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PUBLISHED**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.

PUBLISHED**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.

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1(c)	\$	\$	11
	Standard furniture Revenue	510 000	
	Opening inventory	71 000	
	Purchases	292 000	
	Closing inventory	<u>66 500</u>	
	Cost of sales	<u>296 500</u> (1)	
	Gross profit	213 500 (1)	
	Luxury furniture Revenue	484 000	
	Value transferred from factory	319 200 (1)OF	
	Closing inventory $\$35\,000 \times 120\%$	<u>42 000</u> (1)	
	Cost of sales	277 200	
	Gross profit	<u>206 800</u> (1)OF	
	Total gross profit	<u>420 300</u>	
	Factory profit	53 200 (1)OF	
	Less :unrealised profit $\$35\,000 \times 20\%$	<u>7 000</u> (1)	
		<u>46 200</u>	
		466 500	
	Administrative expenses W1	309 600 (2)	
	Selling and distribution costs W2	<u>73 000</u> (1)	
		<u>382 600</u>	
	Profit for the year	<u>83 900</u> (1)OF	
	W1		
	Administrative expenses		
		\$	
	Salaries for office staff	167 000	
	Depreciation of office equipment	8 600	
	Office rent	46 000	
	Other expenses	<u>88 000</u> (1)	
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1(d)	<p>Gross margin of standard furniture for 2021 is 41.86% (1)OF (\$213 500 / \$510 000)</p> <p>Effective gross margin (including factory profit) of luxury furniture for 2021 is 52.27% (\$206 800 + \$46 200) / \$484 000 (1)OF</p> <p>Luxury has a higher gross margin than standard (1)</p> <p>The inclusion of luxury furniture which has a high gross margin can improve the profit margin (1)</p> <p>Inclusion of luxury can increase the customer base which has positive effect on profitability (1)</p> <p>Synergy may occur, i.e. by streamlining some operations to reduce cost thus improving profitability (1)</p> <p>1 mark for each of the two calculations plus 1 mark for each other valid point up to a max of three.</p> <p>Accept other valid answers.</p>	5															

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2(a)	<p>Prudence concept / So that the value of the assets were not overstated (1)</p> <p>To ensure that the carrying amount of assets does not exceed their recoverable amount (1)</p> <p>So that the financial statements show a true and fair view (1)</p> <p>IAS 36 Impairment of assets (1)</p> <p>Max 3</p> <p>Accept other valid answers.</p>	3
2(b)	<p>Carrying amount at 31 December 2021 \$24 000 (\$36 000 – \$12 000) (1)</p> <p>Fair value less cost to sell \$21 000 – \$4000 = \$17 000 (1)</p> <p>Value in use \$18 500</p> <p>Recoverable amount is the higher of fair value (\$17 000) and value in use (\$18 500)(1), therefore recoverable amount is \$18 500 (1).</p> <p>Since the carrying amount (\$24 000) exceeds the recoverable amount (\$18 500) (1), the impairment loss is \$5500 (1) (\$24 000 – \$18 500)</p>	6

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2(c)		Building \$	Plant and Machinery \$	Motor Vehicle \$	11	
	Cost/valuation					
	1 January 2021	600 000	400 000	60 000		
	Addition		224 000			
	Revaluation	150 000	(1) W2			
	Impairment			(41 500)		
	31 December 2021	<u>750 000</u>	<u>624 000</u>	<u>18 500</u>		
	Accumulated depreciation					
	1 January 2021	150 000	160 000	24 000		
	Revaluation	(150 000)	(1)			
	Impairment			(36 000)		
	Charge for the year	50 000	(2) W4	12 000		
	31 December 2021	<u>50 000</u>	<u>116 000</u>	<u>12 000</u>		
			<u>276 000</u>	<u>-</u>		
	Carrying amount at 31 December 2021	<u>700 000</u>	<u>348 000</u>	<u>18 500</u>		
Carrying amount at 31 December 2020	450 000	240 000	36 000			
			(1)OF row			
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W1 \$200 000 + (\$54 000 – \$30 000) = \$224 000 **(1)**

W2 \$750 000 – \$600 000 = \$150 000 **(1)**

W3 (\$60 000 – \$18 500) = \$41 500 **(1)OF**

W4 \$750 000/15 **(1)** = \$50 000 **(1)OF**

W5 (\$624 000 – \$160 000) × 25% = \$116 000 **(1)OF**

W6 \$60 000 / 5 = \$12 000 **(1)**

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2(d)	<p>Advantages (Max 2) Repair and maintenance cost for the coming 5 years is fixed regardless of increase in future cost</p> <p>The service of same company for the coming 5 years is guaranteed</p> <p>Accept other valid advantages</p> <p>Disadvantages (Max 2) A one-off payment may adversely affect the cash flow</p> <p>Not flexible, may have another company providing better and/or cheaper service</p> <p>Accept other valid disadvantages</p> <p>1 mark for decision.</p>	5

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3(a)	<p>Cash equivalents are short-term (1) / highly liquid investments (1) that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash (1) and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value (1)</p> <p>Max 2</p> <p>Accept other valid answers.</p>	2

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3(c)	<p>Provides additional information (1) how the business generates and uses cash (1)</p> <p>Produced on a cash basis (1) whereas income statement and statement of financial position are prepared on accrual basis (1)</p> <p>Max 2 points x 2 marks (1 mark for a basic point and 1 mark for development)</p> <p>Accept other valid answers.</p>	4

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3(d)	<p>For (Max 2)</p> <p>Maybe the finance by overdraft is only for short-term, i.e. very strong cash from operations in the coming one or two years.</p> <p>The time to obtain overdraft is shorter than other means (debenture or issue of shares)</p> <p>No or minimal costs to obtain overdraft</p> <p>Have no impact on gearing ratio</p> <p>Against (Max 2)</p> <p>Long-term assets should be financed by long-term financing</p> <p>Interest rate of overdraft may be higher than debenture/bank loan, let alone no interest for issue of shares</p> <p>Overdraft is repayable on demand / short notice.</p> <p>1 mark for decision.</p> <p>Accept other valid answers.</p>	5

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4(a)	<p>Javeed can receive more commission (1) as he should not be responsible for the faulty goods (1)</p> <p>Javeed has given effort in selling goods (1) which are later returned; he spent further effort in dealing with the returned goods (1)</p> <p>Max 2 points × 2 marks (1 mark for a basic point and 1 mark for development)</p> <p>Accept other valid answers.</p>	4

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