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**BUSINESS STUDIES**

**7115/21**

Paper 2

**October/November 2015**

**1 hour 30 minutes**

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No Additional Materials are required.

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Answer **all** questions.

The Insert contains the case study.

The business described in this question paper is entirely fictitious.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

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

The total number of marks for this paper is 80.

This document consists of **10** printed pages, **2** blank pages and **1** Insert.

- 1 (a) Identify and explain **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage to CC of being a public limited company.

Advantage: .....

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Explanation: .....

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Disadvantage: .....

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Explanation: .....

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(b) CC needs to communicate a new health and safety regulation to its factory workers. Consider the advantages and disadvantages of each of the following **three** ways CC could use. Recommend the most effective way to use. Justify your answer.

Posters on factory noticeboards: .....

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CC website: .....

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Text (mobile phone message) to factory workers: .....

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Recommendation: .....

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- 2 (a) CC's Marketing manager wants to carry out market research. Identify and explain **two factors** which could influence the accuracy of the market research data.

Factor 1: .....

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Explanation: .....

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Factor 2: .....

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Explanation: .....

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3 (a) Identify and explain **two** benefits to CC workers of joining a trade union.

Benefit 1: .....

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Explanation: .....

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Benefit 2: .....

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Explanation: .....

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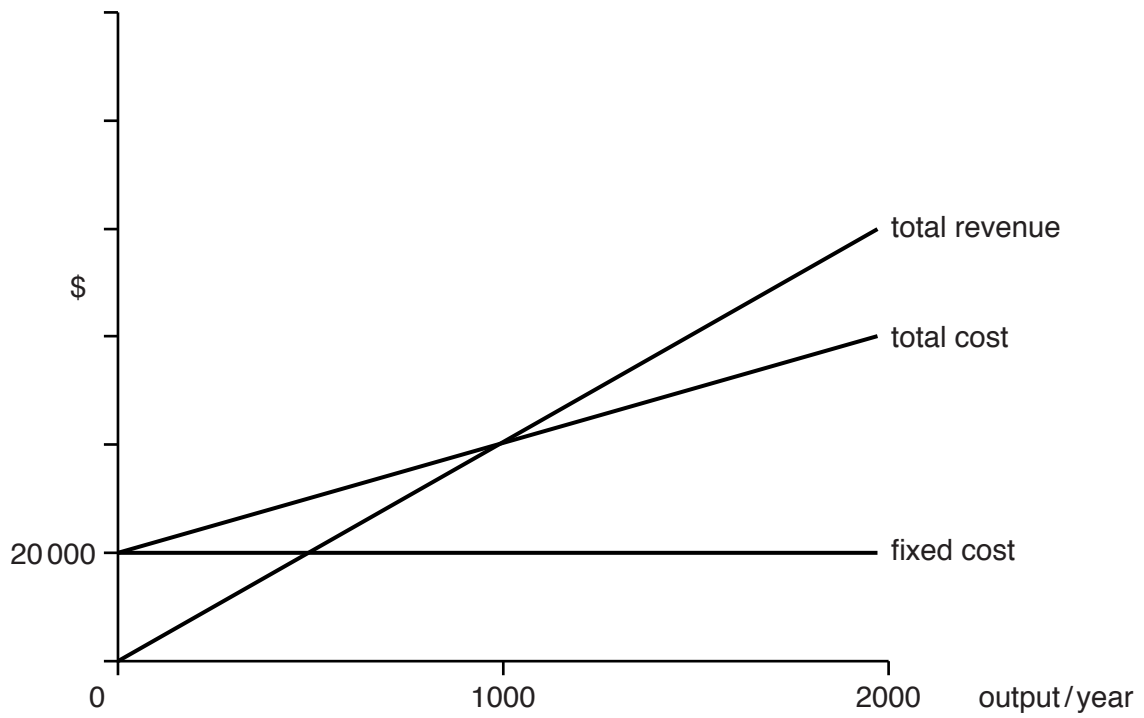
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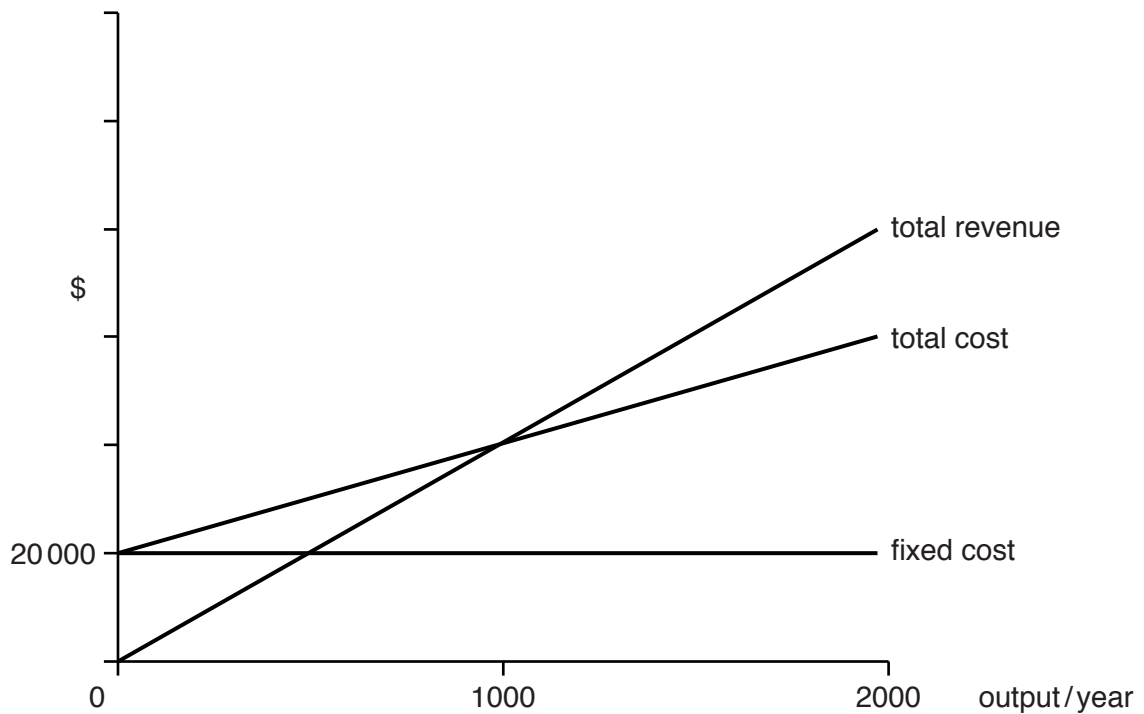
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### Option 1 – Increase the price of the cooker to \$60



### Option 2 – Decrease the variable cost of the cooker to \$10







- 4 (a) Identify and explain **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage to CC of employing skilled workers in the factories.

Advantage: .....

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Explanation: .....

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Disadvantage: .....

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Explanation: .....

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- (b) CC wants to expand into country Z and has the choice of merging with a competitor in country Z or setting up its own factory in country Z. Consider these two options and recommend which one CC should choose. Justify your answer.

Merging with a competitor in country Z: .....

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Setting up its own factory in country Z: .....

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Recommendation: .....

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