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Paper 2 Alternative to Coursework MARK SCHEME Maximum Mark: 100

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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.

Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	Describe <u>two</u> reasons for the appeal of Lesotho as a destination.	4
	Award one mark for each of two identified reasons and an additional mark for exemplification or description.	
	Correct answers include:	
	Attractive (1) its outstanding natural beauty with its mountains, waterfalls and National Parks/offers a unique opportunity for visitors to experience this beautiful landscape (1) Its unique Basotho culture (1) traditional arts and crafts, customs, food, language and clothing only found here (1) Its convenient location (1) allows overseas visitors to visit as an add-on visit when in South Africa (1)	
	Accept any reasonable answers.	
1(b)	Explain <u>one</u> reason why (LTDC) uses <u>each</u> of the following methods of promotion:	6
	Award one mark for identification of a reason for each and a second mark for explanation.	
	radio Advertising – as an example of broadcast media, this has broad reach within the local area (1) so many of the local population will be familiar with the messages that come out/messages will be popular (1)	
	billboards – as display media, these will also have good reach with the local population who drive or walk through the busier street areas (1) where they will see the adverts every day as they pass by/large in size/easy to see (1)	
	social media – as electronic media, with advances in technology more people engage online (1) so local people might 'follow' these social media accounts and become aware of the promotions this way (1)	
	Accept any reasonable answers.	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(c)	Explain <u>two</u> likely reasons why domestic tourism is a key market segment for many destinations.	6
	Award one mark for the identification of each of two reasons and up to two further marks for explanation.	
	Seasonality (1) domestic tourists can generate visitor spending in slower shoulder and off-season months (1) when international visitors come in fewer numbers (1)	
	Supporting local events and attractions (1) domestic tourists will help generate income by attending local attractions and festivals (1) which international tourists are not always aware of these types of tourist activity (1).	
	International tourist numbers are affected by many factors (1) terrorism in a country, natural disasters, political and economic conditions (1) whereas residents of the country still go about their normal activities in the affected areas (1)	
	Easier to promote to (1) less expensive to send promotional materials/a captive market (1) no language barriers (1)	
	Decreases leakage/avoids import/export leakages (1) local population less likely to demand international goods (1) less affected by currency exchange rates (1)	
	Accept any reasonable answer.	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(d)	Discuss how marketing and promotion can help Lesotho become more competitive as a destination.	9
	Indicative content: Help raise awareness Stimulates interest Create a brand image which in turn forms a positive association / creates USP Builds a reputation Allows potential customers to compare with other similar destinations Note: Answer must relate to marketing and promotion activities of T & T organisations.	
	Use level of response criteria: Level 1 (1–3 marks) At this level candidates will identify 1, 2 or more reasons why marketing and	
	promotion are important. Level 2 (4–6 marks) At this level candidates will explain 1, 2 or more reasons why marketing and promotion are important and/or how they create competitive advantage.	
	Level 3 (7–9 marks) At this level candidates will discuss the importance of marketing and promotion in creating competitive advantage.	
	Credit all valid reasoning in context.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)(i)	Identify <u>two</u> market segments the theme park caters for. Award one mark for each of two correct identifications. Food lovers/food tourists (1) Special interest groups (1) Educational visitors/school groups/students (1) Disabled visitors (1) The elderly/grey market (1)	2
2(a)(ii)	Identify <u>two</u> services offered by the theme park. Award one mark for each of two correct identifications. Event hire/party bookings (1) Bicycle hire (1) Hop-on buses (1) Transport (1) Accept only these responses.	2
2(b)	 Explain three ways the theme park might create its brand image. Award one mark for each of three correct identifications and a second mark for explanation of each. Product features (1) fresh, authentic Italian food at source (1) Packaging (1) unique design idea/USP (1) Price (1) maintaining low entry fees (1) Promotion (1) using logo, slogan and corporate identity on all sales and promotional materials (1) Target market segments (1) food lovers as a clear target market (1) Brand loyalty (1) rewards programme – stamp/points per visit, per purchase etc. to accrue points, points converted to discount offers or freebies (1) Accept any reasonable response. 	6

Question	Answer	Marks
2(c)	Explain <u>two</u> benefits to customers of the theme park offering complete packages.	6
	Award one mark for each of two identified benefits and up to two marks for explanation.	
	Good value for money (1) is often cheaper than paying for several components separately (1) and the provider might offer discounts (1) Convenience (1) customer only has to make one booking (1) the provider sorts out all the details (1) Quality assured (1) customer has peace of mind (1) if there is an issue with the booking, the provider takes responsibility (1)	
	Accept any reasonable answers.	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(d)	Discuss the influence of the stages of the product life cycle model on pricing decisions for the theme park.	9
	Indicative content:	
	Companies must adapt to the stages of the product life cycle to effectively sell and promote their products. Depending on the product life cycle stage, a company will develop branding techniques and an appropriate pricing model. Understanding each stage helps businesses increase profits. Accept stages from the Butler lifecycle model.	
	 Research and development – the stage at which initial costs are calculated and an entry price is established. Introduction – some companies will choose to price their new product cheaply to develop a customer base. Other companies will initially price their products more expensively to make up for development expenses. Growth – pricing remains generally stable as demand continues with minimal competition. Maturity – this is the product life cycle stage in which the customer base is heavily fought over with competition usually quite fierce and price decreases most often occur. Companies often choose competitive prices to try to attract more customers or offer seasonal variations in price. Stagnation – products here are often heavily discounted as sales start to slump as customers begin to lose interest. Decline – as the product loses profitability the organisation makes a 	
	decision about withdrawal from the market or rejuvenation. Prices for rejuvenated products tend to start back at the introduction stage.	
	<u>Use level of response criteria:</u>	
	Level 1 (1–3 marks) At this level candidates will identify 1, 2 or more stages of the product life cycle model or will refer to pricing decisions generically.	
	Level 2 (4–6 marks) At this level candidates will explain 1, 2 or more stages of the product life cycle model with some reference to pricing decisions across the stages although these might not necessarily match.	
	Level 3 (7–9 marks) At this level candidates will discuss the impact that various stages of the product life cycle model will have on pricing decisions.	
	Credit all valid reasoning in context.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)(i)	Describe what is meant by the term tailor-made holiday.	2
	Award one mark for a basic definition and a second mark for a more detailed description.	
	A customised or bespoke holiday (1) Designed to meet the individual needs of the customer (1)	
	Accept one relevant example for 1 mark.	
	Accept any reasonable answers.	
3(a)(ii)	Give <u>two</u> examples of how the holiday in Fig. 3.1 can be tailor-made.	2
	Award one mark for each of two correct identifications.	
	Upgrade to a larger property (1) Change the meal plan from bed and breakfast to include dinner at the hotel or to have a chef cook especially for you (1) Upgrade to a private transfer (1)	
	Accept any reasonable answers.	
3(b)	Explain the suitability of <u>each</u> of the following distribution methods offered by this provider:	6
	Award up to two marks for an explanation of the suitability of each method.	
	 internet – 24 hr access globally – not affected by time zones (1) many people now use the internet so wide reaching (1) often cheaper (1) phone – good method if the customer has questions (1) they feel more assured dealing direct (1) travel agent – benefit from expert advice and recommendations (1) can be face to face (1) 	
	Accept any reasonable answers.	

Question	Answer	Marks
3(c)	Explain <u>two</u> benefits to the customer of the promotional pricing techniques used by the provider in Fig. 3.1.	6
	Award one mark for the identification of each of two benefits and up to two further marks for explanation.	
	Customer perceives this to be good service (1) to get a 20% discount at time of booking (1) makes the price seem even better value for money (1) Holiday becomes more affordable with free child place (1) especially as the meals for the child are also free (1) no need to pay extra supplement on the one-bedroom villa for a family of three (1) Spa treatments are included in the price as a limited offer (1) this means customers get more for their money (1) and gives status to the trip (1)	
	Accept any reasonable answers.	
3(d)	Use the AIDA principle to analyse the effectiveness of the advertisement shown in Fig. 3.1.	9
	 Indicative content: Attention: there are no bold headlines – however the free child place and discount code are in bold. Interest: pictures provoke some interest but more varied scenes would be more interesting. Desire: words like 'fall in love' will create desire. Action: limited information for contact, no website or phone number will make it difficult to take action. 	
	Application of the principle may not follow textbook examples – accept any reasonable answers.	
	Use levels of response criteria:	
	Level 1 (1–3 marks) At this level candidates will identify one, two or more aspects of AIDA.	
	Level 2 (4–6 marks) At this level candidates will apply one, two or more aspects of the AIDA model to the advert.	
	Level 3 (7–9 marks) At this level candidates will analyse the effectiveness of the advert using the AIDA principle. For the top of level, (8–9 marks) judgement should be made.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	Identify the following:	2
	Award one mark for each correct answer.	
	One example of quantitative research data used by Visit Napa County Occupancy rates (1)	
	One example of secondary market research Sales records from hotels or tourist attractions (1)	
	These are the only valid answers.	
4(a)(ii)	Describe how random sampling is carried out.	2
	Award one mark for a basic definition and a second mark for amplification.	
	In simple random sampling, each member of population is equally likely to be chosen as part of the sample (1) It removes bias from the selection procedure and should result in representative sample (1) Respondents are picked 'at random' using random number tables, lottery style or using random number generating software (1)	
	Accept any reasonable answer.	
4(b)	Explain <u>three</u> likely needs of a day-tripper.	6
	Award one mark for each of three identified needs and a second mark for explanation.	
	Transport facilities or parking (1) regular services to allow easy access in and out of destinations (1) Food and beverage provision (1) at an affordable price and to suit different tastes and preferences (1) Access to amenities such as public conveniences/restrooms (1) as they will not have accommodation in the destination to freshen up (1) Attractions, entertainment and activities (1) a sense of purpose for visiting the destination (1) Information services (1) to find out opening times, ticket prices, timetables etc. (1)	
	Accept any reasonable answers.	

Question	Answer	Marks
4(c)	Explain <u>two</u> benefits to a travel and tourism provider of creating a visitor profile.	6
	Award one mark for the identification of each of two benefits and up to two further marks for explanation.	
	Get to know the wants and needs of customers better (1) understanding more about your customers makes it easier to cater for their demands (1) and can lead to better customer satisfaction (1) Is more cost-effective (1) the business only targets those within the targeted profile (1) so can save costs in advertising only in specific locations where it is most likely the target market will see the adverts (1) Allows for personalised/direct marketing (1) making the customer feel special (1) with an increased likelihood of response (1)	
	Accept any reasonable answer.	
4(d)	Discuss the advantages and disadvantages to tourist authorities of carrying out market research.	9
	Indicative content: Advantages: It is understood as a process It can be relatively quick and easy to carry out It need not cost too much It can provide very useful information It can help better understand the market/needs/wants/expectations Allows marketing decisions to be made Customer satisfaction Disadvantages: Traditional methods are expensive and labour intensive Data may be biased, inaccurate or misleading Response rates are not always representative of the market	
	Use levels of response criteria:	
	Level 1 (1–3 marks) At this level candidates will identify one, two or more advantages and/or disadvantages of market research; these will most likely be generic.	
	Level 2 (4–6 marks) At this level candidates will explain one, two or more advantages and/or disadvantages of market research.	
	Level 3 (7–9 marks) At this level candidates will discuss both some advantages and disadvantages of market research.	
	Credit should be given to any reasonable answer.	