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- (h) Prove that  $7(n + 8) + 5(n - 4)$  is always a multiple of 12.
- (i) Prove that  $(m + 2)^2 - m^2 - 12$  is always a multiple of 4.
- (j) Prove that the sum of three consecutive odd numbers is always a multiple of three.

- (k) Prove that the sum of the squares of any two positive odd integers is always even.
- (l) Prove that  $(3n + 1)^2 - (3n - 1)^2$  is always a multiple of 12 for all positive integer values of  $n$ .
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