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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.

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#### 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 <a href="https://support.rm.com/ca">https://support.rm.com/ca</a>
- 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)

- 1 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	Answe	er			Mark			
1(a)(i)	Define the term 'labour intensive' (line 8).							
	Knowledge			Marks				
	A correct definition			2				
	A partial, vague or unfocused definition			1				
	No creditable content			0				
	equipment.  A correct definition will include the following the followin	lowing no	inte:					
	A correct definition will include the fol     use of a <u>high number</u> of employees/r     as opposed to a high level of capital	nanual/woi (no/limited	kers machinery inv	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·				
	A correct definition will include the fol     use of a high number of employees/r     as opposed to a high level of capital      Exemplar	manual/wor (no/limited Marks	kers machinery inv Ration	ale				
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	A correct definition will include the fol  use of a high number of employees/r  as opposed to a high level of capital  Exemplar  Using a higher proportion of employees than capital.  When something is made by people	manual/wor (no/limited Marks	Ration Both elemer covered Both elemer	ale ats				
	A correct definition will include the fol  use of a high number of employees/r  as opposed to a high level of capital  Exemplar  Using a higher proportion of employees than capital.  When something is made by people instead of capital.	manual/wor (no/limited Marks 2 2	Ration Both element covered Both element covered	ale ats				

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Question	Answer							
1(a)(ii)	Explain the term 'co-operative' (line 1).							
	Award one mark for each point of explanation:							
	C Example or some other way of she understanding, e.g. bulk buying, c motivational, slow decision-making achievement of economies of scal types of co-operative (worker and	1 mark						
	B Knowledge of the operation of a co-operative:  Responsibilities are shared Owners may contribute to the running/operation/control of the business Shared decision-making All members have one vote Profits are shared							
	A Knowledge of the <b>ownership</b> of a co-operative:  Owned / financed by workers / customers / members							
	Note: Using the case as an example is repetition and not rewardable as the C mark A and B must be awarded before C mark can be given.  Content:							
	A co-operative is a business structure who The profits are shared with workers. Work manage the business: they may vote for E such as worker co-operatives, workers may be such as worker to the such as worker to the such as worker to the such as workers are such as workers.	ers (ownei Directors. Ir	rs) do not ha n smaller co-	ve to operatives,				
	Exemplar	Ratio	nale					
	Members (A) own a co-operative and share the running (B) of the business. Co-operatives can be slow when making decisions (C).	3	A, B and C					
	A co-operative can be owned by customers or workers (A) who will each have a vote (B). Because they own it, they are motivated for it to do well (C).							
	A co-operative has shared ownership by workers (A) and responsibilities (B)	2	A and B					

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Question	Answer						
1(a)(ii)	Exemplar	Mark	Rationale				
	Members (A) who join together to benefit from bulk buying	1	A only – cannot award C without both A and B				
	A co-operative is made up of people who share the responsibilities of the business (B). Each person has a vote, and the decision-making is shared.	1	Three points but all from B, so only one mark.				
	ARA						

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Question	Answ	ver		Marks				
1(b)(i)	Refer to Table 1.2. Calculate the profit made by FP in April 2022.							
	Rationale		Marks					
	Correct answer with or without correct	t working or \$	4					
	Three correct stages in calculation		3					
	Two correct stages in calculation		2					
	Formula (may be implied) or one corre	ect stage in calculation	1					
	No creditable content		0					
	TR - TVC - TFC  400 × \$10 = \$4000 300 × \$20 = \$6000 150 × \$35 = \$5250 TR = \$15 250 (1)  400 × \$8 = \$3200 300 × \$10 = \$3000 150 × \$15 = \$2250 TVC = \$8450 (1)  \$2000 + \$2000 + \$2000 = \$6000 (1) (TFC)  \$15 250 - \$8450 - \$6000 = \$800 (1)  Answer = \$800 (4)	Method 2 Small (\$10 × 400) - (\$8 × 400) - \$2000 = \$4000 - \$3200 - \$2000 = \$4000 - \$3200 - \$2000 = \$1200 (1)  Medium (\$20 × 300) - (\$10 × 300) \$2000 = \$6000 - \$3000 - \$2000 = \$1000 (1)  Large (\$35 × 150) - (\$15 × 150) \$2000 = \$5250 - \$2250 - \$2000 = \$1000 (1) -\$1200 + \$1000 + \$1000 \$800 (1)  Method 3 Small: \$2 × 400 = \$800 (1)  Medium: \$10 × 300 = \$30  Large \$20 × 150 = \$3000	- = 1) 1000 (1)					

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Question	Answer							
1(b)(i)	Common incorrect answers							
	Answer	Mark	Rationale					
	800 (with or without working)	4	Does not need \$					
	TR=\$15250 FC = \$6000 VC = \$8 + \$10 + \$5=\$33 \$15250 - \$6000 - \$33 = \$9217	3	There is only one mistake. The candidate has used VC per box, not TVC. In all other ways this is correct, so 3 marks.					
	\$9217 (no working)	0	A wrong answer, without working is always 0 marks.					
	\$4000 - \$3200 = \$800 (small) \$6000 - \$3000 = \$3000 (medium) \$5250 - \$2250 = \$3000 (large)	3	One mistake – only one share of FC has been subtracted. In all other ways this is correct, so 3 marks.					
	\$800 + \$3000 + \$3000 - \$2000 =\$4800							
	\$4800 (no working)	0	A wrong answer, without working is always 0 marks.					
	TR=\$15250 FC = \$6000 VC = (\$8 × 10) + \$10 × \$20) + (\$15 × 35) = \$805 \$15250 - \$6000 - \$805 = \$8445	3	There is only one mistake. The candidate has multiplied the VC per box by the price, not output. In all other ways this is correct, so 3 marks.					
	TR = 15250 Answer = \$8445	1	Although we can guess how the candidate got to this number, we do not know for sure. Only mark what is there, so this is only 1 mark (for correct calculation of TR).					
	\$8445	0	A wrong answer, without working is always 0 marks.					

uestion	Answer						
1(b)(ii)		e problem FP may hack box size.	ave when	deciding how to al	locate fixed		
	Level	Knowled	ge and A	pplication	Marks		
	2 (APP)	Explanation of one costs in context	problem o	f allocating fixed	2		
	1 (K)	Identification of one costs	problem	of allocating fixed	1		
	0	No creditable conte	nt		0		
	Content:						
	- lead  Application  Three b  Same F  Different  Different  OFR fro Q1(b)(i)	kes a product appear ds to a pricing mistak may include: ox sizes C (\$2000) for each b it prices (\$10, \$20, \$3 it variable cost (\$8, \$7 it sales for each box som Q1(b)(i) – allow for the use of any one figure able to award APP.	ox size 35) for eac 10, \$15) fo size (400, r wrong no	h box size or each box size 300, 150). umbers if used incorr	·		
	AKA						
		Exemplar	Mark	Rational	<b>e</b>		
	separate I size (K). F	ts are difficult to based on each box P has allocated the d costs each box ).	2	Problem of separatidentified and conte			

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Question	Answer					
1(b)(ii)	Exemplar	Mark	Rationale			
	Each box has different fixed costs so it is difficult to separate them (K). However, FP makes each pay a third (APP).	2	Problem clearly identified and context used.			
	FP makes each box pay the same allocation of fixed costs (APP), but each box size may have different overhead costs (K).	2	APP cannot be awarded before K, but you can (and should) go back to reward it once K has been found.			
	It makes the small box look unprofitable (K and APP).	2	The small box only looks unprofitable because of the allocated fixed costs, so that is a problem, in context.			

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Question	Answer									
1(c)	Analyse how <u>two</u> stakeholders of FP might be affected by the decision to stop selling the small box size.									
	Level	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks		Analysis (4 marks)	Marks				
	2b	Shows understanding of two stakeholders in context	4	APP + APP	Good analysis of the impact of the decision to stop selling the small box size on two stakeholders of FP	4	DEV + DEV			
	2a	Shows understanding of one stakeholder in context	3	АРР	Good analysis of the impact of the decision to stop selling the small box size on one stakeholder of FP	3	DEV			
	1b	Shows knowledge of two stakeholders	2	X + X	Limited analysis of the impact of stopping selling a product on two stakeholders	2	AN + AN			
	1a	Shows knowledge of one stakeholder	1	ᅩ	Limited analysis of the impact of stopping selling a product on one stakeholder	1	AN			
	0 No creditable content									
	Note: – annotate the first stakeholder in the left margin and the second stakeholder in the right margin.									
	AO1 Knowled  Man  Owr  Emp  Cus  Sup  Loca	ve content owledge and under ge of stakeholders r agers ners/shareholders/m oloyees tomers/consumers pliers al community ernment.	may inclu	_						

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Question	Answer							
1(c)	<ul> <li>Owners – mem</li> <li>Employees – 2</li> <li>Customers/con May be individual demand by customers – of feet of the Competitors – ferms and superiors and superiors – ferms and superiors – ferms and superiors – who was encounted to comment –</li> <li>AO3 Analysis</li> <li>Customers – who who increase</li> <li>Owners/sharent to competitors, allocated across allocated across of Government –</li> <li>Competitors – similar small be employees – pof increased who income and continuous end air)</li> <li>Local communication (noise and air)</li> </ul>	Managers – of one of the farms Owners – members of FP co-operative Employees – 26 workers, workers in distribution centre, labour intensive Customers/consumers – 400 boxes (weekly so may be 100 customers). May be individual (living on own) customers – highest sales, most in demand by customers. Suppliers – of farm equipment and consumables Competitors – who provide seasonal fruit and vegetables, such as other farms and supermarkets Local community – around FP's farms and/or distribution centre. Government – of country G which promotes eating fruit and vegetables						
	Examples of how a	tion – lower pollution n answer could dev		ould be annotated.				
	K	APP	AN	DEV				
	Customers	might live on their own,	so may find it difficult to afford a bigger box,	and leads to a lower standard of living.				
	Shareholders who are the members of the co-operative will make more/less profit* which may decrease/increa se their income.							
	*The small box only looks unprofitable because of the allocation of fixed costs. It makes a positive contribution, so if FP stops selling it, the owners get less profit. Allow answers which state that the owners will make more or less profit  ARA							

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Question	Answer								
1(d)	Evaluate the most important of fruit and vegetables				f FP's bo	oxes	1		
	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks	Annotation	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 factors affecting supply in context	4	APP + APP	Arguments based on two factor affecting supply in context	4	DEV + DEV			
	Shows understanding of one factor affecting supply in context	3	АРР	Argument based on one factor affecting supply in context	3	DEV			
	Knowledge of two factors affecting supply	2	Х + Х	Limited analysis of two factors affecting supply	2	AN + AN			
	Shows knowledge of one factor affecting supply	1	メ	Limited analysis of one factor affecting supply	1	AN			
	No creditable content	I	<u>I</u>	1	0				

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(d)	Knowledge may include:	
- ( /	Any factor affecting supply	
	price (accept as affecting quantity sold)	
	- costs	
	indirect tax	
	subsidies (government grant)	
	- legislation	
	- capacity	
	– weather	
	<ul><li>technology</li></ul>	
	<ul><li>productivity</li></ul>	
	factors of production	
	o land	
	o labour	
	o capital	
	o enterprise.	
	o chiciphise.	
	Application may include:	
	Agriculture	
	Annual government grant	
	Minimum wage set to increase	
	26 workers across farms and distribution centre	
	Food products	
	Labour intensive production	
	Use of Table 1.1	
	Use of Table 1.2.	
	Analysis may include:	
	Price:	
	an increase in price may lead FP to an increase in (quantity)	
	supplied – gain more revenue and increase the profitability of the	
	boxes.	
	<ul> <li>A decrease in price may lead FP to a decrease in (quantity)</li> </ul>	
	supplied – gain less revenue and decrease the profitability of the	
	boxes.	
	Costs:	
	increase may lead to lower quantity of boxes and/or increase in	
	price – lower profit/profitability.	
	decrease may lead to high quantity of boxes and/or decrease in	
	price – higher profit/profitability.	
	Indirect tax:	
	increase may lead to lower quantity of boxes and/or increase in	1
	price – lower profit/profitability.	1
	decrease may lead to high quantity of boxes and/or decrease in	1
	price – higher profit/profitability.	1
	Subsidies/grant: a subsidy to the farm is likely to increase the quantity  of bases FR mediums and/or decrease the price of FR's bases.	1
	·	1
	of boxes FP produces and/or decrease the price of FP's boxes – increased profit.	

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Question	Answer								
1(d)	<ul> <li>Legislation: such as planning laws which could make it easier for FP to expand and increase production – increasing revue/profit.</li> <li>Capacity: an increase in FP's capacity is likely to lead to an increase in the quantity produced of FP's boxes – increased sales and profit.</li> <li>Weather: poor weather may adversely affect FP's ability to produce fruit and vegetables reducing the contents of boxes – decreased revenue/profit.</li> <li>Technology: more advanced production technology or advances in administration automation may reduce FP's costs – increasing profitability.</li> <li>Productivity: increased productivity may lead to an increase in supply – increasing FP's revenue.</li> <li>Labour availability: the more workers who are available the more FP can supply fruit and veg – increased profit.</li> <li>Evaluation may include:</li> <li>A judgement over importance of factors affecting supply of FP's products</li> <li>Evaluation of the relative impact of different factors</li> <li>Elements that the evaluation/judgement might depend upon: level of competition, current pay of workers, elasticity, complements, substitutes etc.</li> <li>ARA</li> <li>Examples of how an answer could develop and how it should be annotated.</li> </ul>								
	K	APP	AN	DEV	EVAL				
	Weather	Is likely to affect the amount of fruit and vegetables that FP can grow.	If the weather is good, FP will increase the number of products to sell	which increases the supply.	Overall, the most important factor is the weather (EVAL) because FP cannot plan for it in advance				
	Labour costs	because the minimum wage is set to increase by 10%.	This is likely to reduce the supply of products	Which means that FP will make less revenue.	(EVAL). However, this depends how much the climate in country G is likely to change each year (EVAL).				

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uestion	An	swer			Marks		
2(a)(i)	Define the term 'redundant' (line 16).						
	Knowled	ge		Marks			
	A correct definition			2			
	A partial, vague or unfocused defin	ition		1			
	No creditable content			0			
	Content: An employee loses their job when a be their job role.  A correct definition will include the A form of dismissal e.g. they lose When the job role is no longer not be the property of	e following e their job, '	points:	eed for			
	Triton and jes role to he for got the	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,					
	Exemplar	Marks	Rationa	le			
			Rationa  Both elements				
	Exemplar  When an employee loses their job because their role is no	Marks		covered			
	Exemplar  When an employee loses their job because their role is no longer needed  Redundancy is when a job is not necessary and the worker is	Marks 2	Both elements	covered			
	Exemplar  When an employee loses their job because their role is no longer needed  Redundancy is when a job is not necessary and the worker is dismissed.  When a contract is terminated due to not being able to afford	Marks 2 2	Both elements	covered			
	Exemplar  When an employee loses their job because their role is no longer needed  Redundancy is when a job is not necessary and the worker is dismissed.  When a contract is terminated due to not being able to afford the wages.  When an employee is dismissed	Marks           2           2           1	Both elements  Both elements  Only one elements	covered			

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		Answe	r			Marks
2(a)(ii)	-	in the term 'joint venture' (line 25 d one mark for each point of expla				3
	С	Example or some other way of shounderstanding, i.e. formal contract must be understanding that this is remain separate businesses).	. To award	I C there	1 mark	
	В	Shared risk/reward/facilities/staff/capital/kr promotion etc	nowledge/e	experience/	1 mark	
	A	Two or more businesses/parties ag together	greeing to	work	1 mark	
	Conte	ant.				1
	share	s normally when two (or more) busin expertise/finance/rewards from a pr ng together to create a new product. ment.	oject. Exa Will be fo	mple, two co rmalised in a	mpanies contractual	
	share working agree A journal contractions The example of the contraction of the contract	s normally when two (or more) busin expertise/finance/rewards from a pr ng together to create a new product.	oject. Exa	mple, two co	mpanies contractual  nale	
	share working agree A journal contractions to get to get to get the toget to get to ge	expertise/finance/rewards from a pring together to create a new product.  ment.  Exemplar  int venture is when two business he together to do a certain project. By might share their resources. For mple, if Nissan and Toyota worked	oject. Exa Will be fo	mple, two co rmalised in a Ratio Both eleme included ar	mpanies contractual  nale ents ad an  ents and a wing	

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Question	Answer				
2(a)(ii)	Exemplar	Mark	Rationale		
	When two or more business work together for example if Nissan and Toyota work together to produce a new electric car.	1	One element – do not award C mark if A and B not awarded.		
	When more than one party works together on a project.	1	One element.		

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Question		An	swer		Marks			
2(b)(i)	Refer to Table 2.2 and any other information. Calculate the average margin of safety from April to September 2021.							
		Rational	e	Marks				
	Correct answer with or w	ithout corr	ect working or units	2				
	Formula or correct calcul	lation of cu	irrent level of production	1				
	No creditable content			0				
	Content: Level of production – break	c-even leve	el of production					
	(120 / 100) × 95 = 114 roor	ns (1)						
	114 rooms – 72 rooms = 42	2 (1) room	s (OFR)					
	Answer = 42 rooms is the a accept 35% (must include	•	argin of safety (2)					
	Alternative route: BE level = 60% (1) Current level = 95% Margin of safety = 35% (2)	2)						
	Common incorrect answers	3						
	Answer	Mark	Rationale					
	42 (no working)	2	'Rooms' not needed.					
	35 (no working)	1	If candidate has used this then they must include % f marks.	-				
	95% of 120 = 114 120 – 114 = 6 rooms	1	If there is a correct calcula the current level of output, mark.					
	114 72 = 1.583	1	Correct calculation of curre of output.	ent level				
	1.583 (no working)	0	You must be able to see the calculation of the current lead output to reward a mark, if answer is wrong.	evel of				

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Question	Answer				
2(b)(i)	Answer	Mark	Rationale		
	Current production – BE level	1	Correct margin of safety formula.		
	Current production = 115 115 - 72 = 41	1	The candidate miscalculated the current level of production, but the last stage is correct based on their own figure. So OFR and 1 mark.		

Question	Answer						
b)(ii)	Explain <u>two</u> pos	sible limitations to S	H of using	g break-even	analysis.		
	Level Knowledge and Application						
	2b (APP + APP)	Explanation of two lir break-even analysis		f using	4		
	2a (APP)	Explanation of one line		using break-	3		
	1b (K + K)	Knowledge of two lin	nitations of	using break-	2		
	1a (K)	Knowledge of one lin	nitation of	using break-	1		
	0	No creditable conten	t		0		
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Question	Answer				
2(b)(ii)	Exemplar	Mark	Rationale		
	BE assumes the price does not change (K), which is wrong for a hotel (APP). BE is also based on an estimate (K)	3	Clear limitation and context. Second limitation is not in context.		
	It is only based on an average (K) for peak season (APP).	3	Clear limitation and context.		
	Based on estimates (K)	1	Clear limitation but no context		
	May not be accurate, because it is based on a hotel.	0	Not a specific limitation of BE.		

uestion	Answer									
2(c)	Analyse <u>one</u> possible advantage and <u>one</u> possible disadvantage to SH of Tia's autocratic leadership style.									
	Level	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks		Analysis (4 marks)	Marks				
	2b	Shows knowledge of one advantage and one disadvantage of autocratic leadership in context	4	APP + APP	Good analysis of one advantage and one disadvantage of autocratic leadership in context	4	DEV + DEV			
	2a	Shows knowledge of one advantage or disadvantage of autocratic leadership in context	3	АРР	Good analysis of one advantage or one disadvantage of autocratic leadership in context	3	DEV			
	1b	Shows knowledge of one advantage and one disadvantage of autocratic leadership	2	X + X	Limited analysis of one advantage <u>and</u> one disadvantage of autocratic leadership	2	AN + AN			
	1a	Shows knowledge of one advantage or disadvantage of autocratic leadership	1	¥	Limited analysis of one advantage or one disadvantage of autocratic leadership	1	AN			
	0		No cred	itable	content	•				

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(c)	Indicative content AO1 Knowledge and understanding Knowledge advantages of autocratic leadership style may include: Speed of decision-making Unambiguous objectives/commands Clear chain of command May increase productivity Less need to train/skill employees Knowledge of disadvantages of autocratic leadership may include: Lack of creativity May cause demotivation May stifle communication Subordinates are unable to make any decisions  AO2 Application Tia is one of three managers at SH Tia has responsibility for cleaners: Areas must be cleaned to the required standards Health and safety issues (chemical cleaners, use of cleaning equipment, etc.) Coordination over 12 cleaners over 120 rooms Half of the cleaners are temporary employees only employed during the peak season Likely to be relatively low-skilled/pay Tia also has responsibility for the Marketing employees: Designing (creativity) of promotional materials 7 marketing employees Likely to be relatively high-skilled/pay Most employees are likely to be customer facing in a hotel Average of 95% capacity utilisation in peak season (busy hotel) Objective to increase value added to the service that SH provides.	
	<ul> <li>AO3 Analysis Advantages may include: <ul> <li>Speed of decision-making: in peak season, Tia has a large span of control. Autocratic leadership may be a more efficient way of controlling and co-ordinating this number of employees – increased productivity and decreased costs.</li> <li>Unambiguous objectives/commands: can ensure a standard level of quality 'fit for purpose', essential with cleaning – may help SH to achieve their objective of increasing value added, increase repeat customers.</li> <li>Clear chain of command: enables the team to clean the 120 rooms efficiently – reduced costs, increased profitability.</li> <li>May increase productivity: clear commands may allow the Marketing employees to produce standardised promotional material which is more likely to fit the image of SH – increased sales profit.</li> <li>Less need to train/skill employees: new cleaners are recruited each year (in peak season) so an autocratic style is likely to be appropriate as they may only work for a few weeks/months and need to be trained and supervised quickly.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

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Question		Answer						
2(c)	creative, espect have a direct ir have a direct ir May cause der reduced quality  May stifle community hotel reduced of Subordinates upon manage — how workers — might observing/supers	ity: marketing emploially with the cross inpact on sales – in motivation: especially of marketing material munication: Tia maquality – lower sale inable to make any is can she be autocrust this lead to themervising them – redecially with the market in the mervising them – redecially with the market in the mar	advertising with the creased revenue as ally for the marketing rials — poor sales/y not find out about s/profit.  I decisions: 19 wor atic and directly sure only working hard uced productivity as a series.	ne hotel. This will and profit for SH. g employees with growth. It problems in the kers for Tia to				
	K	APP	AN	DEV				
	An advantage could be that it is quick.	Which means that Tia can make fast decision about what cleaning needs to be done.	This is likely to lead to better quality rooms for customers.	Increasing the chance of repeat sales.				
	However, it may reduce creativity	in the marketing department.	This is likely to lead to poor quality promotions,	reducing SH's sales revenue.				

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Question	Answer								
2(d)	Recommend how SH of Justify your recommend		ase	the value added to its	service.		11		
	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks	Annotation	Analysis and Evaluation (7 marks)	Marks	Annotation			
				Justified recommendation based on arguments in context	7	EVAL + EVAL + FVAI			
				Developed recommendation based on arguments in context	6	EVAL + EVAL			
				An evaluative statement / recommendation based on arguments in context	5	EVAL			
	Shows understanding of two ways of adding value in context	4	APP + APP	Argument based on two ways of adding value in context	4	DEV + DEV			
	Shows understanding of one way of adding value in context	3	APP	Argument based on one way of adding value in context	3	DEV			
	Shows knowledge of two ways of adding value	2	Х + X	Analysis of two ways of adding value	2	AN + AN			
	Shows knowledge of one way of adding value	1	¥	Analysis of one way of adding value	1	AN			
	No creditable content	<u> </u>		<u>I</u>	0				

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uestion	Answer	Marks
2(d)	Indicative content AO1 Knowledge	
	Knowledge of ways of adding value, including:	
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	<ul> <li>Advertising</li> <li>USP</li> </ul>	
	Additional services     Additional product benefits	
	Additional product benefits	
	Reducing cost	
	Increasing quality.	
	Application may include:	
	Hotel – rooms	
	Customer service - guests	
	• Cleaning	
	<ul> <li>Promotional materials (SH branding)</li> </ul>	
	Views of the sea	
	Local tourism	
	Does not currently have a restaurant	
	Joint venture with local restaurant	
	Analysis may include:	
	Branding: common in the hotel industry, a brand name can increase the	
	price of a room – increasing profit margin.	
	<ul> <li>Advertising: to increase the number of customers who are aware of SH increasing sales of rooms – increased profit.</li> </ul>	
	USP: by adding something unique to SH's hotels it makes the service different from competitors allowing SH to charge a higher price – increased profitability.	
	<ul> <li>Additional services: can differentiate SH from competitors allowing SH</li> </ul>	
	to charge a higher room rate – however the additional services can increase costs and reduce profit.	
	Reducing services: stopping the joint venture to allow higher revenue from a restaurant – higher profit.	
	<ul> <li>Additional product benefits: offering refreshments, for example, can give</li> </ul>	
	SH more opportunities for sales, increasing revenue – increased profit.	
	Reducing costs – being more efficient or getting rid of unnecessary	
	services may allow SH to reduce costs and increase profitability –	
	however customers may demand a lower price to compensate for the	
	reduction in perceived quality.	
	<ul> <li>Increasing quality: increasing the price customers are willing to pay –</li> </ul>	
	increased profit.	
	Evaluation may include:	
	<ul> <li>A judgement/evaluation over the suitability/usefulness of way(s) of</li> </ul>	
	adding value	
	<ul> <li>Evaluation of the relative benefits/costs of different ways</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Elements that the evaluation/judgement might depend upon: tourism,</li> </ul>	
	weather, current perception of SH, response from local competitors.	
	ARA	

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Question	Answer					Marks
2(d)	Example of how an answer could develop and how it should be annotated.					
	K	APP	AN	DEV	EVAL	
	Develop a USP	for high- quality rooms.	This means that SH can charge a higher price	And increases the profit made on each room	Overall, it would be better for SH to develop a USP (EVAL) because they will maintain their quality standards which is important in a hotel (EVAL). However, it depends on how SH's competitors respond (EVAL).	
	Reduce costs	By making some of the cleaners redundant.	This could increase the profit of SH	However, it may mean lower quality rooms and less sales.		

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