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# A-level

## DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY: PRODUCT DESIGN

Paper 1 Technical Principles

Time allowed: 2 hours 30 minutes

### Materials

For this paper you must have:

- normal writing and drawing instruments
- a scientific calculator.

### Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen. Use pencil only for drawing.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided. Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.

### Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 120.

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Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

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State **three** reasons why Precious Metal Clay (PMC) may be used in the manufacture of a decorative pendant for a necklace.

**[3 marks]**

Reason 1 \_\_\_\_\_

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Reason 2 \_\_\_\_\_

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Reason 3 \_\_\_\_\_

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A purple component is to be produced using a pigmented resin.

Use the data to calculate the maximum number of these components that could be produced.

You may assume unlimited supplies of clear resin and magenta pigment.

**[4 marks]**

Cyan pigment available	10 ml
Single component volume	5965 mm <sup>3</sup>

	Clear Resin	Cyan Pigment	Magenta Pigment
Ratios for Purple Resin	80	4	1

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Answer \_\_\_\_\_ components

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**0 5 . 1** Table 1 shows a series of coordinates used by a laser cutter to produce a component.

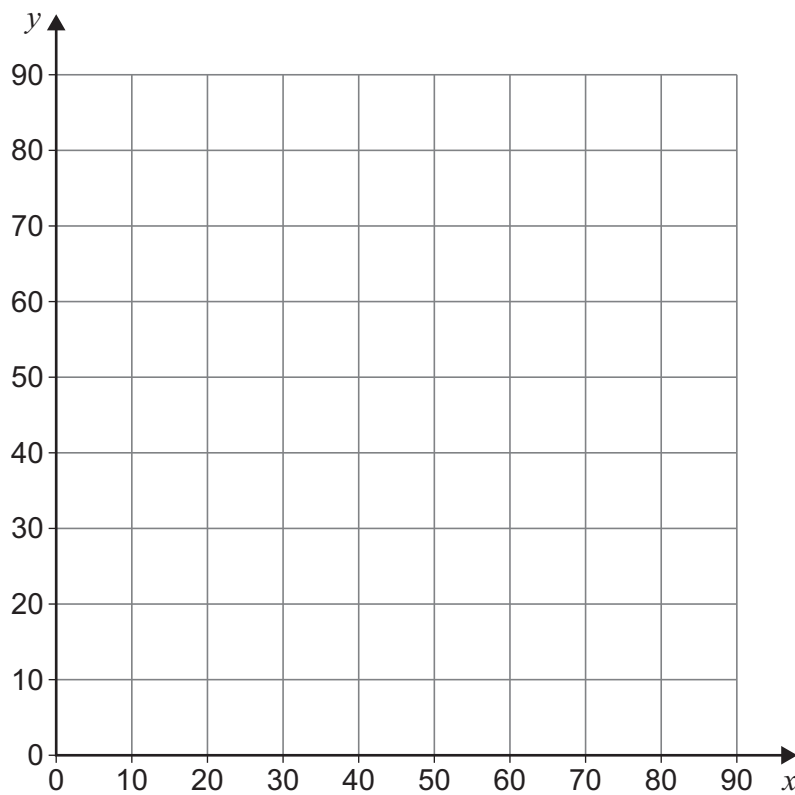
The external and internal cutting paths are shown.

**Table 1**

External Path	Internal Path
(10,10)	(30,20)
(70,10)	(60,20)
(70,80)	(60,70)
(30,80)	(40,70)
(10,10)	(30,20)

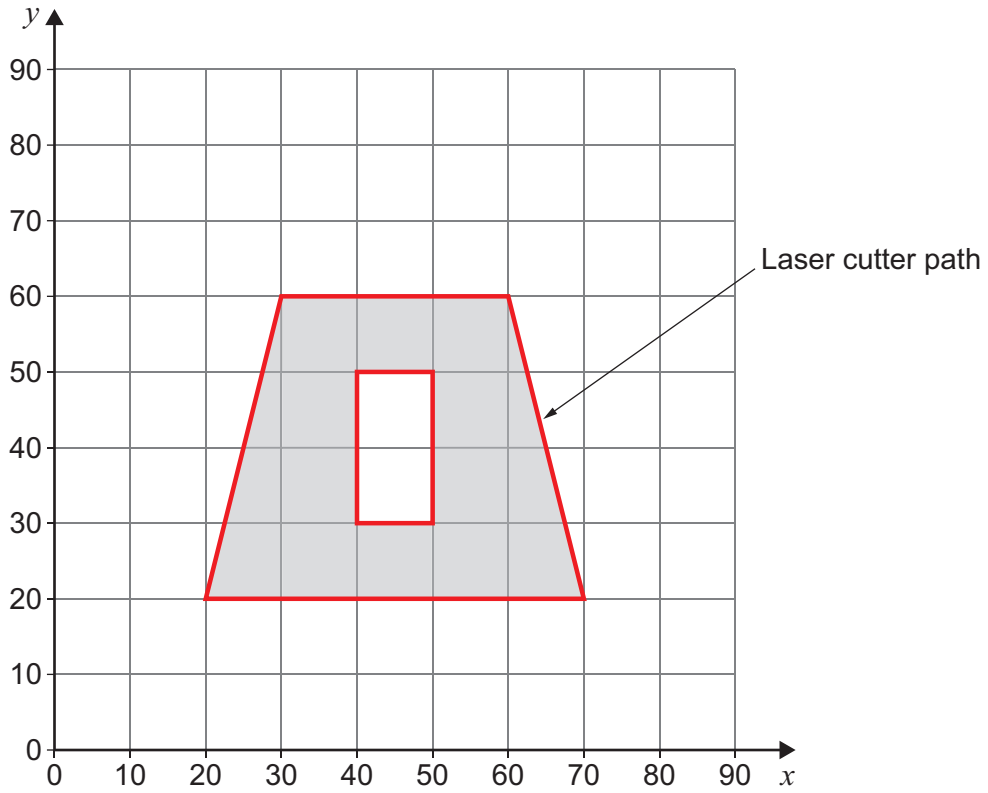
Plot the external and internal paths on the grid below.

**[1 mark]**



**0 5 . 2** Figure 2 shows the path of a laser cutter used to cut the shape below.

**Figure 2**



Grid spacing in mm

Calculate the shaded area.

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Total shaded area \_\_\_\_\_ mm<sup>2</sup>

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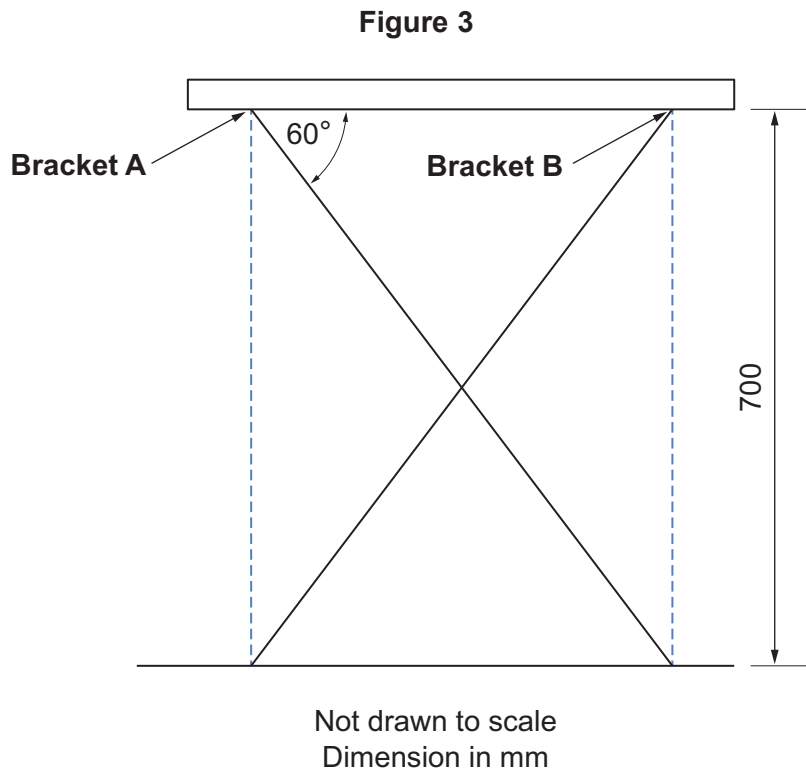
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**Figure 3** shows the current dimensions of a school desk.

If all existing components are used, calculate how much closer together **Bracket A** and **Bracket B** would be at a new desk height of 720 mm.

Assume that when fully extended the end of each leg is vertically in line with the bracket on the underside of the desk.

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Distance between **Bracket A** and **Bracket B** is closer by =

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Explain why galvanising is an appropriate finish for the low carbon steel scaffold shown in **Figure 4**.

**[6 marks]**

**Figure 4**




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State **three** different stimuli that can cause a change in the property of a smart material.

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Stimulus 2 \_\_\_\_\_

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Stimulus 3 \_\_\_\_\_

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Name a specific application for each of the following materials:

[3 marks]

Cellulose acetate \_\_\_\_\_

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Fluted polypropylene \_\_\_\_\_

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Styrofoam \_\_\_\_\_

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Styrofoam and high-density modelling foam are often used in modelling.

Compare and evaluate the suitability of each material for the manufacture of a block model that represents aesthetic appearance to a potential client.

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Explain why die casting is an appropriate manufacturing method for the model toy vehicle shown in **Figure 5**.

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**Figure 5**



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Describe the purpose of the following polymer additives:

- fillers
- plasticisers.

[2 x 2 marks]

Fillers \_\_\_\_\_  
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Plasticisers \_\_\_\_\_  
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Give **two** reasons why outdoor decking may be pressure treated before use.

[2 marks]

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A polymer extrusion process has been used to produce the rigid polyvinyl chloride (PVC) cable trunking shown in **Figure 6**.

Describe the main stages of the polymer extrusion process.

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**Figure 6**



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Describe the advantages to a manufacturer of using bought-in components.

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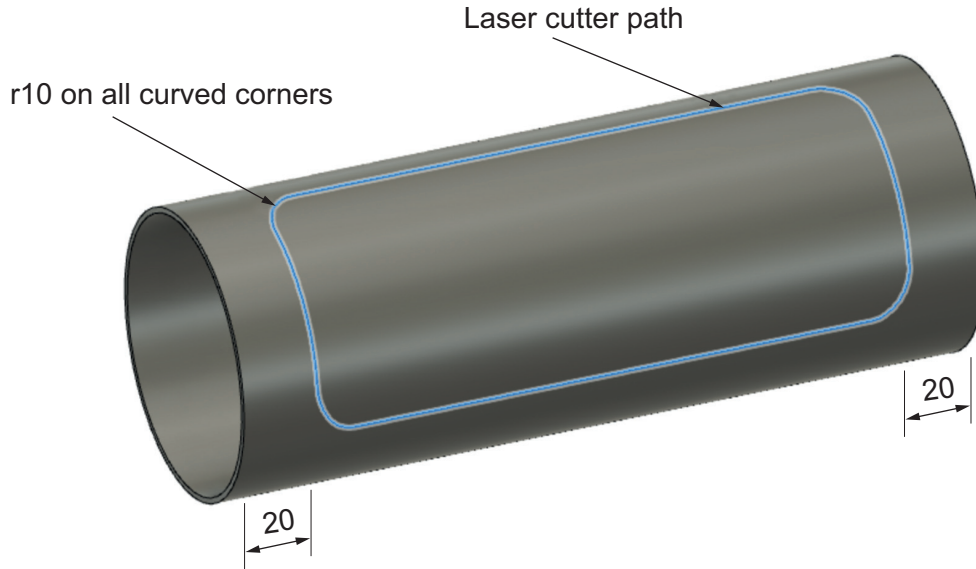


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Figure 7 shows an acrylic tube that will have a section cut out on a laser cutter.

The section to be removed is **one quarter** of the circumference of the tube.

Figure 7



All dimensions in mm

Length of Cylinder	200 mm
Diameter of Cylinder	75 mm
Cutting Speed	2200 mm per minute

Use the data provided to calculate the time taken to cut the path shown on the acrylic tube.

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**Figure 8** and **Figure 9** show two novelty moneyboxes, each with a slot for coins located at the top.

**Figure 8**



**Blow moulded, low density polyethylene (LDPE) moneybox**

**Figure 9**



**Injection moulded, polymethylmethacrylate (PMMA) moneybox**

Analyse and evaluate the suitability of the materials and manufacturing methods used for each of the moneyboxes shown.

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Describe and explain the stages that timber undergoes from felling through to the creation of the planed square edge (PSE) stock form.

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Describe **two** ways that a jig can be used to improve accuracy in manufacture.

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Justify why Finite Element Analysis (FEA) may be used to improve efficiency during product development.

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Explain why tungsten carbide is an appropriate material for the manufacture of a centre lathe cutting tool.

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