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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 descriptions 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.

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.

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.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(a)	Define the term external stakeholder.	2	AO1 – 2
	Precise definition [2] Imprecise definition showing some understanding [1]		
	Examples: An individual, group, or organisations outside of an enterprise interested in the activities/decisions. [2] Someone outside the enterprise [1] Someone interested in or affected by the enterprise. [1]		
1(b)	Explain why the café manager could be a stakeholder in Leo's proposed future enterprise.	3	AO1 – 1 AO2 – 1 AO3 – 1
	Identification of a reason [1] Explanation showing understanding [+1] Application to the case enterprise [1]		
	 Answers may include: the coffee grinds come from the café [1] therefore he is a supplier [+1] the manager gains revenue from sales [1] of the booklets [1] therefore he wants the enterprise to do well [+1] 		
	Booklets [1] are an extra service [1] which will improve the café's revenue. [+1]		

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1(c)	State <u>two</u> enterprise skills.	2	AO1		
	Each skill [1] Answers may include: • practical skills • leadership • team-building • delegation • problem-solving • prioritisation • resourcefulness • innovation • taking initiative • taking calculated risks • responsibility • motivation/determination to succeed • creativity • perseverance • influencing skills/self confidence.				

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1(d)	Explain one way that you have been enterprising. Use an example to support your answer. Identification of a way of being enterprising [1] Explanation showing understanding [+1] Application to candidate's own experience [1] Answers might include: using technology for learning learning/working as part of a team making reasoned evaluations developing new skills thinking creatively taking the initiative organising activities problem-solving. Example: Using technology for learning [1] I developed a spreadsheet of past exam questions [1] so I could select questions by topic when revising. [+1]	3	AO1 – 1 AO2 – 1 AO3 – 1

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2(a)	Select the most appropriate word to complete each of the sentences about SWOT analysis. • external • adverse • internal • favourable Financial limitations arefactors affecting an enterprise. Legislation and regulations arefactors Financial limitations are internal [1] factors affecting an enterprise. Legislation and regulations are external [1] factors.	2	AO1 – 2
2(b)	Explain one way Leo's enterprise ideas could have a positive effect on stakeholders other than customers. Identification of an impact [1] Explanation showing understanding of the impact on stakeholder [+1] Application to a stakeholder case study enterprise [1] Answers may include impacts on society: • supporting community activities/the recycling booklet • reducing pollution/reusing coffee grinds • donating profit to charity. Examples: Coffee grounds not thrown away [1] café owner [1] reduces the café waste which needs to be removed Earning profit/income [1] for Leo (owner) [1] to pay his education [+1] Donating money to charity [1] will improve brand image of the enterprise. [+1]	2	AO1 – 1 AO2 – 1 AO3 – 1

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2(c)	Define the term customer satisfaction.	2	AO1 – 2			
	Precise definition [2] Imprecise definition showing some understanding [1]					
	Examples: The extent to which customers are pleased with the products /services provided by an enterprise [2]					
	Measure of how well products/services meet customer expectations [2]					
	The level to which needs and wants of a customer are met [2]					
	Customers are happy/pleased with the product/service [1]					
	Meeting customer expectations. [1]					

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2(d)	Explain <u>one</u> method you used, or could have used, to measure customer satisfaction in <u>your enterprise</u> <u>project</u> .	3	AO1 – 1 AO2 – 1 AO3 – 1
	Identification of a method [1] Explanation showing understanding [+1] Application to candidate's own enterprise [1] Answers may include:		
	 number of sales number of complaints mystery shopper feedback (questionnaires)/ primary research focus groups. 		
	Example: We used a survey [1] to ask the customers for feedback [+1] which helped us see what they liked about the cupcakes. [1]		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3(a)	State <u>two</u> financial records usually produced by an enterprise.	2	AO1
	Each correct record [1] Answers may include: • budgets • cashflow forecasts/statement • income statements/trading profit and loss • balance sheet /statement of financial position.		

Question		Α	nswer	Marks	Guidance
	Option 1: Booklet		Option 2: Coffee logs		
	Costs US\$		Costs US\$		
Printing for 100 book		5	Materials for 100 coffee logs	10	
			Packaging for 100 logs	15	
	Selling Price		Selling Price		
One book	klet	50 cents	Selling price per bag of 10 coffee logs	8	
3(b)(i)	booklets (Option Profit US\$ 45 [3] If answer is incomposed to the control of the	n 1). 3] rrect marks	the profit made by selling 100	3	D1 – 1 D2 – 2
3(b)(ii)	bags of coffee I Profit US\$ 55 [3]	ogs (Option rect up to 2 S \$ \$80 (US	marks may be awarded for:	3	D1 – 1 D2 – 2

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3(b)(iii)	Calculate the difference in profit between Option 1 and Option 2. \$10 [2] or booklets \$10 less than coffee logs [2] Difference is option1 profit minus option 2 profit. [1]	2	AO1 – 1 AO2 – 1 OFR Applies \$32.50 or relevant OFR

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4(a)	State <u>two</u> suitable aims, other than making a profit, for Leo's enterprise.	2	AO2 – 2
	Each suitable aim [1] Answers may include: • to establish the enterprise/gain sales/gain customers • survival • legal compliance • reduce pollution/help society • customer satisfaction/good reputation.		
4(b)	Explain how one aim of your enterprise project affected its activities. Use an example to support your answer. Identification of the effect of the aims [1] Explanation showing impact on activities [+1] Application to their own enterprise project [1] Examples: We aimed to make a profit so had to control costs [1] this meant we searched for the cheapest supplier [+1] of cloth for the t-shirts. [1]	3	AO1 – 1 AO2 – 1 AO3 – 1
	Aimed to prioritize customer satisfaction therefore we had repeat purchases [1] leading to greater revenue. [+1]		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4(c)	State <u>two</u> ways that writing an action plan could assist an enterprise.	2	AO1 – 2
	 Each correct way [1] Answers may include: identifying all the important activities/reduces wasted time and effort [1] identifying problems in advance [1] allocates who is responsible for each task /helps identify who had not done work [1] acts as a checklist/progress can easily be tracked. [+1] 		
4(d)	State three sources of help and support available to an enterprise.	3	AO1 – 3
	Each source [1] Answers may include: government/business agencies consultants financial institutions/banks charities teachers business networks/other entrepreneurs friends and family.		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5(a)	Explain one problem with the method of market research that Leo used. Identification of a problem with research [1] Application to the research Leo used [1] Explanation of why this is a problem. [+1] Answers may include: • research very limited [1] Leo only asked one person (Elizabeth) [1] which means the results may be incorrect/biased [+1] • Leo used one website [1] which may be outdated [1] and recently problems with the ideas might have been found. [+1]	3	AO1 – 1 AO2 – 1 AO3 – 1
5(b)	Define the term marketing. Precise definition [2] Imprecise definition showing some understanding [1] Answers may include: • anticipating, identifying, and satisfying customer needs [2] • the communication between an enterprise and its (potential) customers [2] • raising awareness of the product/service [1] • improving image of the enterprise. [1]	2	AO1 – 2

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5(c)	Explain <u>one</u> factor you considered when choosing the appropriate marketing communications used in <u>your</u> <u>enterprise project</u> .	2	AO1 – 1 AO2 – 1
	Identification of a factor [1] Application to own enterprise [1]		
	Answers may include:		
	Example: Cost was most important [1] as we only had US\$20. [1]		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5(d)	Justify <u>one</u> method of marketing communication that would be suitable for marketing <u>either</u> the booklets <u>or</u> the coffee logs.	3	AO1 – 1 AO2 – 1 AO3 – 1
	Identification of a marketing communication [1] Explanation showing how the method would work [+1] Application to coffee log/booklet enterprise. [1] Answers may include: • magazines/newspapers • posters/leaflets • online communication/social media • word of mouth • samples/tasters.		
	Example: Word of mouth [1] Leo could tell the customers about the coffee logs he was making [1] as a new enterprise he has little finance to afford other methods. [+1]		
	Handout samples [1] so customers would persuade others to buy them. [+1].		

Question		Answer		Marks	Guidance
6(a)	Leo is writing a proposal for the booklet idea. He intends to use this proposal when explaining the booklet idea to the café manager. Analyse the importance of careful planning for the success of Leo's meeting with the café manager. You should consider two reasons in your answer.			10	The grade descriptions describe performance at the top of the band.
	Level	Description	Mark		
	3	Good analysis consistently applied to the case study/ Demonstrates good knowledge of concepts	8–10		
	2	Some analysis supported by good application to the case study Demonstrates knowledge of concepts	4–7		
	1	Limited application to the case study Demonstrates knowledge of concepts	1–3		
	0	No creditable response	0		
	ide reside takger	edge may include: ntifies types of planning - business plan, act earch ntifies what is involved in planning/steps to e/information to plan neral benefits of planning such as more likel proval/ agreement/ reduces risk.	•		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6(a)	 Phrases which demonstrate some analysis may include: planning will allow Leo to select the best information to prove to the café owner that the booklets will be a good product to provide be confident as well prepared/planning will lead to a more convincing proposal. Phrases which demonstrate good analysis will the impact of this on the meeting. These may include: Planning will allow Leo to select the best information to prove to the café owner that the booklets will be a good product to provide. Therefore, the manager is more likely to agree to the proposal. 		

Question		Answer		Marks	Guidance
6(b)	Leo has two enterprise ideas: Option 1: producing booklets for the café to sell Option 2: setting up his own enterprise selling coffee logs. Evaluate which of these ideas you would recommend Leo should choose. Justify the option chosen, explaining why you rejected the other option.			15	The grade descriptions describe performance at the top of the band.
	Level	Description	Mark		
	4	Clear reasoned evaluation is present Good analysis applied consistently to the case study Demonstrates good knowledge of relevant concepts	12–15		
	3	Good analysis applied consistently to the case study is leading to evaluation Demonstrates knowledge of relevant concepts	8–11		
	2	Some application to the case study supported by some analysis Demonstrates knowledge of relevant concepts.	4–7		
	1	Limited application to the case study Demonstrates some knowledge of relevant concepts.	1–3		
	0	No creditable response	0		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6(b)	 Knowledge may include: general benefits of each option without evidence e.g. higher profit, can be seen by customers benefits /costs of operating as a sole trader. 		
	 Phrases which demonstrate some analysis may include: use of calculations from Q3 selling the booklets in the coffee bar, he would not need to find a customer base customers may research the information in the booklet themselves selling coffee logs he keeps the profit /booklets the café profits. 		
	 Phrases which demonstrate good analysis will show why this is a point to consider and may include: customers could research the information in the booklet themselves for free so would not be willing to pay for the booklets additional calculation not shown in question 3. 		
	Evaluation maybe shown by a two-sided approach considering the benefit and negative aspects of each choice.		

Question		Answer		Marks	Guidance
7(a)	During your enterprise project, you followed the six stages of the enterprise process. Analyse the importance to your enterprise project of: monitoring progress evaluating successes and failures. Use examples to support your answer.			10	The grade descriptions describe performance at the top of the band.
	Level	Description	Mark		
	3	Good analysis consistently applied to their own enterprise experience. Demonstrates good knowledge of concepts	8–10		
	2	Some analysis supported by good application to their own enterprise experience. Demonstrates knowledge of concepts	4–7		
	1	Limited application to their own enterprise experience. Demonstrates knowledge of concepts	1–3		
	0	No creditable response	0		
	Monitorhowprobiden	dge may include: ing progress: monitoring could be achieved e.g. action blems identified early on and can be corre atifies if tasks not completed / problems w rspending.	ected		

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance				
7(a)	 Evaluation of successes and failures: identified improvements for next time/to improve progress helps recognise skills and qualities of each member of the enterprise identifies actions that should be repeated. Phrases which demonstrate some analysis may include: Evaluating success and failure helped me to identify which cupcake flavours were not selling well. Phrases which demonstrate good analysis will the impact of this on their enterprise. These may include: Identifying which cupcake flavours were not selling let me produce more popular flavours which improved my sales revenue. 						

Question		Answer		Marks	Guidance
7(b)	There are many sources of finance available to enterprises. Evaluate the potential impact on <u>your enterprise project</u> of <u>two</u> sources of finance you used, or could have used. Use examples to support your answer.			15	The grade descriptions describe performance at the top of the band.
	Level	Description	Mark		
	4	Clear reasoned evaluation is present Good analysis applied consistently to their enterprise Demonstrates good knowledge of relevant concepts	12–15		
	3	Good analysis applied consistently to their enterprise is leading to evaluation Demonstrates knowledge of relevant concepts	8–11		
	2	Some application to their enterprise supported by some analysis Demonstrates knowledge of relevant concepts	4–7		
	1	Limited application to their enterprise Demonstrates some knowledge of relevant concepts	1–3		
	0	No creditable response	0		

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
7(b)	 Knowledge may include: methods of finance difficulty in acquiring finance limited goods/services produced cost of finance reduced profit margin time frame to return finance causes focus on gaining revenue level of risk in method of finance/general advantages or disadvantages. Phrases which demonstrate some analysis may include: loans from family allowed us to start quickly because they did not need any paperwork for the loan I did not have to pay this back which lowered my costs. Phrases which demonstrate good analysis will show why this is a point to consider and may include: Loans from family allowed us to start quickly because they did not need any paperwork for the loan. Therefore, we could start making revenue before the other groups. Evaluation maybe shown by a two-sided approach considering the benefit and negative aspects of each choice. 		