| Question | Answer | Marks | AO | Guidance | |
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| 3 | 2 + 2d = 2r | B1 | 1.1 | Or for $a+2d = ar$ | |
| | $2+12d = 2r^2$ | B1 | 1.1 | Or for $a+12d = ar^2$ | |
| | $1+6d = (1+d)^2$ or $2+12d = 2(1+d)^2$ | M1* | 1.1 | Setting up an equation in d or r only – dependent on one B mark | $2+12(r-1)=2r^2$ |
| | $d^2 - 4d = 0 \Longrightarrow d = \dots$ | M1dep* | 1.1 | Solving their two-term quadratic equation in d (or three-term quadratic in r) | $r^{2}-6r+5=0$ (r-5)(r-1)=0 \Rightarrow r= |
| | d = 4 and as the common difference is positive the progression is an increasing sequence | A1 | 2.4 | Correct value for d and link to increasing sequence – must either say that d is positive (oe) or state at least the correct first four terms and comment that they are increasing | Condone no mention of $d \neq 0$ |
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| | Alternative method | | | | |
| | $\left(\frac{u_3}{u_2}\right) = \frac{2+12d}{2+2d}$ | B1 | | or for $\frac{u_3}{u_1}$ | |
| | $\left(\frac{u_2}{u_1}\right) = \frac{2+2d}{2}$ | B1 | | | |
| | $\frac{2+12d}{2+2d} = \frac{2+2d}{2}$ | M1* | | Setting up an equation in d only – dependent on one B mark | |
| | $d^2 - 4d = 0 \Longrightarrow d = \dots$ | M1dep* | | Solving their two-term quadratic equation in <i>d</i> | |
| | d = 4 and as the common difference is positive the progression is an increasing sequence | A1 | | As above | |