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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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Question	Answer					
1(a)	4 600 + 73 850 + 9000 = \$87 450 (1) 11 480 + 50 250 + 7200 = \$68 930 (1) 87 450 - 68 930 = \$18 520 (1)OF	3				
1(b)	Anjali Income Statement for the year ending 30 September 2020. \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ Revenue W1	17				
1(c)(i)	W2 50 250 + 1290 (1) + (11 470 – 9930) (1 both) = \$53 080 (1)OF Gross margin = 29 990 / 80 350 = 37 32% (1)OF	1				
1(c)(i)	Gross margin = 29 990 / 80 350 = 37.32% (1)OF	1				
1(c)(ii)	Mark-up = 29 990 / 48 290 = 62.10% (1)OF					
1(c)(iii)	Profit margin = 13 060 / 80 350 = 16.25% (1)OF					
1(d)(i)	Reduce the cost of sales (1) by finding less expensive supplies (1). Accept other valid responses					
1(d)(ii)	Better control of overhead expenses (1) such as reducing irrecoverable debts (1) Accept other valid responses					
1(e)	Employees – To be aware of profitability to assess job security and remuneration. (1) Suppliers– To assess likelihood of being paid amounts owed. (1) Government – To confirm correct amounts of taxes are being paid. (1) Accept other valid responses					

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Question	Answer				
2(a)	Reducing balance (1). Straight-line (1). Revaluation (1).				
2(b)	Motor vehicle – reducing balance (1). The asset loses value more quickly at the beginning of its life therefore more depreciation is charged in the early years (1). More maintenance expenditure is expected in later years so less depreciation (1). Max. 3				
	Machine – straight line (1). The asset loses value at a steady rate (1). The same benefit is received over the life so equal depreciation is charged in accordance with the accruals concept (1) spreading the cost over the useful economic life (1). Max. 3 Accept other valid responses				
2(c)	Scenario	Concept	3		
	Khalid used the business bank account to pay for a deposit for a family holiday. This was treated as a business expense. Business entity (1).				
	A stapler for \$10 paid by Khalid out of the business bank account was added to the business office equipment account balance.	Materiality (1).			
	Khalid became aware that a trade receivable owing \$1500 was bankrupt. He took no action when preparing the annual accounts.	Prudence / matching/accruals (1).			
2(d)	To provide information about the financial financial position of the business (1) and to comparison to previous years / other business.	o facilitate decision making/	3		
	Accept other valid responses				

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Question	Answer					
3(a)	Partnership realisation account \$					
	Non-current assets 160 000 Trade payables 30 000 Current assets 60 000 Bank – nca 175 000 Bank – t. payables 27 000 (1) inventory 42 000 – dissolution costs 4 000 (1) t. recs. 12 000					
	Capital Roberto 4 800 (1)OF Sangeeta 3 200 (1)OF 259 000 259 000					
3(b)	Capital accounts Roberto Sangeeta \$ \$ Roberto Sangeeta \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$ \$	5				
	Bank 139 800 53 200 (1)OF* Realis. 4 800 3 200 (1)OF* 139 800 63 200 139 800 63 200 * OF marks are for both					
3(c)	Bank account \$ \$ Realisation	5				
	12 000 Realisation 27 000 4 000 (1) Capital R 139 800 (1)OF Capital S 53 200 (1)OF 229 000 229 000					

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)(i)	FIFO Simple to calculate (1). Approved by IAS2 (1) Inventory valuations are based on the most recent receipts (1) Max 2 Accept other valid responses.	2
4(a)(ii)	LIFO Simple to calculate (1) When prices rise profits will fall (1). May correspond to flow of inventory – 'top of pile' (1). Max 2 Accept other valid responses.	2

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Question	Answer					Marks		
4(a)(iii)	AVCO Automatically adjusts for price rises and falls (1). Approved by IAS2 (1) Provides an average price for goods issued (1) Max 2 Accept other valid responses.						2	
4(b)	The use of selling price would result in an overstatement of profit / current assets (1) so inventory should be valued at lower of cost and net realisable value (1) in accordance with the prudence concept (1) Max 3						3	
	Accept other valid responses.							
4(c)	4(c) Kevin Marginal costing income statement						5	
		Jan	uary	Feb	ruary			
		\$	\$	\$	\$			
	Sales		300 000		420 000 (1) both			
	Opening Inv	_		27 000				
	Cost of prod	162 000		162 000				
	Closing Inv	(27 000) (1)	(135 000)	-	(189 000)			
	Contribution		165 000		231 000 (1)OF both			
	Fixed costs		(100 000)		(100 000) (1) both			
	Profit		65 000		131 000 (1)OF both			

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Question	Answer						Marks
4(d)	Kevin Absorption costing income statement					6	
	January February			ruary			
		\$	\$	\$	\$		
	Sales		300 000		420 000 (1) both		
	Opening Inv	-		42 000			
	Cost of prod	252 000		252 000			
	Closing Inv	(42 000) (1)	(210 000)	-	(294 000)		
			90 000		126 000 (1) both		
	Under absorbed		(10 000) (1)		(10 000) (1)		
	Profit		80 000		116 000 (1)OF both		
4(e)	Marginal costing profit \$65 000 (1)OF Closing inventory $(3000 \times \$5) \$15 000$ (1) Absorption costing profit $\$80 000$ (1)OF					3	
4(f)	 Marginal costing Easier to operate (1). Aids short-term decision making (1). Enables optimum allocation of resources (1). Avoids the problems of over/under absorption (1). Absorption costing More complex / may require specialist knowledge (1) Gives higher profit when inventory levels increase (1) Includes an element of fixed cost in the inventory valuation (1). Absorbing overheads into costs aids the setting of prices (1). Reviewing under and over absorption may aid control and management of the business (1). 					gement	7
	Accept other valid responses. 1 mark for decision and Max 6 marks for valid points.						

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