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**Directions:** Show all work.

1. [5 points] Prove for  $n \ge 0$ , we have  $\sum_{k=1}^{n} k(k+2) = \frac{1}{6}[n(n+1)(2n+7)].$ 

2. [5 points] Let t be a real number, let  $a_0 = 0$ , let  $a_1 = t$ , and let  $a_n = 3a_{n-1} - 2a_{n-2}$  for  $n \ge 2$ . Prove that for  $n \ge 0$ , we have that  $a_n = t(2^n - 1)$ .