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Question	Answer	Mark
Number 1(a)	Any four of the following examples from: • Ease of language options (1) • Low cost (1) • Has a global reach/large audience (1) • Provides a quick/direct/targeted link to customers (1) • Multimedia/interactive/3d presentations clearly communicate products (1) • Increased company profile (1) • Faster processing of transactions/data (1) • Reduced sales force/retail outlets (1) • Links can be added to access other sites easily (1) • Updating/adapting info is quick/easy (1) • Available 24/7/anytime/anywhere (1) • Can monitor popularity/demand/trends for products (1) • On-line banking facilities (1) Any six of the following examples from: • Reduces the time to market/lead time) (1) • Keep up with/forecast - trends/fashions/demand/orders (1) • Reduces retooling costs (1)	(4)
	 Increased market share (1) Recoup money quickly/improve cash flow (1) Products/materials are only made/bought to order/need (1) Stock levels/stockpiling are constantly re-evaluated (JIT) (1) Storage costs reduced (1) Highly automated/ reduced labour (1) Reduced human error/waste (1) Allows customisation/flexibility/ adaptability (1) Repeat business/customer satisfaction/ confidence/ increase reputation (1) Do not give a mark for increases profit/ money. 	(6)
	Total for question	10

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2(a)	A maximum of TWO marks for each answer Plasticisers Improve the flow of plastics (1) Reduce the softening temperature of the plastics (1) Make the plastics less brittle/ more shock absorbent/ bendable/stretchable/flexible/elastic/malleable/ (1) Phthalates/particles separate polymer strands (1) Stabilisers make the plastics more resistant to ultra-violet light/ fade/yellow/become transparent when exposed for long periods (1) reduces the rate/stops, brittleness/degrading (1) make the plastics more resistant to heat (1) make the plastics more resistant to micro biological attack (1) make the plastics more resistant to micro biological attack (1) Reduce the amount of plastic necessary/bulk up/add volume/add density to plastics (1) cheaper/reduces the cost of the plastic (1) Add chalk/talc/milled glass (1)	(6)
2(b)	 Any four of the following examples from: Reduces carbon emissions/greenhouse gases/pollution/global warming (1) Reduces the amount going to incineration (1) Reduces the amount going to landfill sites/ disposal (1) Reduces the demand on raw/finite resources (1) Less energy used to recycle materials than process new materials (1) Reduction in scarring/destruction of landscape (1) Affect on deforestation/wildlife reduced (1) 	(4)
	Total for question	10

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Number 3(a)	Any five of the following examples from:	
3(a)	 Extremely accurate/reliable/reduced human error/less waste (1) Repetitive accuracy/repeatability (1) Give 'real-time' data/speed of inspection/checking of every/more/all components/100% (1) Data can be recorded and stored/database (1) 24/7 capabilities (1) Reduced maintenance (1) Reduced labour/pay is required (1) 3d inspection capabilities/ more complex products can be checked (1) Tool-less technology (lasers/ultra-sound) can be used (1) Increased H&S (1) Inspection can take place in hazardous/remote places (1) Feedback linked to CAD/FMS/reprogrammable/alteration to manufacture/fix errors (1) Increased flexibility/can be programmed (1) Do not give a mark for an unqualified 'cheaper' 	
3(b)	Any five of the following examples from:	(5)
3(b)	 High set-up costs (1) Highly skilled (cost implication) technicians required (1) Training/retraining implications (1) Redundancies (1) Do not have full range of human sensors/senses/range of movement/degrees of freedom (1) Robots have limited ability to learn/think or make decisions, therefore will make mistakes repeatedly (1) Maintenance is relatively expensive/frequent (1) Breakdowns can affect production line (1) Low worker morale/deskilled workers (1) No standard for robot 'language' so there are compatibility issues (1) Complexity of procedures has direct effect on speed of operation (1) Costs/health and safety of restricting access to humans with fences/walls (1) 	(5)
	Total for question	(5) 10
	Total for question	

Question	Answer	Mark
Number 4(a)	Any of the following examples from:	
Y(u)	 Shape prevents rolling (1) Left/Right handed (1) Textured/ smooth (1) Balance (1) Grip/ hold/ grasp (1) Colour (1) Anthropometrics/Size of hand/shape of hand/fit the hand/5th to 95th percentile/90% of people/most users(1) Comfort (1) Weight (1) 	
	(4x1)	(4)
4(b)	Any mention of the following features:	
	 Seat height (length of leg) (1) Seat depth/length (1) Seat width (1) Arm height/relationship of seat to arms (1) Arm length (1) Arm width (1) Angle of backrest – adjustable (1) Width of backrest (1) Height of backrest (1) Comfort (1) Predominantly straight lines except where body requirements define need for curves (1) Minimum number of slats used in the back (1) 	(4)
	(4 x 1) Total for question	8

Question Number	Answer	Mark
5(a)	 Any four of the following examples from: Products will become outdated (1) Increased/continued, sales/profit/money (1) Customers will want/ replace/need to buy the latest product/upgrade (1) A predetermined lifespan/broken product (1) Manufacturers can plan/control, change/improve/release designs more effectively/often (1) Less money is tied up in stock (1) Fewer spares need to be stocked (1) Fewer repairs need doing (1) Cheaper parts/ materials can be used (1) Warranties can be given with confidence (1) 	
5(b)	Any two of the following examples from: Manufacturer must make new/latest/best, products/designs available/keep ahead of competition (1) Allows the consumer to keep up to date/in fashion/follow trends/be cool, have latest/newest technology (1) Companies are in greater competition to deliver new products (1) Consumers have a wider choice (1) Designs can become more innovative (1) As products are upgraded the second-hand market thrives (1)	(2)

5(c)	A maximum of 2 marks per answer (e.g. 3 x 2) Suitable examples e.g.:	
	 Shape memory alloy (SMA) Nitinol (1) Plating of broken bones/Teeth braces/Kinetic clothing/window openers (1) change in response to heat/ electrical stimulus (1) Shape memory alloy (SMA)/memoflex (1) Glasses frames (1) return to original shape after being deformed/ are flexible(1) Thermochromic materials (1) Cup/kettle/spoon/sensors/thermometers (1) change colour according to temperature (1) Photochromic materials (1) visors/rear view mirrors (1) change colour according to UV light (1) Reactive glass (Silver Halide) (1) Glasses (1) Turn dark in response to UV light (1) Smart glass (1) Windows (opacity/darkness)/welding masks (1) Turns dark in response to an electric input (1) Smart fluid/grease/oil (1) Car suspension (1) Become more viscous in response to an electrical/ magnetic input (1) OTCs (1) Power tools/torches/robots/clothing (1) Electrical resistance reduced by pressure (1) Electro luminescent lighting (1) computer display/dashboards (1) emits light from an electric input (1) Solar panels/photovoltaic cells (1) for electricity generation (1) Converts light to electricity (1) Memory foam (1) Mattresses/ seats (1) Form body shape from pressure (1) LCD/ nematic (1) screens (1) Change shade/colour in response to an electric input (1) Piezo-electric actuators (1) strain gauges/buzzer/guitar pick-up (1) pressure results in current/current results in pressure (1) 	
	Do not award marks for examples using the lamp as it is in the question (3 x 2) Total for question	(6)
	Total for question	14

Question	Answer	Mark
Number 6(a)	Any of the following examples from:	
o(a)	 Reduce the product – size/weight (1) Reduce the packaging – size/weight/stackable product/packaging/multi-pack/flatpack (1) Proximity to raw materials (1) Proximity to work force (1) Proximity to customers (1) Alternative/greener/electric/Bio fuels/more efficient fuels/engines used for transport (1) Driving more carefully/efficiently (1) Speed limiters on vehicles (1) More streamlined vehicles (1) Different forms of transport (rail/water) (1) Upscale/larger/trucks/transport/more transported in one load (1) Planning journeys to avoid being stuck in traffic/use shortest/most efficient route/ full both ways/ fewer journeys (1) Do not award a mark for 'uses less fuel'. 	
6(b)	Any of the following examples from:	(5)
	 Advantages They produce quite a lot of power/amounts of electricity easily/quickly/efficiently (1) Currently relatively cheap/low cost (1) Reliable source of energy/available when needed/demand is high (1) We already have the power stations/infrastructure in place/low set up cost (1) Power stations can be built 'anywhere' as they are not reliant on wind/water/etc (1) Relatively small space required compared to wind farms for example (1) Disadvantages	
	 Emissions/global warming/greenhouse gases/Acid rain (1) Transport – heavy material/long distances (1) Cost of extraction (1) Environmental impact of extraction (1) International tensions over supply/cost (1) Finite resource (1) Finite nature will push up the cost (1) Large amount of ash produced needs disposal (1) Award a maximum of 6 marks if only advantages or disadvantages are given. (7 x 1) 	(7)
	Total for question	12

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