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## General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

## Section A

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Section B

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11(a)	Purchase invoice Petty cash voucher Credit note Paying in book/slip/counterfoil Bank statement Sales invoice	(6)

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11(e)	<p data-bbox="384 472 1257 568">Award up to 2 marks for points in favour and 2 marks for points against the effectiveness of control accounts. A further one mark for an appropriate conclusion.</p> <p data-bbox="384 607 592 636"><b>Sample answer</b></p> <p data-bbox="384 674 1270 904">The uses of control accounts can enable businesses to improve the management of their business as it can verify the arithmetical accuracy of the ledgers (1) and also provide management with a total figure for debtors and creditors (1) which can help in the preparation of the balance sheet (1) they can also assist in the prevention of fraud as they are normally prepared independently of the sales and purchase ledger (1).</p> <p data-bbox="384 943 1190 1077">However the preparation of control accounts can be time consuming (1) and there may be some errors in the accounts which remain undetected by the preparation of the control accounts (1).</p> <p data-bbox="384 1115 1265 1211">Overall although there are many advantages to a business of using a control account these may be outweighed by some of the disadvantages (1).</p>	(5)

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