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BUSINESS STUDIES

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Paper 2

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1 hour 30 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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Answer **all** questions.

The Insert contains the case study.

The businesses described in this question paper are entirely fictitious.

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- 1 (a) Identify and explain **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage to SA of starting to sell new products in a niche market.

Advantage:

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Explanation:

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Disadvantage:

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Explanation:

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(b) Consider the following **three** roles of packaging for SA's new products. Which is the most important role for the successful launch of these new products? Justify your answer.

Protection:

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Brand image:

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Information about the product:

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Conclusion:

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- 2 (a) Identify and explain how the following **two** stakeholder groups might be affected by SA's plans to expand.

Shareholders:

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Local community:

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(b) Consider the following **three** benefits to SA of having well-motivated employees. Which benefit will be the most important to SA if it wants to increase profit? Justify your answer.

Higher output:

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Fewer employees leaving:

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Higher quality:

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Conclusion:

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3 (a) Identify and explain **two** ways SA could use lean production in its factory.

Way 1:

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Explanation:

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Way 2:

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Explanation:

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(b) Consider **three** leadership styles the Operations manager could use in the new factory. Recommend which leadership style should be used to improve decision-making. Justify your answer.

Leadership style 1:

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Leadership style 2:

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Leadership style 3:

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Recommendation:

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- 4 (a) Identify and explain **two** opportunities and **two** threats for businesses in country Z from globalisation.

Opportunity 1:

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Explanation:

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Opportunity 2:

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Explanation:

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Threat 1:

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Explanation:

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Threat 2:

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Explanation:

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(b) Using Appendix 3 and other information, consider SA's financial position, using liquidity ratios. Recommend whether the bank manager should give a loan to SA for the new factory. Justify your answer.

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