A rowing club has a large number of members. A random sample of 12 of these members is taken and the pulse rate, x beats per minute (bpm), of each is measured after a 30-minute training session. A 98% confidence interval for the population mean pulse rate,  $\mu$  bpm, is calculated from the sample as  $64.22 < \mu < 68.66$ .

(a) Find the values of 
$$\sum x$$
 and  $\sum x^2$ . [6]

(b) State an assumption that is necessary for the confidence interval to be valid. [1]