p>	<p>$5n^2 + 2n$ implies M2 $5n^2$ is implied by $5, 20, 45, \dots$ $a = 5$ and $b = 2$ implies M2</p>
		A1	<p>for $5n^2 + 2n - 4$ oe</p>	<p>Condone $+-4$</p>
(b)	1.2	M1	<p>for substituting values, eg $4 = k \times 9 + k$ or $4 = k(9 + 1)$ or $(k = 0.4)$</p>	
		M1	<p>for $(u_3 =)$ “0.4” $\times 4 +$ “0.4” $(= 2)$</p>	
		A1	<p>for 1.2 oe</p>	