A machine produces bolts for ceiling fans. The machine is set to produce bolts of length 26 mm. For a bolt to be usable, its length must be (26 ± 2) mm.

Length of bolt (b mm)

A sample of 100 bolts was taken.

The bolts were measured and the results summarised in the table below

Midpoint (x mm)

Frequency

21 < <i>b</i> ≤ 22	21.5	1
$22 < b \leqslant 23$	22.5	5
$23 < b \leqslant 24$	23.5	8
$24 < b \leqslant 25$	24.5	15
$25 < b \leqslant 26$	25.5	31
$26 < b \leqslant 27$	26.5	24
$27 < b \leqslant 28$	27.5	12
$28 < b \leqslant 29$	28.5	4
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(a) Estimate the proportion of bolts in this sample that are usable.

Given that $\sum x = 2560 \quad \sum x^2 = 65751$

- (c) find an estimate for
- - (i) the mean bolt length, (ii) the standard deviation of the bolt lengths.

(3)

(1)

(2)