

	$x^2 + \frac{412}{27}x - \frac{436}{27} = (0)$	
	For the correct 3TQ. Must have = 0. $27x^2 + 412x - 436 = 0$ Must have integer coefficients. Accept a multiple of this.	A1 [6]
Total 14 marks		

Question	Scheme	Marks
9(a)	$ar^2 = \frac{27}{2}$ $a + ar + \frac{27}{2} = \frac{57}{2} \left(\Rightarrow a + ar = 15 \Rightarrow a(1+r) = 15 \Rightarrow a = \frac{15}{1+r} \right)$ $\left(\frac{15}{1+r} \right) r^2 = \frac{27}{2} \Rightarrow 30r^2 - 27r - 27 = 0 \Rightarrow (10r^2 - 9r - 9 = 0)$	B1 M1 M1
	ALT $ar^2 = \frac{27}{2}$ $\frac{57}{2} = \frac{a(r^3-1)}{r-1}$ $\frac{57}{2} = \frac{27}{2r^2} \times \frac{(r^3-1)}{r-1} \Rightarrow 30r^3 - 57r^2 + 27 = 0$ $(\Rightarrow 10r^3 - 19r^2 + 9 = 0)$	B1 M1 M1
	$r: 10r^2 - 9r - 9 = 0 \Rightarrow (5r+3)(2r-3) = 0 \Rightarrow r = \frac{3}{2}$ $a: a = \frac{15}{1+\frac{3}{2}} = 6$ $S_n = \sum_{r=1}^n \left('6' \div \frac{3}{2} \right) \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^r \Rightarrow S_n = \sum_{r=1}^n 4 \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^r *$	M1A1 A1 M1A1 cso [8]
(b)	$\frac{6(1.5^k - 1)}{1.5 - 1} > 50\,000$ $1.5^k > \frac{12\,503}{3} \Rightarrow \lg 1.5^k > \lg \frac{12\,503}{3}$ $k > \frac{\lg \frac{12\,503}{3}}{\lg \frac{3}{2}} \text{ or } k > \frac{\lg \frac{12\,503}{3}}{\lg 1.5} *$	M1 M1 A1 [cso] [3]

(c)	For $k > 20.556\dots$ so $k = 21$	B1 [1]
Total 12 marks		

Question	Scheme	Marks
9(a)	For stating, $ar^2 = \frac{27}{2}$	B1
	For summing the first three terms; $a + ar + \frac{27}{2} = \frac{57}{2} \left(\Rightarrow a + ar = 15 \Rightarrow a(1+r) = 15 \Rightarrow a = \frac{15}{1+r} \right)$ OR $\frac{57}{2} = \frac{a(r^3-1)}{r-1}$	M1
	For attempting to form a 3TQ using their two expressions for U_3 and S_3 $\left(\frac{15}{1+r} \right) r^2 = \frac{27}{2} \Rightarrow 30r^2 - 27r - 27 = 0 \Rightarrow (10r^2 - 9r - 9 = 0)$ OR For attempting to form a cubic using their two expressions for U_3 and S_3 $\frac{57}{2} = \frac{27}{2r^2} \times \frac{(r^3-1)}{r-1} \Rightarrow 30r^3 - 57r^2 + 27 = 0$	M1
	For attempting to solve their 3TQ (see general guidance). $10r^2 - 9r - 9 = 0 \Rightarrow (5r+3)(2r-3) = 0 \Rightarrow r = \dots$ OR If following the alt method then this mark is awarded for factorising the cubic into a linear expression and a 3TQ and attempting to solve their 3TQ. $(r-1)(10r^2 - 9r - 9) = 0 \Rightarrow (r-1)(5r+3)(2r-3) = 0$ $\Rightarrow r = \dots$	M1
	For the correct value of $r = \frac{3}{2}$	A1
	For the correct value of $a = \frac{15}{1+\frac{3}{2}} = 6$	A1
	For attempting to use their a and r to find the correct expression for S_n	

	$S_n = \sum_{r=1}^n \left('6' \div \frac{3}{2} \right) \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^r \Rightarrow S_n = \dots$ <p>OR</p> <p>For demonstrating that a particular value of r gives the correct term in the sequence.</p>	M1
	<p>For the correct expression $S_n = \sum_{r=1}^n 4 \left(\frac{3}{2} \right)^r$ *</p> <p>OR</p> <p>For demonstrating that a particular value of r gives the correct term in the sequence and commenting on a correct common ratio.</p>	A1 cso [8]
(b)	<p>For using the summation formula $> 50\,000$</p> $\frac{6(1.5^k - 1)}{1.5 - 1} > 50\,000$	M1
	<p>For rearranging the inequality to achieve,</p> $1.5^k > \frac{12\,503}{3}$ <p>and takes logs base 10 of both sides</p> $\lg 1.5^k > \lg \frac{12\,503}{3}$	M1
	<p>For using the laws of logs to make k the subject.</p> $k > \frac{\lg \frac{12\,503}{3}}{\lg \frac{3}{2}} \text{ or } k > \frac{\lg \frac{12\,503}{3}}{\lg 1.5} *$	A1 cso [3]
(c)	<p>For $k > 20.556 \dots \Rightarrow k = 21$</p>	B1 [1]
Total 12 marks		