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# **Generic Marking Principles**

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

#### GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

#### GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always whole marks (not half marks, or other fractions).

#### **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:**

# Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit
  is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme,
  referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

## **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:**

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

# **GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:**

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

#### GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

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# Social Science-Specific Marking Principles (for point-based marking)

# 1 Components using point-based marking:

Point marking is often used to reward knowledge, understanding and application of skills. We
give credit where the candidate's answer shows relevant knowledge, understanding and
application of skills in answering the question. We do not give credit where the answer shows
confusion.

#### From this it follows that we:

- **a** DO credit answers which are worded differently from the mark scheme if they clearly convey the same meaning (unless the mark scheme requires a specific term)
- **b** DO credit alternative answers/examples which are not written in the mark scheme if they are correct
- **c** DO credit answers where candidates give more than one correct answer in one prompt/numbered/scaffolded space where extended writing is required rather than list-type answers. For example, questions that require *n* reasons (e.g. State two reasons ...).
- **d** DO NOT credit answers simply for using a 'key term' unless that is all that is required. (Check for evidence it is understood and not used wrongly.)
- **e** DO NOT credit answers which are obviously self-contradicting or trying to cover all possibilities
- **f** DO NOT give further credit for what is effectively repetition of a correct point already credited unless the language itself is being tested. This applies equally to 'mirror statements' (i.e. polluted/not polluted).
- g DO NOT require spellings to be correct, unless this is part of the test. However spellings of syllabus terms must allow for clear and unambiguous separation from other syllabus terms with which they may be confused (e.g. Corrasion/Corrosion)

#### 2 Presentation of mark scheme:

- Slashes (/) or the word 'or' separate alternative ways of making the same point.
- Semi colons (;) bullet points (•) or figures in brackets (1) separate different points.
- Content in the answer column in brackets is for examiner information/context to clarify the marking but is not required to earn the mark (except Accounting syllabuses where they indicate negative numbers).

# 3 Calculation questions:

- The mark scheme will show the steps in the most likely correct method(s), the mark for each step, the correct answer(s) and the mark for each answer
- If working/explanation is considered essential for full credit, this will be indicated in the question paper and in the mark scheme. In all other instances, the correct answer to a calculation should be given full credit, even if no supporting working is shown.
- Where the candidate uses a valid method which is not covered by the mark scheme, award equivalent marks for reaching equivalent stages.
- Where an answer makes use of a candidate's own incorrect figure from previous working, the 'own figure rule' applies: full marks will be given if a correct and complete method is used. Further guidance will be included in the mark scheme where necessary and any exceptions to this general principle will be noted.

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#### 4 Annotation:

- For point marking, ticks can be used to indicate correct answers and crosses can be used to indicate wrong answers. There is no direct relationship between ticks and marks. Ticks have no defined meaning for levels of response marking.
- For levels of response marking, the level awarded should be annotated on the script.
- Other annotations will be used by examiners as agreed during standardisation, and the meaning will be understood by all examiners who marked that paper.

#### PREPARATION FOR MARKING

- 1 Make sure that you have completed the relevant training and have access to the RM Assessor Guide.
- 2 Make sure that you have read and understand the question paper, which you can download from https://support.rm.com/ca
- 3 Log in to RM Assessor then mark and submit the required number of practice and standardisation scripts. You will need to mark the standardisation scripts to the required accuracy in order to be approved for marking live scripts. You may be asked to re-mark them, or to mark a second sample, if you do not meet the required accuracy on your first attempt.

# **MARKING PROCESS**

- 1 Mark strictly to the FINAL mark scheme, applying the criteria consistently and the general marking principles outlined on the previous page.
- 2 If you are in doubt about applying the mark scheme, consult your Team Leader.
- Mark at a steady rate through the marking period. Do not rush, and do not leave too much until the end. If you anticipate a problem in meeting the deadline, contact your Team Leader immediately and the Examiners' Helpdesk.
- 4 Examiners will prepare a brief report on the performance of candidates to send to their Team Leader via email by the end of the marking period. The Examiner should note strengths seen in answers and common errors or weaknesses. Constructive comments on the question paper, mark scheme or procedures are also appreciated.

#### MARKING SPECIFICS

#### Crossed out work

- 1 All of a candidate's answers, *crossed out* or not, *optional* or not, must be marked.
- 2 The only response not to be marked is one that has been crossed out and <u>replaced</u> by another response for that exact same question.
- 3 Consequently, if a candidate has crossed out their response to an <u>optional</u> question and gone on to answer a <u>different</u> optional question then <u>both</u> attempts must be marked. The higher mark will be awarded by the system according to the rubric.

# 0 (zero) marks or NR (no response)

- Award **NR** if there is <u>nothing</u> at all written in answer to that question (often the case for optional questions).
- Award **NR** if there is a <u>comment</u> which is <u>not an attempt</u> at the question (e.g. 'can't do it' or 'don't know' etc.)
- 3 Award **NR** if there is a <u>symbol</u> which is <u>not an attempt</u> at the question, such as a dash or question mark.
- 4 Award **0** (zero) if there is any <u>attempt</u> at the question which <u>does not score marks</u>. This includes copying the question onto an Answer Booklet.

# Annotation

- 1 Every <u>question</u> must have <u>at least one</u> annotation, e.g. <NAQ> if it is an NR and <X> or <seen> if 0 marks are awarded.
- 2 Every page of a script must have at least one annotation, e.g. <BP> for a blank page.

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uestion	Answ	/er			Ma
1(a)(i)	Define the term 'service' (line 1).				
	Knowledge			Marks	
	A correct definition			2	
	A partial, vague or unfocused definition	1		1	
	No creditable content			0	
	<ul> <li>(1).</li> <li>An action (1) sold by business (1).</li> <li>A correct definition will include the follow</li> <li>something sold by a business / bou</li> </ul>	ving points:			
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Question	A	Answer		Marks	
1(a)(ii)	Explain the term 'sole trader' (line 1).				
	two marks):  unlimited liability shared legal identity with no continuity no requirement to produ accounts no shares/shareholders unincorporated likely to be a small busir the owner keeps all the has all the risk has full control	unlimited liability shared legal identity with business no continuity no requirement to produce or make available accounts no shares/shareholders unincorporated likely to be a small business the owner keeps all the profits or bears the losses has all the risk has full control makes all decisions themselves			
	A One individual or one persor single person)	1 mark			
	Exemplar Rationale		Marks		
	A sole trader is owned by one person (A) who has unlimited liability (B) and does not need to publish financial accounts (B).	All three elements	3		
	Owned and controlled by one person who bears the risk.	All three elements	3		
	A sole trader is owned by a single person (A) and does not have shareholders (B)	A and B	2		
	A one person business (A)	One mark only	1		
		B only, which cannot be awarded without the A mark.	0		
	Owned business.	Tautology	0		
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Question	Answer					
1(b)(i)	Refer to Fig 1.1 and any other relevant information. Calculate HB's share of the laundry service market.					
	Rationale	Marks				
	Correct answer with or without correct working or units.	4				
	Attempt using some of the correct figures.	3				
	Formula* and identification of correct numbers (i.e. 20% of 60 000).	2				
	Formula* or identification of correct numbers (i.e. 20% of 60 000).	1				
	No creditable content.	0				
	Content Formula $-\frac{\text{Current share of the market}}{\text{Total market size}} \times 100$ Total market = 60 000 households					
	Percentage who use a laundry service = 20%					
	20% of 60 000 = 12 000 households					
	$\frac{300 \text{ households}}{12000 \text{ households}} \times 100 = 2.5\%$					
	Answer = 2.5% (allow 2.5)					
	OFR					

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Question			An	swer	,			Marks
1(b)(ii)	Analyse	two factors which	n could a	ffect	the scale of HB.			8
	Level	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks		Analysis (4 marks)	Marks		
	2b	Shows understanding of two factors which could affect the scale of a business in context	4	APP + APP	Good analysis of two factors which could affect the scale of a business in context	4	DEV + DEV	
	2a	Shows understanding of one factor which could affect the scale of a business in context	3	АРР	Good analysis of one factor which could affect the scale of a business in context	3	DEV	
	1b	Shows knowledge of two factors which could affect the scale of a business	2	K + K	Limited analysis of <b>two</b> factors which could affect the scale of a business	2	AN + AN	
	1a	Shows knowledge of one factor which could affect the scale of a business	1	×	Limited analysis of <b>one</b> factor which could affect the scale of a business	1	AN	
	0		No c	redita	ble content			
	Conten	t						
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Question	Answer	Marks
1(b)(ii)	<ul> <li>Context may include:</li> <li>Karen is a sole trader – limited availability of finance to purchase washing machines, irons etc.</li> <li>Machinery – Karen only owns two washing machines, two dryers and one iron</li> <li>The use of washing machine / dryer / iron – affects the batch size of washing</li> <li>The use of batch production</li> <li>The time HB takes to do a load of washing (two hours)</li> <li>The transport used by Karen (van) and the amount of laundry she can carry</li> <li>Karen as an entrepreneur</li> <li>The new worker</li> <li>Analysis may include:</li> <li>The impact this factor may have on the scale of HB</li> <li>The factor may (or have the potential to) increase HB's scale</li> <li>The factor may (or have the potential to) decrease HB's scale</li> <li>Development of this affect may be on HB's revenue, costs and/or profit or another likely objective of HB, such as expansion or the industrial market.</li> </ul>	

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Question		Answer		Marks
1(c)		e appropriate method of recruitment for Karen to for to do collections and deliveries.	ind a new	:
	Level	Knowledge and Application	Marks	
	2 (APP)	Explanation of an appropriate method of recruitment in context	2	
	1 (K)	Identification of a method of recruitment	1	
	0	No creditable content	0	
	<ul> <li>Job adden</li> <li>Job cell</li> <li>Local of the Recruit</li> <li>Person</li> <li>Social of the Require</li> <li>Require</li> <li>HB ope</li> <li>Laundr</li> <li>No othe</li> <li>No spe</li> <li>Knowled</li> </ul>	online job websites tment agencies ral recommendations media recruitment		
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Question	Answer							
1(d)	Evaluate appropriate promotion methods for HB to target the hotel laundry market.							
	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks	Analysis and Evaluation (7 marks)		Marks	Annotation		
				Justified evaluation based on arguments in context	7	EVAL + EVAL + EVAL		
				Developed evaluation based on arguments in context	6	EVAL + EVAL		
				An evaluative statement based on arguments in context	5	EVAL		
	Shows understanding of two promotion methods in context	4	APP + APP	Arguments based on two promotion methods in context	4	DEV + DEV		
	Shows understanding of one promotion method in context	3	АРР	Argument based on one promotion method in context	3	DEV		
	Knowledge of two promotion methods	2	* *	Limited analysis of two promotion methods	2	AN + AN		
	Shows knowledge of one promotion method	1	×	Limited analysis of one promotion method	1	AN		
	1	No creditable content 0						
	Content Knowledge may include:  Above the line; advertising (TV, radio, newspaper, etc.)  Below the line; direct promotion, website, leaflets, etc.  Through the line; social media, viral promotion, etc.  Informational and persuasive methods							

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(d)	<ul> <li>Context may include:         <ul> <li>Lack of finance, due to being a sole trader</li> <li>Small business</li> <li>Hotel/industrial market (B2B)</li> <li>Data from Table 1.1</li></ul></li></ul>	

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Question			Answer			Marks
1(d)	Examples of h	ow an answer c	ould develop ar	nd how it should	be annotated.	
	Personal selling (K)	Karen could visit each hotel which does not have its own laundry service. (APP)	This should allow Karen to explain all the advantages of her service and answer the managers questions. (AN)	This might make the hotels more willing to use HB's service. (DEV)	Personal selling is likely to be a better promotion method than direct mail. (EVAL)  This is because	
	Direct marketing (K)	Karen could send details of her service to the 14 hotels in town P. (APP)	A relatively low cost method because there are only 14 hotels. (AN)	But it may be seen as junk mail and ignored by the hotels, so HB will not gain any new customers. (DEV)	Karen can explain the USP of HB and try to convince the hotel to use her service. (EVAL)  However, it depends on whether Karen is a good salesperson. If she is not good at selling her service, then it could be a waste of time and money. (EVAL)	

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Question	Answer					
2(a)(i)	Define the term 'market' (line 6).					
	Knowledge			Marks		
	A correct definition			2		
	A partial, vague or unfocused definition			1		
	No creditable content			0		
	Content Consumers who want a product/service / t (1) from different types/groups/segments of willing/able to pay for it (1).  The term 'market' has a number of different definition can be used.  The most common definition (as a means)  A system/place/facility whereby produly Where businesses and consumers (1)  However other definitions may include:  Market as a group of potential customers for the customers/consumers (1) who may (1)  The businesses (1) who are competing The group of people (1) who the busing	of consument meaning of trade) is cts are bot trade (1) for a product ay potentiant of the consumption of th	ers (1) who are gs. Any legitim s likely to inclu ught (1) and s act: ally purchase a	e nate ude: sold (1)		
	<ul> <li>Market as a verb, i.e. to market a product</li> <li>The combination/mix of decisions (1) that a business uses to target a group of customers (1)</li> </ul>					
	Exemplar	Marks	Rationale			
	Where buyers and sellers come to trade.	2	A correct de	finition.		
	Where you exchange goods and services	2	A correct de	finition	Marks 2	
	The market is a group of businesses	1	An idea of the (from the burn point of view selling/comp	sinesses		

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Question	Ans	wer			Marks		
2(a)(ii)	Explain the term 'profit margin' (line 6).						
	Award one mark for each point of explanation:						
	Rationale			Marks			
	C Example or some other way o understanding – i.e. a use of p different profit margins – gross	rofit marg	ins, or two	1			
	B Understanding of the concept of a profit/percentage)	of a profit	margin (in terms	1			
	A Understanding of profit			1			
	A profit margin is the difference between minus costs (1) expressed as a proport used to determine/compare performance. Any profit margin is acceptable (gross, ARA	tion of revice (1).	enue/divided by re				
2(a)(ii)	Exemplar	Mark	Rationale				
	Net profit/revenue × 100. It can be used to compare business performance.	3	A, B and C				
	It is the proportion of revenue that is profit. A 15% profit margin means that for every \$1 of revenue, the business makes \$0.15 profit.	3	A, B and C				
	Grossprofit (×100)	2	A formula gains the A and B marks. Could be expressed as a ratio, not percentage.				
	The proportion of revenue that is profit.	2	Although there is explicit understated profit, if a candid gains the B marthey also gain the mark.	anding of date k, then			
	It is the difference between costs and revenue.	1	Understanding of but no the marg				
	It is how much profit a business makes.	0	No understandir profit or the mar				

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Question	Answer		Marks			
2(b)(i)	Calculate the total profit made from selling oysters in 2020.					
	Rationale	Marks				
	Correct answer with or without correct working or \$	2				
	Correct calculation of the profit for restaurants <b>or</b> local customers	1				
	No creditable content	0				
	Content					
	15% of \$100 000 = \$15 000 25% of \$150 000 = \$37 500					
	Total profit = \$52 500 (2)					

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Question		Answer		Marks
2(b)(ii)	_	wo possible reasons why the profit margin for the coshigher than the profit margin for the industrial marl		4
	Level	Knowledge and Application	Marks	
	2b (APP+ APP)	Explanation of two possible reasons why the profit margin for the local consumer market is higher than the profit margin for the industrial market	4	
	2a (APP)	Explanation of one possible reason why the profit margin for the local consumer market is higher than the profit margin for the industrial market	3	
	1b (K+K)	Identification of two possible reasons for different profit margins	2	
	1a (K)	Identification of one possible reason for different profit margins	1	
	0	No creditable content	0	
	• Cons - c - b - b - c - b - c - c - c - c - c - c - c - c - c - c	sumers may be willing to pay a higher price (K) of \$3 per oyster. (APP) pecause oysters are a premium product. (APP) pecause consumers are purchasing customer service as the oysters (visit the farm). (APP) pecause they do not buy in bulk. (APP) pecause they do not buy in bulk. (APP) pecause the consumer market may be subsidised by the industrial market. (APP) pecause the consumer market is 50% bigger, but may or allocated half of the fixed costs. (APP) pecause the restaurant industry is very competitive (many estaurants). (APP) pecause each restaurant buys in bulk. (APP) pecause there are many substitute foods that the restaurants. (APP) pecause the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a professively market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession market may be subsidired to profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a profession and the restaurant must re-sell the oysters for a	larger hly be	
	- b	strial market may have <b>higher costs</b> (K) because LO have to transport the Oysters to the restaura because restaurants use the website, which may be an a cost to LO (APP)		

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Question			Ans	swer				Marks
2(c)	Analyse to LO.	e why <u>two</u> of the ele	ments of	f the	triple bottom line a	e impor	tant	8
	Level	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks		Analysis (4 marks)	Mark s		
	2b	Shows understanding of two elements of the triple bottom line in context	4	APP + APP	Good analysis of <b>two</b> elements of the triple bottom line in context	4	DEV + DEV	
	2a	Shows understanding of one element of the triple bottom line in context	3	АРР	Good analysis of the importance of <b>one</b> element of the triple bottom line in context	3	DEV	
	1b	Shows knowledge of <b>two</b> elements of the triple bottom line	2	X + X	Limited analysis of the importance of <b>two</b> elements of the triple bottom line	2	AN + AN	
	1a	Shows knowledge of <b>one</b> element of the triple bottom line	1	×	Limited analysis of the importance of <b>one</b> element of the triple bottom line	1	NA	
	0	No creditable conte	nt	•				

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(c)	Content: Knowledge includes:	
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Question				Answer			Marks
2(d)				relevant information. Re e. Justify your recomme			11
	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks	Annotation	Analysis and Evaluation (7 marks)	Marks	Annotation	
				Justified recommendation based on arguments of two factors in context	7	EVAL + EVAL + EVAL	
				Developed recommendation based on arguments of two factors in context	6	EVAL + EVAL	
				An evaluative statement/recommend ation based on arguments of two factors in context	5	EVAL	
	Shows understanding of two factors affecting location in context	4	APP + APP	Argument based on two factors in context	4	DEV + DEV	
	Shows understanding of one factor affecting location in context	3	АРР	Argument based on one factor in context	3	DEV	
	Shows knowledge of two factors affecting location	2	* *	Limited analysis of two factors affecting location	2	AN + AN	
	Shows knowledge of one factor affecting location	1	¥	Limited analysis of one factor affecting location	1	AN	
	No creditable conte	ent					

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(d)	<ul> <li>Content Knowledge may include: <ul> <li>Any factor that may affect the location of a business.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Application may include: <ul> <li>LO is a private limited company (limited finance)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Consumer and industrial (restaurant) markets</li> <li>The new location is to be a second location – it does not replace the original LO location</li> <li>Data in Table 2.2</li> </ul>	
	Analysis may include: Location A  Used to be an oyster farm – less time and cost to set up for LO  Lower purchase price – less finance needed to purchase  Lower start-up costs – LO could reduce price and/or increase profit  Lower operating costs – increased profitability.	
	<ul> <li>Location B</li> <li>Much closer than Location A – lower costs, e.g. transportation, management, are easier</li> <li>Can produce 50% more oysters than Location A – more profit in long-term? If there is the demand / additional oysters are sold at a good price</li> <li>Higher operating costs, but lower variable cost of production (\$1.33 per oyster compared with \$1.5 at Location A)</li> </ul>	
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Question	Answer								
2(d)	Examples of how an answer could develop and how it should be annotated.								
	K	APP	AN	DEV	EVAL				
	Previous use (K)	Location A is already an oyster farm (APP)	Which may mean that LO can start selling oysters more quickly and keep the costs low. (AN)	Which may allow LO to increase their profits. (DEV)	Location A is the better option for LO. (EVAL)  This is because there is less risk involved since the costs are lower. (EVAL)  However, it depends on whether LO can make immediate use of the extra capacity since Location B could actually produce much higher output and profit in the long run. (EVAL)				
	Output (K)	Location B can produce 50% more oysters than Location A.	Which would allow LO to increase their sales more than	Allowing the business to expand faster. (DEV)					

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