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Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
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- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit
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- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
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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.

Question	Answer							
1(a)(i)	Define the term 'limited liability' (line 2).				2			
	Knowledge			Marks				
	A correct definition			2				
	A partial, vague or unfocused definition			1				
	No creditable content			0				
	Content Any two of the following points: continuity, separate legal identity; shareholders; losses limited to investment/no personal risk.							
	Exemplar	Ratior	nale					
	A business whose shareholders/owners are not personally responsible for any business debts	2	Both element	ts met				
	A business whose owners personal assets will not be used to pay business debts	2	Both element	ts met				
	A business whose owners have a separate legal identity to the business	2	Both element	ts met				
	A shareholder can only lose the capital invested in the business	2	Both element	ts met				
	Limited liability for business debts	2	No reference owners/ shar					
	When a business fails, the owners are not responsible for the debts	1	Limited liabili explained cle					
	A company is protected from financial loss	0	Not a correct	definition				
	No responsibility for business debts	0	Too vague					

Question		Answer				Marks
1(a)(ii)	Briefl	y explain the term 'competitive pric	cing stra	tegy' (line 3).		3
	Award	one mark for each point of explanati	on:			
		Knowledge)		Marks	
	С	Example or some other way of show	ving good	d understanding	1	
	В	Same price or lower or higher			1	
	А	Price is based on what the competit	ion chan	ges	1	
	• C	mark is dependent on A and B being	present		<u> </u>	
	Basing the price on what the competition is charging. This may be to set the same price as the competition or, in most cases, to set a lower price than the competition.ExemplarMarksRationale					
		Exemplar	IVIAI NS	Rational	le	
	price	ng the selling price in relation to the es of competitors; e.g. a lower price tract customers	3	All elements me	et	
		lentify competitors prices and then ng lower to achieve more sales	3	All elements me	et	
		To set your prices lower than competitor businesses		A and B		
		et your prices in relation to petitor businesses	1	No example or extended understanding		
	A wa more	ay of pricing your good to make it e attractive to purchase	0	Too vague		

Question	Answer		Marks					
1(b)(i)	Using Table 2 and any other relevant information, calculat even number of kilometres each month for vehicle Z.	te the break	3					
	Rationale	Marks						
	Correct answer, with or without working or units	3						
	Correct use of figures (price – variable costs per unit)	2						
	Formula*	1						
	No creditable content	0						
	* Can be implied by use of figures ** Can be in the form of a diagram							
	Content							
	Fixed costs or fixed cost or TR = TC** Contribution price – var unit	iable costs per						
	Contribution = \$0.50 - \$0.30 = \$0.20							
	<u>\$380</u> \$0.20							
	= 1900 kilometres							
	Rationale	Marks						
	1900 (with or without Km) (ignore miles, etc.)	3						
	\$500 / \$0.25 = 2000 (OFR for different car)	2						
	Fc / contribution	1						
	\$2000	0						

Question	Answer						
1(b)(ii)			why break even ana new vehicle.	lysis might <u>not</u> be use	ful to OT	3	
	Level		Knowledge and	Application	Marks		
	2b APP	Explar in con	nation of a limitation of text	break-even analysis	3		
	2a(K + K)		Explanation of a limitation of break-even analysis out of context				
	1(K)	Identif	ication of a limitation c	f break-even analysis	1		
	0	No cre	editable content	0			
	Does no	t take ir pleted th	nen Car Y might be far Possible context	/ – If many miles above	breakeven Marks		
	Other factors in addition to cost		(K+K) E.g. a non-financial factor	E.g. boot space (in a car)	3		
	Costs could change		Which make the VC and FC change	So on the price of replacement car parts may be important	3		
	Does not tal	ke into	May breakeven but	As Car Y may be more profitable if more			

Question	Answer								
1(c)	Analyse <u>two</u> external sources of finance OT could use for the new taxi.								
	Level	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks	Analysis (4 marks)	Marks				
	2b	Shows understanding of two external sources of finance in context	4	Developed analysis of two external sources of finance in context	4				
	2a	Shows understanding of one external source of finance in context	3	Developed analysis of one external source of finance in context	3				
	1b	Shows knowledge of two external sources of finance	2	Limited analysis of two external sources of finance	2				
	1a	Shows knowledge of one external source of finance	1	Limited analysis of one external source of finance	1				
	0	0 No creditable content							
	 New sell Ban Leas Deb Hire Grat ARA 	 sell shares but not to the general public. Loss of control of business. Bank loan – can be secured or not on the car Leasing – good option for a car as lower maintenance costs, etc. Debt factoring Hire purchase Grant/government finance 							
		ard out of context answers ouy the new taxi' for app a			o not				

Question	Answer					
1(c)	Examples of external sources	Examples of application/ context	Examples of possible analysis	Examples of possible developed analysis		
	New shareholders	In addition to the two brothers	Less future profits	Means they have to work harder		
	Bank loan	For \$30 000	Fixed monthly repayments	Help with budgeting		
	Leasing	saves \$30 000 up front costs	Don't need up- front investment	No loss on control		
	HP	Don't need the full \$30 k up front	Don't need up- front investment	Own the car at the end of the period		

uestion	Answer						
(d)			vant information, recommend th t. Justify your recommendation				
	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks	Analysis and Evaluation (7 marks)	Marks			
			A justified recommendation based on a developed argument of the suitability of one market segment in Table 1	7			
			A developed recommendation based on a developed argument of the suitability of one market segment in Table 1	6			
			A basic recommendation based on a developed argument of the suitability of one market segment in Table 1	5			
	Shows understanding of two market segments in context	4	Argument of targeting two market segments in context	4			
	Shows understanding of one market segment in context	3	Argument of targeting one market segment in context	3			
	Knowledge of two or more market segments	2	Limited analysis of targeting two market segments*	2			
	Knowledge of one market segment	1	Limited analysis of targeting one market segment	1			
	No	creditab	le content	0			
	market segment OT shou	uld targe	vant information, recommend th t. Justify your recommendation ntified, any repeat AN's should be correct analysis level				
	Contents						
	No brand loyalty – taxi	ourneys – is will nee	could be higher number of custor ed to be conveniently placed bund to pick up customers – will ir				

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(d)	 Commuters Longer journey than shoppers- more revenue Shorter journeys than night time Two relatively short periods for travel - could be too busy to cover with 5 taxis (or 1 taxi if only new taxi is used) High brand loyalty - quality of service will be important Booked in advance - so can plan other work (airports etc) around prebooked journeys Night-time Longest journeys - highest potential revenue Anti-social hours (and possibly anti-social behaviour) Longer period for travel than commuters 	
	 Some brand loyalty – could build up a good reputation and perhaps lead to telephone bookings 	

Question	Answe	r			Marks	
2(a)(i)	Define the term 'unique selling point' (li	ne3).			2	
	Knowledge			Marks		
	A correct definition			2		
	A partial, vague or unfocused definition			1		
	No creditable content			0		
	 Different/differentiates about a business's product/service Factor or feature Exemplar Mark Rationale 					
	Exemplar	Mark	Rationa	le		
	A factor that differentiates a product from its competitors	2	Full definition			
	A feature that differentiates a product service	2	Implied compet	tition		
	A feature that sets you apart from competitors	2	Full definition			
	A special feature of your product	1	No relation to competition			

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Question		Answe	r			Marks	
2(a)(ii)	Briefly e	xplain 'Herzberg's motivation t	heory' (line 18).		3	
	Award or	ne mark for each point of explanat	ion:				
		Knowled	ge		Marks		
	C*	Example or some other way of s understanding	showing	good	1		
	В	Explaining hygiene and motivating:e.g. may motivate but will not demotivate and1e.g. do not motivate but may demotivate1					
	A	Identifying 'Hygiene factors' and	i 'motiva	ating factors'	1		
	*C is dep	endent on A and B being identifie	d		11		
			demoti	vate, basic pay, he Rationale			
		Exemplar	Wark	Rationale	•		
	and mo	e factors which may demotivate tivation which does not ate but motivates e.g. a bonus tivator)	3	A, B and C cover	ed		
	and mo	e factors which may demotivate tivation which does not ate but motivates	2	A and B only			
	Motivating factors and hygiene factors		1	Identification not explanation			
	Keeping	your staff happy and motivated	0	Too vague / one	only		
	Bonuse	s are a motivating factor	0	No A or B			
		gs theory is about motivation/ or theory	0	TV			

Question	Answer		Marks
2(b)(i)	Using Table 1, calculate the total annual profit for FC.		3
	Rationale	Marks	
	Correct answer with or without correct working	3	
	Two correct percentage calculations	2	
	Correct percentage calculation or formula	1	
	No creditable content	0	
	2% of \$50 000 = \$1000 1% of \$70 000 = \$700 15% of \$200 000 = \$30 000 Total profit = \$31 700 Rationale	Marks	
	31 700 with or without working	3	
	31 700 with or without working 1000 + 700 + 30 000	3 2	
	1000 + 700 + 30 000	2	
	1000 + 700 + 30 000 100 + 70 + 3000 = 3170 (one error – decimal place)	2	

Question	Answer						
2(b)(ii)	Explain <u>one</u>	problem	that Min might have in allo	cating costs.			
	Level		Knowledge and Applicat	tion	Marks		
	2b APP	Explana context	tion of a problem of allocating	g costs in	3		
	2a (APP)	Explana context	Explanation of a problem of allocating costs no context				
	1 (K)	Identifica	Identification of a problem of allocating costs				
	0	No creditable content					
	 interdependent If a fish is bad/inedible – which part of the business should have waste as a cost? The restaurant and kitchen are part of the same building – how be separated (utilities, rent etc.) The kitchen staff could easily be seen as restaurant staff Min makes the decision – what qualifies her as able to allocate ARA 				v can costs		
	Proble	m (K)	Possible context (APP)	Explana (APP A			
	Separating s	similar	How would which costs apply to each area	E.g. kitchen or restaurant			
	May not have appropriate skills To be able to know which costs are in which area E.g. is the chef secondary or te						

Question	Answer						
2(c)	Analyse <u>two</u> appropriate ways that could be used to measure the size of FC.						
	Level	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks	Analysis (4 marks)	Marks		
	2b	Shows understanding of two ways to measure the size of FC	4	Developed analysis of two ways to measure the size of FC	4		
	2a	Shows understanding of one way to measure the size of FC	3	Developed analysis of one way to measure the size of FC	3		
	1b	Shows knowledge of two ways to measure the size of a business	2	Limited analysis of two ways to measure the size of a business	2		
	1a	Shows knowledge of one way to measure the size of a business	1	Limited analysis of one way to measure the size of a business	1		
	0	No creditable content					
	Note profit is NOT an acceptable measurement of size – 0 marks FC is a sole trader so share price is a non-contextual answer						
	 Content Revenue – whole business or individual part. What to compare it to? Number of customers – only applicable to the restaurant Number of employees Capital employed – kitchen, restaurant, boat, etc. Market share 						

Question	Answer					
2(c)	Examples of ways	Examples of application/ context	Examples of possible analysis	Examples of possible developed analysis		
	Revenue	31 700	Can compare with other businesses	So that Min/potential investors can judge the success of the business		
	Number of customers	Who buy fish and chips	Will tell Min the size of her market	However is only applicable to the restaurant		
	Number of employees	E.g. 3 chefs	Shows Min how much growth year on year	However does not take into account productivity/ automation		
	Capital employed	Kitchen, boat and restaurant	Can show growth over years	Which may attract future investors/ allow bank loan		
	Market share	Met growth objective	Satisfied initial objectives	However the market may have shrunk		

Question	Answer						
2(d)	Evaluate which stakeholders might be most affected by the change in FC's business objective from growth to profit maximisation.						
	Knowledge and Application (4 marks)	Marks Analysis and Evaluation (7 marks)		Marks			
			A justified judgement based on a developed argument of at least two stakeholders	7			
			A developed judgement based on a developed argument of at least two stakeholders	6			
		4	A basic judgement based on a developed argument of at least two stakeholders	5			
	Shows understanding of how two or more stakeholders in context		Arguments based on how two or more stakeholders may be affected by the change in business objectives in contex				
	Shows understanding of how one stakeholder in context	3	Argument based on how one stakeholder may be affected by the change in business objectives in context	3			
	Shows knowledge of two stakeholders	2	Limited analysis of how two stakeholders may be affected by the change in business objectives	2			
	Shows knowledge of one stakeholder	1	Limited analysis of how one stakeholder may be affected by the change in business objectives	1			
	No creditable content 0						
	 Content Min – as owner this may increase her personal income – better lifestyle, etc. Employees – may see a reduction in costs as a way of increasing profits, so may lead to redundancies or cut in wages, longer hours, etc. Customers – may be lower quality standards (costs cutting) and prices may increase Government – increase in taxation revenue Local community – increased trade, noise, etc. Competitors – May see a chance to compete with lower prices, attracted by higher profit margins. 						