



BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT STANDARD LEVEL PAPER 1

Friday 18 May 2012 (afternoon)

1 hour 15 minutes

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Do not open this examination paper until instructed to do so.
- A clean copy of the **Business and Management** case study is required for this examination paper.
- Read the case study carefully.
- Section A: answer two questions.
- Section B: answer the compulsory question.
- A calculator is required for this examination paper.
- A clean copy of the **Business and Management** formulae sheet is required for this examination paper.
- The maximum mark for this examination paper is [50 marks].

SECTION A

Answer **two** questions from this section.

| 1. | (a) | General Ron Meiri was autocratic <i>(lines 8–9)</i> . Identify four key features of an autocratic leadership style. | [4 marks] |
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| | (b) | "The organizational structure of the <i>UWP</i> Mission was tall" (lines 9–10). Explain one advantage and one disadvantage of this type of structure. | [4 marks] |
| | (c) | Analyse the appropriateness of a bank loan as a source of finance for Kos Palouk's new lorry (lines 129–130). | [7 marks] |
| 2. | (a) | Loyka's economy is mainly in the primary sector (<i>line 1</i>). Briefly describe the nature of business activity in this sector. | [2 marks] |
| | (b) | Outline one reason why Kos Palouk does not need to do any additional marketing at the UWP Mission. | [2 marks] |
| | (c) | Using information from Appendix 5a, | |
| | | (i) calculate the net profit margin and the gross profit margin for Kos Palouk from his current operation (Option 1) . | [2 marks] |
| | | (ii) calculate the net profit margin and the gross profit margin for Kos Palouk from his forecast operation (Option 2) . | [2 marks] |
| | (d) | Interpret your results from part (c) and the data from Appendix 5a and 5b. | [7 marks] |
| 3. | (a) | Kos Palouk prepared a business plan (line 142). Identify four elements of a business plan. | [4 marks] |
| | (b) | With reference to Kos Palouk's business, distinguish between just-in-time and just-in-case stock control (<i>lines 136–138</i>). | [4 marks] |
| | (c) | Analyse the value of the social and environmental audit (line 96) for both General Diane Pierce and the local community. | [7 marks] |

SECTION B

Answer the compulsory question from this section.

- **4.** (a) Define the following terms:
 - (i) span of control (lines 10–11)

[2 marks]

(ii) primary research (line 97).

[2 marks]

(b) Prepare a SWOT analysis of Kos Palouk's current produce distribution business (with no changes) showing **only** the strengths **and** weaknesses.

[4 marks]

(c) Explain **two** social factors that could influence General Diane Pierce's decision regarding the construction project.

[4 marks]

(d) With reference to the *UWP* Mission to Loyka when General Diane Pierce arrived, discuss the relationship between aims, strategic objectives and operational objectives.

[8 marks]

Additional information

There is no additional information in this paper for Sections A and B.