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Question	Answer	Marks
1(a)	It allows management to assess the performance of the factory. (1)	4
	It allows for better cost control (1) as cost can be identified with specific cost centre. (1)	
	It allows for comparison between the cost of manufacturing a product in-house rather than buying it from an outside supplier. (1)	
	Factory manager can be rewarded for their specific performance which will motivate. (1)	
	Accept other valid points.	
	Max 4	
1(b)	Manufacturing account for JH Limited for year ended 31 October 2017	5
	Prime cost W1 270 000 (1) Factory overheads W2 509 000 (1) Opening work in progress 28 000 (1) both Closing work in progress (32 000) Cost of production of manufactured Factory profit (20%) 155 000 (1) OF with label Transfer price 930 000 (1) OF with label	
	W1 270 000 + 18 000 W2 461 000 + (60 000 + 3 000 + 1 000) × 75%	

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Question		Answer			Marks
1(c)	Income statement for JH L	imited for yea	r ended 31 C	October 2017	9
	Revenue	\$	\$		
	Opening inventory of finished goods Transfer price Closing inventory of finished goods	108 000 930 000 96 000	1 860 000		
	Cost of goods sold Gross profit	90 000	942 000 918 000	(1) OF (1) OF	
	Factory profit Decrease in provision for unrealized profit	155 000 2 000		(1) OF (1) with correct direction	
	Distribution costs	-	157 000 1 075 000 198 000	· (1)	
	Administration expenses Operating profit	-	368 000 509 000	(1) (1) (1) OF with label	
	Finance charges Profit of the year	- -	28 000 481 000	_ (1)	

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Question	Answer	Marks
1(d)	\$ original \$ adjusted Production cost / transfer price 930 000 968 750 Gross profit 918 000 879 250 Profit for the year 481 000 481 000	7
	Yes they can increase the percentage (1) as:	
	No effect on final profit for the year (1)	
	The increase in percentage will increase the transfer price (1)	
	Gross profit will be affected (1)	
	No they should not increase the percentage (1) as:	
	As selling price is based on production cost plus a mark-up, an increase in production cost will increase the selling price too (1). This may make the product uncompetitive reducing the levels of sales (1) and eventually profit (1) but depends on the increase in price by the competitors (1). It also depends on the price elasticity of demand of the product (1). The market may not accept an increase in price so by not increasing the mark-up they may gain customers (1).	
	Accept other valid points.	
	(1) decision	
	Max 2 marks for calculations	
	Max 4 marks for analysis	

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Question						Answer						Marks
2(a)	They provide additional information at the end of the financial year within the financial statements (1)											3
	They provide further explanations of specific items within the financial statements. (1)											
	They explain the accounting methods and principles used to prepare the financial information within the financial statements. (1) e.g. the policy on depreciation.											
	Accept other	valid points.										
	Max 3 marks											
2(b)		Ordinary shares		Share premium		Revaluation Reserve		General reserve		Retained earnings		15
		\$000		\$000		\$000		\$000		\$000	****	
	At 1 January 2016	2 000		300		400		100		1 500	(1) row	
	Interim dividend paid									(200))(1)W1	
	Share issue	1 000	(1)	200	(1)						W2	
	Rights issue	1 200	(2)	150	(1)						W3	
	Bonus issue	1 680	(1) OF	(650)	(1)	(400)	(1)	(100)	(1)	(530)	(1) W4	
	Profit for the year									363	(1) W5	
	Transfer to general reserve							47		(47)	(1) both	
	At 31 December 2016	5 880		0		0		47		1 086	(1) OF row	

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(b)	W1 0.20 × 1 000 000 = \$200 000 (1)	
	W2 \$2 × 500 000 = 1 000 000 (1) \$0.40 × 500 000 = 200 000 (1)	
	W3 $\frac{3000000}{2}$ = 1 500 000 shares × $\frac{2}{5}$ (1) = 600 000 shares issued × \$2.25 = \$1 350 000 cash \$1 200 000 (1) shares and \$150 000 (1) share premium	
	W4 $\frac{4200000}{2}$ = 2 100 000 shares × $\frac{4}{10}$ = 840 000 × \$2 = 1 680 000	
	W5 520 000 – (64 000 – 93 000) = \$363 000 (1)	
2(c)	The directors did act in the best interests of the shareholders (1) because:	7
	No interest is being paid on a loan. (1)	
	This saves \$68 000 over 5 years which would have adversely affected both the cash flow (1) and the profitability of the business.(1) The drop in profitability may affect shareholder confidence and the market price of the shares. (1)	
	The loan would increase the gearing (1)	
	The capital repayment would also reduce the cash flow (1) and the potential for future dividend payments due to lack of cash. (1)	
	Instead the shareholders could receive extra dividends. (1) This equates on the share issue and rights issue of an extra \$0.06 approximately per share (1)	
	The company may not have had enough cash or profit to pay the extra dividend. (1)	
	$\frac{4200000}{2}$ = 2 100 000 shares × 0.50 = \$1 050 000 dividend (1)	

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Question	Answer	Marks
2(c)	The directors did not act in the interests of the shareholders (1) because:	
	There has been a drop in the market price of each share of \$0.30. (1) With $\frac{5880000}{2}$ shares = 2 940 000 shares (1) × \$0.30 = \$882 000 (1)	
	Although the market value may increase this may take time (1)	
	Potential shareholders may question why a loan or a debenture was not taken out to finance the purchase of the factory instead of two share issues. (1)	
	There is no future effects on cash flow (1) or profitability (1) except for the dividend payments (1)	
	The money saved by making a bonus issue instead of paying extra dividends can be used on other areas within the business (1)	
	The shareholders can sell these shares at a future date once the market price increases.	
	$\frac{1680000}{2}$ = 840 000 shares × \$2.10 = \$1 764 000 (1) which is greater than the dividend suggested by the shareholder (1)	
	Accept other valid points.	
	(1) decision and 0–6 marks for comments on either side.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
3(a)	express an opinion (1) on true and fair view (1) of the financial statements of a limited company	2
3(b)	Accounting treatments	5
	1 Cost on training programme should be treated as expenses because it is held regularly (1)	
	it is difficult to establish a direct relationship between training programme and future benefits from efficiency; i.e. efficiency can be caused by other reasons such as advance in technology (1)	
	accrual concept is applied $-\frac{2}{6}$ of the total costs are expensed (1)	
	\$30 000 is regarded prepayment, i.e. \$70 000 is paid and only \$40 000 has been expensed. (1)	
	The inventory value needs to be reduced (1) to take into account the fact that the damaged items can only be sold at a p rice below their usual selling price. (1) This will affect the profit for the year (1) and the value of inventory in current assets. (1)	
	3 marks for each to a max of 5 marks	
3(c)	Profit for 2017 98 000 4000 (1) Less: Training expenses (\$70 000 + \$50 000) $\times \frac{2}{6}$ (1) (40 000) Less: Obsolete inventory \$12 000 - (\$12 000 \times 1.25 \times 50%) (1) (4 500) (1) Add: Licence fee \$60 000 $\times \frac{30}{36}$ (1) prepaid 50 000	8
	Revised profit 107 500 (1) OF	

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Question	Answer	Marks
3(d)(i)	\$	2
	Software license (\$60 000 $\times \frac{30}{36}$) (1) 50 000 (1)	
3(d)(ii)	Inventory (\$146 000 – \$4 500) 141 500 (1)	1
3(d)(iii)	Retained earnings (\$215 000 + \$107 500) 322 500 (1) OF	1
3(d)(iv)	Other payables (\$75 000 – \$50 000) 25 000 (1)	1
3(e)	Buying computer software:	5
	non-current assets increased as computer software is treated as non-current assets subject to depreciation throughout the estimated useful life of the software.	
	Profit will be reduced by depreciation.	
	more cash outlay as the computer software is acquired	
	computer software can be obsolete after three years	
	Acquiring the right to use a computer software for three years:	
	company does not pay for the outright purchase of the asset and therefore lesser cash outflow	
	profit will be reduced by amortisation over a period of 3 years.	
	more flexible due to advanced technology	
	Accept other valid points. (2 marks) for discussing buying the computer software and (2 marks) for discussing acquiring a right to use for three years. (1 mark) for decision.	

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)	club limited company operating as a service business	
	seeks to provide service to members seeks to make profit	
	has members has shareholders	
	retains any surplus to improve services to may distribute any profit to reward investors members	
	Accept other valid points.	
	Any two differences for (2) marks each. Must be a comparison.	
4(b)	Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 December 2017	
	\$ \$ \\ Income 26 300 (1) \\ Subscriptions 2 600 (1) \\ Profit on meals 28 900	
	Less expenditure Loss on trips W1 8 500 (1) Irrecoverable debts 250 (1) Depreciation 1 530 (1) Other running costs 18 300 (1) 28 580 Surplus W2 320 (1) OF	
	W1 Cost of trips \$1 000 × 2 × 12 = 24 000 Less: Income 620 × \$25 = 15 500 Loss on trips = 8 500	
	W2 18 100 + 200	

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(c)	Statement of Financial Position at 31 December 2017	10
	\$ \$ \$ \$ Non-current assets Premises 100 000 100 000 Fixtures and fittings 15 300 3 930 11 370 115 300 3 930 111 370	
	Current assets Inventory 250 (1) Subscriptions in arrears Bank W1 3200 (5) Total assets 115 420	
	Accumulated fund at 1 January 2017 Surplus for the year Accumulated fund at 31 December 2017 114 850 320 (1) OF	=
	Current liabilities Other payables Subscriptions in advance Total liabilities 200 (1) 50 (1) for liabilities	both subs

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Question	Answer	Marks
4(c)	Accept alternative presentation	
	W1 Calculation of bank balance	
	Opening balance \$ 4700 } Subscriptions received 25 800 } (1) Meals (21 500 – 18 900) 2 600 (1) Trips (15 500 – 24 000) (8 500) (1) Other running costs (18 100) (1) Fixtures and fittings (3 300) (1) Closing balance 3 200 }	
4(d)	Take up of places on each trips is already low (1) being $\frac{620}{1200}$ seats or little more than 50%. (1)	4
	An increase in price could further depress demand. (1) Analysis of ticket sales should be carried out (1) to establish which trip are most popular (1) in terms of time of year (1) o9r destinations. (1) Promotions such as a discount for booking on three trips or more could be offered. (1)	
	Accept other valid points. (1) for decision + Max 3 for comments at (1) mark each	

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Question	Answer	Marks
5(a)	Advantages:	5
	Compels management to plan for the future. (1) Aids coordination (1) and encourages communication (1). Promotes responsibility accounting. (1) May motivate employees. (1) Use of variances to appraise performance (1) with possible subsequent remedial action. (1)	
	Max 3	
	Disadvantages:	
	Not all staff may accept the budget. (1) Time consuming (1) Specialist staff required which may increase cost (1)	
	Max 2 Accept other valid points.	
5(b)	Sales 3 500 4 000 4 750 3 750 Closing inventory 400 (1) 450 (1) 375 (1) 425 (1) 3 900 4 450 5 125 4 175	6
	Opening inventory (350) (1) (400) (450) (375) Production 3 550 4 050 4 675 3 800 (1 for all)	

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Question			Answer				Marks
5(c)	Units Direct materials	Jan 3 550 3	Feb 4 050 3	Mar 4 675 3	3	(1) OF	6
	Closing Inventory	10 650 200 10 850	12 150 220 12 370	14 025 242 14 267	11 400 242 11 642	(1)	
	Opening Inventory Budgeted purchases (kilos) Cost (\$)	200 10 650 2	200 12 170 2	220 14 047 2	242 11 400 2	(1)	
5(d)	Budgeted purchases (\$) 21 300 24 340 28 094 22 800 (1) OF Closing inventory would now be $475 \times 10 = 4750 (1) Difference would be $$4750 - 4500 (1) = \$250 The holding cost would increase (1) by \$250 (1) OF					4	
5(e)	Advantages: The directors may receive a return on investment above market rate of the loan. Maybe able to convert loan to shares in the future.						4
	Disadvantages:						
	Risk of not receiving repayment. May not be sufficient funds to pay the directors market rate of interest on the loan.						
	Max. 2 for advantages + Max 2 for disadvantages Accept other valid points.						

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Question			Answer				Marks
6(a)(i)	Alpha Omega \$ \$						3
	Direct r	naterials	2 000 000	968 00			
	Direct I		480 000	48 00			
	Overhe		330 000	66 00	` '		
	I otal p	roduction costs	2810 000 (1)	1 082 00	<u>0</u> (1)		
6(a)(ii)	Cost per unit \$140.5 \$135.25	(1)					1
6(b)			\$	\$			2
	Cost per un	it	140.50	135.25			
	Add 50%		70.25		1) OF both		
	SP per unit		210.75	202.88 (1) OF both		
6(c)	It is not possible to attribute all costs to	activities. (1)					2
	It takes additional costs (1) as usually	specialist employees	s are required (1) or	extensive t	training may be	e required. (1)	
	It is expensive to develop, implement a	and maintain. (1)					
	2 × 1 mark for any two valid disadvant Accept other valid points.	ages					
6(d)	Total						4
		Overhead	Alpha		Omega		
		\$	\$		\$		
	Machine set-up	90 000	54 000		36 000	(4)	
	Materials handling	80 000	24 000		56 000	(1)	
	Machine maintenance Product inspection	46 000 180 000	26 000 120 000		20 000 60 000	(1)	
	Froduct inspection	396 000	224 000	(1) OF	172 000	(1) OF	
		330 000		(1) 01	172 000	(1) 01	

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Question		Answer			Marks	
Question		Allower			Walks	
6(e)		Alpha	Omega			
	Matariala	\$ 000,000	\$			
	Materials Labour	2 000 000 480 000	968 000 48 000			
	Overheads	224 000	172 000			
	Total cost	2 704 000		(1) both OF		
	Cost per unit	135.20	148.50	(1) both OF		
	Add 50%	67.60	74.25	()		
	SP per unit	202.80	222.75	(1) both OF		
6(f)	As ABC provides more realistic figures (1) the selling prices will reflect a more realistic figure based on costs. (1)					
	Using the old method Alpha showed a very high portion of overheads (1) and so its costs were too high (1) and a true figure is not reflected in the selling price (1)					
	Omega bears a disproportionately low amount of overheads (1) and so is underpriced (1)					
	Costs in the old method are set simply using only one basis. (1) The setting of the costs using ABC will enable the company to carefully investigate the basis (1) and will result in improved production methods as well as better pricing. (1)					
	3 x 2 marks each (1 mark for stating the reason and 1 mark for development)					
	Accept other valid points.					
6(g)(i)	Alpha profit $$135.20 \times 60\% = 81.12 \times 20000 = 1622400 (1) Omega profit $$148.50 \times 30\% = 44.55 \times 8000 = 356400 (1)					
6(g)(ii)	The actual total profit will rise from \$1 946 000 to \$1 978 800 an increase of \$32 800 (1) The price of Alpha will fall and Omega will rise bringing them both nearer to their previous price (1)					
	Fixes higher prices for the product which is higher in demand and needs specialist workforce (1) which is justified and lower price for Omega which does not need specialist workforce as the rate of labour is lower (1) Accept other valid points.					

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