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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	An intangible asset is an identifiable non-monetary asset **(1)** without physical substance **(1)** from which future benefits are expected. **(1)**	**3**
1(b)		**13**

	$	
Revenue	680 000	
Cost of sales **W1**	(401 714)	**(2)of**
Gross profit	278 286	**(1)of**
Distribution costs **W2**	(66 607)	**(3)of**
Administrative expenses **W3**	(147 837)	**(3)of**
Profit from operations	63 842	**(1)of**
Finance costs	(4 500)	**(1)**
Profit before tax	59 342	
Tax	(12 385)	**(1)**
Profit for the year	46 957	**(1)of**

W1
Cost of sales: 117 257 + 378 000 – (108 543 – 15 000 **(1)**) = 401 714 **(1)of**

W2 $
Distribution costs:
TB	70 152	
Provision	90	**(1)**
Prepayment	(3 635)	**(1)**
	66 607	**(1)of**

W3
Administrative expenses:
TB	145 267	
Accrual	2 480	**(1)**
Provision	90	**(1)**
	147 837	**(1)of**

Question	Answer	Marks
1(c)	Trade receivables turnover $= \dfrac{87\,450}{680\,000} \times 365 = 47$ days **(1)of** Inventory turnover ratio $= \dfrac{105\,400}{401\,714} \times 365 = 95.77$ days **(1)of** Trade payables turnover $= \dfrac{26\,550}{378\,000} \times 365 = 26$ days **(1)of** Working capital cycle = 47 + 96 – 26 = 117 days **(1)OF**	4
1(d)	It is taking longer to receive payment from customers than the allowed period. **(1)** There should be a review of the credit control system. **(1)** May consider discounts / incentives to encourage prompt payment. **(1)** Payment to suppliers is being made quicker than the allowed period. **(1)** This maintains a good relationship with the suppliers. **(1)** Future discounts / incentives should be protected. **(1)** Detrimental to cash flow **(1)** as payments are received 21 days after payments are made. **(1)** Inventory turnover of 95.77 days could be reduced to improve liquidity. **(1)** **1 for decision + Max 4 for justification**	5
25		25

Question	Answer	Marks
2(a)	<table><tr><td>Internal auditor</td><td>External auditor</td></tr><tr><td>Internal auditors are employees</td><td>External auditors are external independent persons</td></tr><tr><td>Review the business practices and internal control system to prevent mistakes</td><td>Examine the financial statements and give opinion whether the financial statements present a true and fair view and comply with legal requirements</td></tr><tr><td>Report to the senior management</td><td>Report to shareholders</td></tr></table> Accept any reasonable alternative. (**2 marks**) × 2 explanations	4
2(b)	Responses could include: • Proposed dividend – The proposed dividend has to be approved by shareholders at the annual general meeting. It is not regarded as liability at the statement of financial position date. According to IAS 10 *Events After The Reporting Period, a* proposed dividend should be treated as a non-adjusting event and entered as a note on the financial statements. • Depreciation of printing machine – According to IAS 16 *Property, Plant and Equipment*, the depreciation method used shall reflect the pattern in which the asset's future economic benefits are expected to be consumed by the business. As the consumption of the printing machine is decreasing, reducing balance method should be adopted. • Goodwill – IAS 38 *Intangible Assets* prohibits the recognition of internal generated goodwill. Therefore do not include this in the financial statements. • Inventory – According to IAS 2 *Inventories*, inventories should be valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Therefore inventory should be valued at $43 400 not $44 500 (**2 marks**) × 4 explanations It is not necessary to quote the relevant accounting standards.	8

Question	Answer	Marks
2(c)	 $ Original profit for the year 99 800 Less : Depreciation charge 15 000 **(1)** Less : Inventory overstated 1 100 **(1)** Revised profit for the year 83 700 **(1of)**	3

	Share capital $	Revaluation reserve $	Retained earnings $	Total $
Balance at start of year	1 000 000	100 000	94 600	1 194 600
Profit for the year			83 700 **(of)**	83 700
Dividend paid			(20 000) **(1)**	(20 000)
Balance at end of year	1 000 000	100 000	158 300	1 258 300
	(1)	**(1)**	**(1of)**	

(Question 2(d), Marks: 4)

Question	Answer	Marks
2(e)	Redrafted Statement of Financial Position at 31 December 2015	3

Redrafted Statement of Financial Position at 31 December 2015

	$
Non-current assets	
Freehold property	700 000
Machinery and equipment ($457 400 – $15 000)	442 400 **(1of)**
	1 142 400
Current assets	
Inventories ($44 500 – $1 100)	43 400 **(1of)**
Trade receivables	74 800
Cash and cash equivalents	36 000
	154 200
Total assets	1 296 600
Equity and liabilities	
Equity	
Share capital	1 000 000
Revaluation reserve	100 000
Retained earnings	158 300 **(1of)**
Total equity	1 258 300
Current liabilities	
Trade payables	38 300
	38 300
Total equity and liabilities	1 296 600

Question	Answer	Marks
2(f)	To prepare true and fair financial statements, it is essential that they are prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards **(1)**. Euan should voice his concerns and discuss with the directors **(1)** giving them the opportunity to revise the statements **(1)**. If the directors do not reflect the changes, the external auditor can consider issuing a qualified auditor report **(1)**. **Max. 3**	3
		25

Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	Differences: Surplus of income over expenditure is used instead of profit. **(1)** Excess of expenditure over income is used instead of loss. **(1)** Accumulated fund is used instead of capital. **(1)** An income and expenditure account is prepared instead of an income statement. **(1)** **Max 3**	3
3(b)	$ $ Revenue 52 750 Deduct cost of sales: Opening inventory 260 Purchases **W1** 33 910 **(3)** Closing inventory (156) **(1)** (34 014) **(1)of** Snack bar profit 18 736 **(1)of** **W1**: Purchases 33 785 – 460 **(1)** + 585 **(1)** = 33 910 **(1)of**	6

3(c)	Subscriptions Account
	                           $ $
	Balance b/d 1 750 **(1)** Balance b/d 500 **(1)**
	Income and Expenditure Account **(1)** 77 500 **(1)** Cash/bank 76 500 **(1)OF**
	Balance c/d 750 Balance c/d 3 000
	                             80 000 80 000
	Balance b/d 3 000 **(1)** Balance b/d 750 **(1)**
		7

3(d)	Apply for overdraft. **(1)** Seek loan. **(1)** Increase membership. **(1)** Increase subscription. **(1)** Increase prices charged in snack bar. **(1)** Introduce other trading activities. **(1)** **Max 4**	4

Question	Answer	Marks
3(e)	Advantages Would raise extra funds **(1)** without need for interest / repayment **(1)**. Club may get benefit of association with sponsor. **(1)** Disadvantages Sponsor may withdraw. **(1)** Club may become reliant on sponsors **(1)** Other income sources may suffer. **(1)** Any other valid advantages or disadvantage **Max 5**	**5**
25		**25**

Question	Answer	Marks

4(a)	**Consignment Account**
	
	                  $ $ $
	 Goods sent on consignment 150 000 **(1)** Tajid **W1** 202 500 **(3)**
	 Tajid – Commission 20 250 **(1)**
	          Selling 4 000 **(1)**
	          Import duty 1 500 **(1)** 25 750
	 Bank 3 000
	 Income statement 23 750
	                             202 500 202 500
	
	 W1: Tajid (sale proceeds): 157 500 **(1)** + 45 000 **(1)** = 202 500 **(1)of**
		9

4(b)	**Tajid Account**
	
	                $ $
	 Consignment account 202 500 **(1)of** Consignment account 25 750 **(1)of**
	                                    Bank 176 750 **(1)of**
	                202 500 202 500
		3

4(c)	**Goods sent on consignment Account**
	
	             $ $
	 Trading account 150 000 **(1)** Consignment account 150 000 **(1)**
	                    150 000 150 000
		2

4(d)	**Sachin Account**
	
	             $ $
	 Bank (Selling) 4 000 **(1)** Bank 202 500 **(1)**
	 Bank (Import duty) 1 500 **(1)**
	 Commission 20 250 **(1)**
	 Bank (Remittance) 176 750 **(1)**
	                 202 500 202 500
		5

4(e)	Newer version of appliance may be available. **(1)** Appliances may be damaged. **(1)** There may be competitors selling appliances at a cheaper price. **(1)** **Max 2**	2

Question	Answer	Marks
4(f)	There will be a profit of $23 750 (consignment) or $18 000 (home). **(1)** Therefore, based on these figures, Sachin should make the consignment. **(1)of** Tajid may not be able to accept the consignment **(1)** and/or may not be able to maintain the commission rate. **(1)** Overseas selling price may continue to fall. **(1)** There may be further investment opportunities at home as a result of pursuing this project. **(1)** Decision 1 **Max 3 justification**	**4**
25		**25**

Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)(i)	Material usage Experienced labour New machinery Better quality materials (less wastage) **(1 mark)** any one reason, **max 1**	**1**
5(a)(ii)	Labour efficiency Less skilled labour Lower grade materials More idle time than budgeted Poor supervision Machine breakdowns **(1 mark)** any one reason, **max 1**	**1**
5(b)(i)	Material price Std 83 100 kilos × $2 166 200 Actual 182 820 16 620 **(1)** A **(1)**	**2**

5(b)(ii)	Material usage
	
	Std 17 500 units × 5 kilo 87 500
	Actual 83 100
	                                  4 400 Kilos F
	                          × $2
	                            $8 800 **(1)** F **(1)**
		2

5(b)(iii)	Labour rate Std 37 500 hrs × $8 300 000 **(1)** Actual 281 250 18 750 **(1)** F	**2**

Question	Answer	Marks

5(b)(iv)	Labour efficiency
	
	Std 17 500 units × 2 hrs 35 000
	Actual 37 500
	                                  2 500 hrs A
	                        × $8
	                            $20 000 **(1)** A **(1)**
		2

5(b)(v)	Fixed overhead efficiency
	
	Actual hours 37 500
	Std hours 35 000
	           hours 2 500
	                         × $4 **(1)**
	                            $10 000 **(1)** A **(1)**
		3

5(b)(vi)	Fixed overhead capacity
	
	Actual hours 37 500
	Std hours 38 000
	           hours 500
	                       × $4 **(1)**
	                            $2 000 **(1)** A **(1)**
		3

Question	Answer	Marks
5(c)		**4**

Standard cost of actual production $34 × 17 500 $
595 000   **(1)**

Variances	Fav $	Adv $		
Material price		16 620		
Material usage	8 800			
Labour rate	18 750			
Labour efficiency		20 000		
Fixed overhead expenditure	37 000			
Fixed overhead efficiency		10 000		
Fixed overhead capacity		2 000		
	64 550	48 620	15 930	F **(1of)**

Actual cost of production **(1) both**   579 070   **(1)**

Working:

Actual cost of production:

	$
Direct materials	182 820
Direct labour	281 250
Fixed production overheads	115 000
	579 070

Question	Answer	Marks
5(d)	Assist in setting budgets. Evaluate managerial performance. Predict future costs for decision making. Motivate staff by providing targets. Provide ways of improving efficiency. Control device – uses variance analysis. Valuing inventories. Expensive Time consuming to operate Requires specialist knowledge Advice 1 mark 4 for reasons	5
25		25

Question	Answer	Marks
6(a)	Net present value method of capital investment appraisal uses the present value of the net cash flows less the initial investment. (cash inflows less cash outflows **(1)** using todays prices levels **(1)** at the company's cost of capital **(1)** **max (2)** The internal rate of return method of capital investment appraisal also uses the present values of cash flows. **(1)** However it represents the true interest rate earned by the investment over the course of its economic life **(1)**. This rate will cause the net present value to be returned to zero. **(1)** **max (2)**	4
6(b)	NPV at 14%	9

6(b)

NPV at 14%

	Net cash flow	DF	$	
0	(260 000)	1	(260 000)	**1**
1	144 000	0.877	126 288	**1of**
2	92 400	0.769	71 055.60	**1of**
3	126 000	0.675	85 050	**1of**
		NPV	22 393.60	**1of**

Working:

Units

1	36 000	30		26	144 000	**(1)**
2	42 000	30		27.8	92 400	**(1)**
3	42 000	31.5	**(1)**	28.5	126 000	**(1)**

Question	Answer	Marks

6(c)	lower rate + (different in rate × (low rate npv / low rate npv + high rate npv)
	14% **(1)** + (6% **(1)** × 22 393.60 **(1of)** / 22 393.60 + 2 968.40) = 19.3% **(1of)**
	
	at 20% NPV is
	
	        Net cash flow DF $
	0 (260 000) 1 (260 000) **(1)**
	1 144 000 0.833 119 952 *
	2 92 400 0.694 64 125.60 *(1)*
	3 126 000 0.579 72 954 *
	                      NPV (2 968.40) **(1)of**
		7

6(d)	The net cash flow generated over the 3 years is $102 400 **(1)**. This cash can be put to other uses within the business **(1)**. Production levels have increased up to 42 000 from 40 000 **(1)**. This means that the business can increase its market **(1)** and potentially its profit **(1)** max The net present value is positive with a cost of capital at 14%. **(1)** The discounted net cash flows exceed the initial cost of the investment **(1)** The internal rate of return is larger than the cost of capital **(1)** The return of the investment is greater than the cost **(1)** **Max 5**	5
25		25