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BUSINESS STUDIES

Paper 1 Short Answer and Essay

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No Additional Materials are required.

READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST

An answer booklet is provided inside this question paper. You should follow the instructions on the front cover of the answer booklet. If you need additional answer paper ask the invigilator for a continuation booklet.

Section A Answer all questions. Section B Answer one question. You are advised to spend no more than 35 minutes on Section A.

The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.

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Section A (Short Answer)

Answer all questions.

1	(a)	Define the term 'stakeholder'.	[2]
	(b)	Briefly explain two ways a public limited company is accountable to its shareholders .	[3]
2	(a)	Define the term 'process innovation'.	[2]
	(b)	Briefly explain two ways a manufacturing business could use process innovation to impre efficiency and effectiveness.	ove [3]
3	Ехр	lain how cost data can be used to monitor and improve business performance.	[5]
4	(a)	Define the term 'management'.	[2]
	(b)	Briefly explain two of Mintzberg's roles of management.	[3]

Section B (Essay)

Answer **one** question only.

5	(a)	Explain, with examples, the difference between 'above the line' and 'below the line' n	methods
		of promotion.	[8]

- (b) Discuss the importance of branding for effective product promotion. [12]
- 6 An international chain of coffee shops is planning to expand into a new country. Discuss the factors that could affect the decision on how to finance this investment. [20]
- 7 (a) Explain why a business might have a high rate of labour turnover. [8]
 - (b) Discuss how a cruise ship company could solve the problem of a high level of passenger complaints about poor customer service. [12]

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