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Paper 2 Fundamentals of Accounting
MARK SCHEME
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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.

ANNOTATIONS

The following annotations are used in marking this paper and should be used by examiners.

Annotation	Use or meaning
✓	Correct and relevant point made in answering the question.
×	Incorrect point or error made.
LNK	Two statements are linked.
REP	Repeat
А	An extraneous figure
BOD	Benefit of the doubt given.
SEEN	Noted but no credit given
OF	Own figure
Highlight	Highlight
Off page Comment	Off page comment

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Abbreviations and guidance

The following abbreviations may be used in the mark scheme:

OF = own figure. The answer will be marked correct if a candidate has correctly used their own figure from a previous part or calculation.

W = working. The working for a figure is given below. Where the figure has more than one mark associated with it, the working will show where individual marks are to be awarded.

CF = correct figure. The figure has to be correct i.e. no extraneous items have been included in the calculation

Extraneous item = an item that should not have been included in a calculation, including indirect expenses such as salaries in calculation of gross profit when there is one **OF** mark for gross profit'

Curly brackets, }, are used to show where one mark is given for more than one figure. If the figures are not adjacent, each is marked with a curly bracket and a symbol e.g. **}***

row = all figures in the row must be correct for this mark to be awarded

Marks for figures are dependent on correct sign/direction

Accept other valid responses. This statement indicates that marks may be awarded for answers that are not listed in the mark scheme but are equally valid.

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Question	Answer					
1(a)	Prepare the statement of profit or los	s for the ye	ear ended 31 July 2023.	15		
	P Limit Statement of profit or loss for th		d 31 July 2023			
		\$				
	Revenue	284 200	(1)			
	Cost of sales W1	(114 420)	(4)OF			
	Gross profit	169 780	(1)OF			
	Distribution costs	(50 240)	(1)			
	Administrative expenses W2	(67 620)	(4)OF			
	Profit from operations	51 920	(1)OF			
	Finance costs	(960)	(1)			
	Profit before taxation	50 960	(1)OF			
	Taxation	(10 700)				
	Profit for the year	40 260	(1)OF			
	W1					
	Opening inventory 36 800 (1) Purchases 122 050 – 29 610 Closing inventory 43 190 – 3600 + 9 Cost of sales 36 800 + 117 690	40 070 (1)				
	W2 66 920 – 960 (1) + 1820 (1) – 160 (1) =	67 620 (1)O	F			

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Question			Answer				Marks	
1(b)	Prepare the statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 July 2023. P Limited Statement of changes in equity for the year ended 31 July 2023							
		Share capital \$	Share premium \$	Retained earnings	Total \$			
	At 1 August 2022	120 000	19 000	23 560	162 560			
	Bonus issue	20 000	(19 000)	(1 000) (1)	1			
	Final dividend			(16 800) (1)	(16 800)			
	Rights issue	35 000 (1)	10 500 (1)		45 500			
	Profit for the year			40 260 (1)OF	40 260			
	At 31 July 2023	175 000	10 500	46 020	231 520 (1) OF			
1(c)	State <u>two</u> examples o	of revenue re	eserves of a	limited com	npany.		2	
	Retained earnings (1) General reserve (1)							
	Accept other valid re	sponses.						

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(d)	Advise the directors whether or not they were correct to make a bonus issue of shares rather than make a new issue of shares. Justify your answer.	7
	Bonus issue Max 4 marks Will incur no additional costs (1) No necessity to source new shareholders (1) Will be received favourably by existing shareholders (1) Makes use of share premium account (1) No cash inflow (1)	
	 New issue of shares Max 4 marks Will raise new finance (1) May be more costly to source new shareholders (1) Very low retained earnings may discourage new shareholders (1) May dilute ownership (1) A new issue of shares may not be fully subscribed (1) 	
	Advice supported with a comment (1) Accept other valid responses	

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	State two factors that cause the value of non-current assets to depreciate.	2
	Wear and tear (1) Usage (1) Technological changes (1) Obsolescence (1) Economic factors (1) Depletion (1)	
	Max 2 Accept other valid responses	

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Question				Answer			Marks			
2(b)	Prepare	Prepare the following accounts for the year ended 30 June 2023.								
			Delivery	vehicles	at cost					
	Date	Details	\$	Date	Details	\$				
	2022 1 Jul	Balance b/d	29 000	2022 1 Nov	Disposal	29 000 (1)				
	1 Nov	Disposal	16 800 (1)	2023 30 Jun	Balance c/d	44 000				
		Bank loan	27 200 (1)							
			73 000			73 000				
	2023 1 Jul	Balance b/d	44 000 (1)							
		Delive	ery vehicles	provision	for depreciation					
	Date	Details	\$	Date	Details	\$				
	2022 1 Nov	Disposal	8 000 (1)	2022 1 Jul	Balance b/d	6 000 (1)				
	2023 30 Jun	Balance c/d	4 800	2023 30 Jun	Statement of profit or loss	6 800 (1)				
			12 800			12 800				
				1 Jul	Balance b/d	4 800 (1)				
2(c)	Calculate Novemb		ss on dispo	sal of the	delivery vehicle	sold on 1	2			
	29 000 –	8000 – 16 800 = \$	\$4200 (1) Lo	ss (1)						

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(d)	Explain why it may be more appropriate to depreciate motor vehicles using the reducing balance method rather than the straight-line method.	3
	The reducing balance method is more appropriate because motor vehicles lose a disproportionate amount of their value in the early years (1) but require less repair and maintenance (1) so complies with the matching concept (1) whereas the straight line method would be unsuitable as it charges the same amount throughout the lifetime of the asset (1)	
	Max 3	
	Accept other valid responses	

Question				Answer			Marks		
3(a)	Prepare the sales ledger control account for the month of July 2023, taking into account the errors discovered. Dates are not required. Sales ledger control account								
	Details	\$		Details	£				
	Balance b/d	76 250	(1)	Sales returns (journal)	1 510	(1)			
	Sales (journal)	69 634	(1)	Journal / contra	420	(1)			
	Bank / Cash book	237	(1)	Discount allowed / Cash book	892	(1)			
				Bank / Cash book	74 118	(1)			
				Journal / irrecoverable debt	410	(1)			
				Balance c/d	68 771				
		146 121		_	146 121				
	Balance b/d	68 771	(1)OF						

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Question	Answer						
3(b)	Prepare a schedule of the corrected sales ledger account balances.						
		Increase \$	Decrease \$	Total \$			
	Per original list			69 211			
	Error 1	300 (1)					
	Error 3		190 (1)				
	Error 4		550 (1)	(440)			
	Corrected balances			68 771 (1)			
3(c)	State two limitations	of preparing a	control accour	nt.		2	
	Only verify the arithmetical accuracy of the ledgers (1) Does not indicate that individual account balances are correct (1) Does not identify errors of commission / omission / principle / original entry etc. (1)						
	Accept other valid res	sponses.					

Question	Answer	Marks	
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Question				Answer				Marks		
4(a)	Complete the table to show the apportionment of the budgeted overheads for the year ended 31 August 2023.									
			Produ depart		Service	departments				
		Total \$	Machining \$	Assembly \$	Stores \$	Maintenance \$				
	Indirect wages	420 000	84 000	252 000	42 000	42 000	(1) row			
	Factory rent and rates	30 000	10 000	14 000	4 500	1 500	(1) row			
	Machine overheads	22 000	12 577	9 423	_	_	(1) row			
	Total overheads	472 000	106 577	275 423	46 500	43 500				
	Apportion Stores	_	23 250	17 714	(46 500)	5 536	(1)OF row			
	Subtotal	472 000	129 827	293 137	_	49 036				
	Apportion Maintenance	_	41 190	7 846	_	(49 036)	(1)OF row			
	Total overhead costs	472 000	171 017	300 983	-	-				
	(1)OF for both									
4(b)		Calculate, to two decimal places, an overhead absorption rate for each production department, using a suitable basis.								
	Machining: $\frac{171}{34}$	$\frac{017}{300} = 4.9	99 (1)OF pe	r machine ho	our (1)					
	Assembly: $\frac{300983}{77700}$ = \$3.87 (1)OF per labour hour (1)									

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Question	Answer							
4(c)	Calculate the over absorpt production department.	ion or unde	er absor	ption of ove	erheads	for <u>each</u>	4	
		Machining \$		Assembly \$				
	Actual	226 952		267 465				
	Absorbed: 44 120 × \$4.99	220 159						
	Absorbed: 72 580 × \$3.87			280 885				
		6 793	(1)OF	13 420	(1)OF			
		UNDER	(1)OF	OVER	(1)OF			
4(d)	Calculate the <u>direct cost</u> of producing <u>one</u> bicycle for the special order.							
				\$				
	Direct material	\$45.60 ×	1.3	59.28	(1)			
	Direct labour - Machining		min	7.50	(1)			
	Direct labour - Assembly	\$15 × 120) min	30.00	(1)			
	Total direct cost			96.78	(1)OF			

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		Answe	r			Marks	
4(e)	Prepare a statement to show the total selling price that Andreas should quote to the customer in order to achieve a 30% gross profit margin on the order.						
				\$			
	Direct cost	\$96.78 × 120		11 613.60	(1)OF		
	Machining dept. overheads	\$4.99 × 20 min	× 120	199.60	(1)OF		
	Assembly dept overheads	\$3.87 × 120 mii	n × 120	928.80	(1)OF		
	Total cost			12742.00			
	Gross profit	X 30/70		5 460.86	(1)		
	Quoted selling price			18 202.86	(1)		
	Alternative approaches (uni Version 1	it basis)					
		· 					
	Version 1	\$	(1)OF				
	Version 1 Direct cost	\$ 96.78	(1)OF				
	Version 1 Direct cost Machining dept. overheads	\$ 96.78 1.66	(1)OF				
	Version 1 Direct cost	\$ 96.78					
	Version 1 Direct cost Machining dept. overheads Assembly dept overheads	\$ 96.78 1.66 7.74	(1)OF				
	Version 1 Direct cost Machining dept. overheads Assembly dept overheads	\$ 96.78 1.66 7.74 106.18	(1)OF				
	Direct cost Machining dept. overheads Assembly dept overheads Total unit cost	\$ 96.78 1.66 7.74 106.18 × 120 units	(1)OF				

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Question	Answer						
4(e)	Version 2						
		\$					
	Direct cost	96.78	(1)OF				
	Machining dept. overheads	1.663	(1)OF				
	Assembly dept overheads	7.74	(1)OF				
	Total unit cost	106.183					
		x 120 units					
	Total cost	12 741.96					
	Gross profit	5 460.84	(1)				
	Quoted selling price	18 202.84	(1)				
4(f)	Advise Andreas whether he should accept the terms offered by the customer. Justify your answer. Accept New customer may become a major customer over time (1) Terms offered will still produce a profit for the business (1) Only accept the terms if sufficient credit worthiness checks are completed (1)						
	 Reject Two months' credit terms may compound the cash flow difficulties (1) Will existing customers try to negotiate better credit terms (1) Are they sure of the continuity of the orders (1) The work will not result in the required 30% gross profit margin (1) 						
	Max 6 for comments.						
	Advice supported with a comment (1)						
	Accept other valid responses						

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