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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.

**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.

Guidance on using levels-based marking

Marking of work should be positive, rewarding achievement where possible, but clearly differentiating across the whole range of marks, where appropriate.

The examiner should look at the work and then make a judgement about which level statement is the best fit. In practice, work does not always match one level statement precisely so a judgement may need to be made between two or more level statements.

Once a best-fit level statement has been identified, use the following guidance to decide on a specific mark:

- If the candidate's work **convincingly** meets the level statement, award the highest mark.
- If the candidate's work **adequately** meets the level statement, award the most appropriate mark in the middle of the range.
- If the candidate's work **just** meets the level statement, award the lowest mark.
- L1, L2 etc. must be clearly annotated on the response at the point where the level is achieved.

Assessment objectives**AO1 Knowledge and understanding**

Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of business concepts, terms and theories.

AO2 Application

Apply knowledge and understanding of business concepts, terms and theories to problems and issues in a variety of familiar and unfamiliar business situations and contexts.

AO3 Analysis

Analyse business problems, issues and situations by:

- using appropriate methods and techniques to make sense of qualitative and quantitative business information
- searching for causes, impact and consequences
- distinguishing between factual evidence and opinion or value judgement
- drawing valid inferences and making valid generalisations.

AO4 Evaluation

Evaluate evidence in order to make reasoned judgements, present substantiated conclusions and, where appropriate, make recommendations for action and implementation.

<u>To award</u>	<u>Proposed annotation</u>	<u>Comment</u>
Correct		For objective points that are right or wrong.
Incorrect		For objective points that are wrong.
Unclear		When there is a misunderstanding in a response.
Too Vague		When the candidate has attempted something, but the mark/skill has not been awarded.
Highlight	Highlighter Or Underline	To highlight a point or section of an answer that justifies the mark/annotation.
Benefit of doubt		When the candidate has attempted something, and the mark/skill has been awarded.
On page comment	On page comment	Rarely used in live marking.
Not using text		When the context has not been used.
Seen		To show a page/section has been seen/read.
Not answering question		When the response is not focussed on answering the question.

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Repetition	REP	The repetition of a previous point in a response Or Candidate is copying the case study/data.
Own figure rule	OFR	The own figure rule applies – acts as a mark/tick.
Knowledge (AO1) L1	K	When AO1 has been awarded. Number of Ks should match the mark awarded.
Knowledge (AO1) L2		
Application (AO2) L1	APP	When AO2 has been awarded. Number of APPs should match the mark awarded.
Application (AO2) L2		
Analysis (AO3) L1	AN	When AO3 at Level 1 has been awarded.
Analysis (AO3) L2	DEV	When AO3 at Level 2 has been awarded.
Evaluation (AO4) L1	EVAL	When AO4 at Level 1 has been awarded.
Evaluation (AO4) L2	E	When AO4 at Level 2 has been awarded.
Evaluation (AO4) L3	EE	When AO4 at Level 3 has been awarded.

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1(a)(i)	<p>Identify <u>one</u> type of training.</p> <p>Indicative content.</p> <p>Identification of a type of training: ✓</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Induction• On-the-job• Off-the-job <p>Only accept these responses</p>	1

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	Costs which are linked to the operations of a business K . For example, a gold mine would need to pay APP the miners who extract the gold APP .	3	An answer which starts with the knowledge and then applies it to costs with an example.	
	Something a business pays APP to make a product or service K , such as raw materials APP .	3	APP cannot be awarded without K, but once the K has been awarded you can go back and reward the APP. Any example (it does not need to come from the data) can be used.	
	Paid by a business APP , to produce a service K . The opposite of indirect costs which are not linked to production APP .	3	One of the APPs can come from further explanation it does not have to be an example.	
	Costs that are directly related to the production process K such as wages APP .	2	No application of costs, so max 2 marks.	
	Costs that can be attributed to a specific cost centre K unlike indirect costs which cannot APP . An example of a direct cost for GT are the wages of the tour guides.	2	Knowledge of the direct element with good understanding. The example is fine, but no understanding of costs.	
	Production costs K .	1	Simple knowledge of the direct element.	
	Costs which are directly accountable to a cost object K such as the marketing of GT.	1	Knowledge of the direct element – ignore anything that is incorrect. No negative marking.	
	The things a business has to pay TV . For example, a business may need to pay wages and advertising TV .	0	Although there is some attempt at application, these marks cannot be awarded without knowledge.	
	Direct costs are the same as variable costs TV .	0	Variable costs share some characteristics with direct costs, but they are not the same.	

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1(b)(i)	<p>Refer to Table 1.1. Calculate the change in GT's total costs between 2020 and 2022.</p> <p>Indicative content.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formula: total costs = total revenue – profit (1) Calculation of cost in either 2020 or 2022 (1) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Costs in 2020: \$3.4m – \$0.9m = \$2.5m Costs in 2022: \$2.8m – 0.2m = \$2.6m Change in costs: \$2.6m – \$2.5m = \$0.1m (1 OFR) <p>Answer = \$0.1m (3) Accept answer as a percentage 4% (with % sign) as full marks</p> <p>Exemplar and annotations</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="323 690 1949 1341"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="323 690 848 751">Marks</th><th data-bbox="848 690 1394 751"></th><th data-bbox="1394 690 1949 751"></th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="323 751 848 992">3 marks</td><td data-bbox="848 751 1394 992"> <p>Correct answer \$0.1m or 4% allow 0.1</p> <p>allow $(0.1 / 2.5) \times 100 = 4$ (obviously meant as a percentage)</p> </td><td data-bbox="1394 751 1949 992"> <p>Working and \$ do not matter. If presented as a percentage, then % sign must be included for full marks OR clear and correct working shown. Must be three ✓ to denote the three marks.</p> </td></tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="323 992 848 1341">2 marks</td><td data-bbox="848 992 1394 1341"> <p>Two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correct formula Correct calculation of TC for 2020 (2.5) Correct calculation of TC for 2022 (2.6) <p>OR An incorrect answer with one mistake allowing OFR for final stage.</p> </td><td data-bbox="1394 992 1949 1341"> <p>To award two marks, there must be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two ✓ and a ✗ OR One ✓, one ✗ and one OR </td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Marks			3 marks	<p>Correct answer \$0.1m or 4% allow 0.1</p> <p>allow $(0.1 / 2.5) \times 100 = 4$ (obviously meant as a percentage)</p>	<p>Working and \$ do not matter. If presented as a percentage, then % sign must be included for full marks OR clear and correct working shown. Must be three ✓ to denote the three marks.</p>	2 marks	<p>Two of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Correct formula Correct calculation of TC for 2020 (2.5) Correct calculation of TC for 2022 (2.6) <p>OR An incorrect answer with one mistake allowing OFR for final stage.</p>	<p>To award two marks, there must be</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two ✓ and a ✗ OR One ✓, one ✗ and one OR 	3
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	0 marks	No creditable content.	To award zero marks, there must be <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One ✗ 	

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	GT has gotten smaller, since their revenue K has fallen to \$2.8m APP and its visitors have also fallen to 0.65m APP .	3	Revenue is a way to measure size and the use of two data points for developed application.	
	As a theme park, visitor numbers K are an important way to measure size, which has fallen APP to 0.65m in 2022 APP .	3	Visitors is a way to measure size. The context of a theme park is limited application (go back and award after the K has been awarded) with a use of the data from Table 1.1 to develop this application.	
	Number of employees K has decreased APP to 46 in 2022 APP .	3	Only limited application through the use of one data point. It is not enough to state that it has 'decreased' – the figures must be used.	
	The number of people that GT employs K , such as the customer service operatives APP .	2	Application does not need to come from the data in Table 1.1.	
	The number of visitors K is really important because the more visitors GT has, the more revenue it is likely to generate and the bigger its profit. This all stems from the visitors who are the customers of GT and therefore the most important way to measure the size of GT NUT .	1	No specific context used in this answer.	
	The size of GT can be measured by the number of factories K it has. The more factories the more it can produce.	1	AO1 knowledge does not need to be in context, so can be awarded, even if the answer does not match the context.	
	A big business is likely to have more power in the market and can dominate the competition TV .	0	No valid way to measure the size of the business.	

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1(c)	<p>Analyse <u>two</u> possible sources of secondary market research that the Marketing Director could use to help improve GT.</p>				8
Level	AO1 Knowledge and understanding 2 marks	AO2 Application 2 marks	AO3 Analysis 4 marks		
2			<p>3–4 marks Developed analysis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Developed analysis that identifies connections between causes, impacts and/or consequences of two points. Developed analysis that identifies connections between causes, impacts and/or consequences of one point. 		
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0	<p>0 marks No creditable response.</p>	<p>0 marks No creditable response.</p>	<p>0 marks No creditable response.</p>		
	<p><i>Annotate the first source in the left-hand margin and the second source in the right-hand margin.</i></p>				

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1(c)	<p>Indicative content:</p> <p>AO1 Knowledge and understanding</p> <p>Knowledge of sources of secondary market research (max 2 <small>marks</small>), include;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • journal articles • textbooks • dictionaries and encyclopaedias • books • newspapers and magazines • accounts and reports • <u>previous</u> sales/internal data • competitor data • Data collected by other businesses • Feedback found on media / other sources – do not accept ‘internet’ unless the source is clear or other named internet source. <p><i>No further marks can be gained without knowledge and understanding</i></p> <p>AO2 Application</p> <p>Max one <small>mark</small> for application in the first source and max one <small>mark</small> for application in the second source, including;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Link to leisure markets, such as days out and entertainment. • Link to specific competitors, such as other days out, services, museums. • Link to elements specific to GT, such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – converted mine / gold mine – guided tours – roller coaster rides – entry prices of similar services – need to reduce price – need to make GT more fun. 	

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1(d)	<p>Disadvantages of intrapreneurship to GT may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> GT's employees (especially the younger workers on flexible contracts) may not have the experience and/or knowledge to help GT increase visitor numbers – opportunity cost of spending time on tasks other than their main function. GT's employees may not provide adequate solutions which may not increase visitor numbers – GT may make a loss in the future. GT needs a quick solution (because profit is likely to become loss in the near future) and intrapreneurship may not provide this – visitor numbers may not increase leading to GT making a loss or not surviving. GT already has two possible solutions (lower price and increase fun of the park), so a focus on intrapreneurial ideas may waste time – opportunity cost. <p>AO4 Evaluation</p> <p><i>Limited evaluation</i> EVAL – unsupported judgement and/or a weak attempt at evaluative comment</p> <p><i>Developed evaluation</i> E – supported judgement and/or reasonable evaluative comment</p> <p><i>Developed evaluation in context</i> EE – supported judgement in context and/or reasonable evaluative comment in context.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A judgement about the likely role of intrapreneurship in the ongoing success of GT. What the judgement might depend upon; the timeframe that GT must find a solution to their falling visitor numbers, the ability/skill of GT's workers, the ability/skill of Kayo to utilise the intrapreneurial skills of GT's employees, the validity of GT's previous primary market research, the findings of the secondary market research etc. Weighing up of the arguments for the role of intrapreneurship to the ongoing success of GT. <p>Accept all valid responses.</p>	

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2(a)(i)	<p>Identify <u>one</u> method of market segmentation.</p> <p>Indicative content</p> <p>Methods of market segmentation:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• geographic• demographic• psychographic/behavioural <p>Only accept these responses</p>	1

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2(a)(ii)	Explain the term ‘mass customisation’.		3
	AO1 Knowledge and understanding 1 mark	AO2 Application 2 marks	
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	Products which are changed based on customer preferences K , but still produced in large numbers APP for example T-Shirts with different designs APP .	3	An answer which starts with the knowledge and then applies it to the mass element with an example.	
	Mass customisation usually capital intensive production APP by using IT systems to make slightly different products K , on a production line APP .	3	APP cannot be awarded without K, but once the K has been awarded you can go back and reward the APP. Production line/assembly line/flow production is all fine for APP.	
	Products can be changed slightly K such as a car with different features APP .	2	Knowledge and an example.	
	Products which can be adapted to meet the differing needs of customers K .	1	Simple knowledge of the direct element.	
	Large scale production with capital intensive operations TV . For example, a T-Shirt with different designs TV .	0	Although there is some attempt at application, these marks cannot be awarded without knowledge.	

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