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BUSINESS

Paper 1 Short Answer and Essay

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No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Section A Answer all questions. Section B Answer one question. You are advised to spend no more than 35 minutes on Section A.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Section A (Short Answer)

Answer all questions.

1	(a)	Define the term 'market research'.	[2]
	(b)	Briefly explain the limitations to a business of using secondary market research information	on. [3]
2	(a)	Define the term 'working capital'.	[2]
	(b)	Briefly explain the difference between revenue expenditure and capital expenditure.	[3]
3	Exp	lain why a mission statement might be important for a multinational business.	[5]
4	(a)	Define the term 'economies of scale'.	[2]
	(b)	Briefly explain two causes of diseconomies of scale.	[3]

Section B (Essay)

Answer one question only.

5	(a)	Analyse the strengths and weaknesses of a 'public limited company' legal structure business.	e for [8]
	(b)	Discuss how ethics may influence the decisions of private sector banks.	[12]
6	'Ma	slow's theory of motivation can ensure success for all businesses.'	
	Disc	cuss this statement.	[20]
7	(a)	Analyse the importance of a Unique Selling Point (USP) to a mobile (cell) phone manufact	urer. [8]
	(b)	Discuss how a retail business could improve customer relations.	[12]

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