General Certificate of Education January 2007 Advanced Level Examination



TT09

TRAVEL AND TOURISM Unit 9 Travel and Tourism – People and Quality

To be conducted between 8 January 2007 and 19 January 2007

For this paper you must have:

- four 8-page lined answer books, one for each task
- your preparatory folder.

You may also use graph or plain paper to support your answers if you wish.

You may use a calculator.

Time allowed: 4 sessions of 1½ hours each

PREPARATORY FOLDERS MUST BE HANDED IN BY FRIDAY 5 JANUARY 2007

FOR RELEASE TO CANDIDATES FROM 8 JANUARY 2007

Instructions

- Do **not** write anything on this paper. It must be brought into each examination session 'clean'.
- Use blue or black ink or ball-point pen. Pencil, including colours, should only be used for drawing.
- Write the information required on the front of your answer books. The *Examining Body* for this paper is AQA. The *Paper Reference* is TT09.
- No materials from your preparatory folder are to be stuck into your answer books.
- Attempt all assignment tasks.
- Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- If you need extra paper, use additional answer sheets.

Information

- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.
- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- Your preparatory folder will be returned to you at the start, and collected in at the end, of each examination session.
- You will be marked on your ability to use an appropriate form and style of writing, to organise relevant information clearly and coherently, and to use specialist vocabulary where appropriate. The legibility of your handwriting and the accuracy of your spelling, punctuation and grammar will also be considered.

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INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDANCE FOR TEACHERS AND CANDIDATES TAKING EXTERNALLY ASSESSED ASSIGNMENTS

The externally assessed assignment

The assignment must be taken during the two-week assignment period. It may be taken as one 6 hour session or in up to four $1\frac{1}{2}$ hour sessions. Each session must be a multiple of $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

Preparing for the assignment

Candidates will sit the assignment under examination conditions. The preparatory folder, which must contain only notes written by the candidate and material collected from the organisations studied, must be collected by the teacher **before** the two-week assignment period begins. The folder will be given out at the beginning of each controlled conditions session and be collected in with the scripts at the end of each session and kept securely by the teacher between sessions. Nothing may be added to the folder during the two-week assignment period and no other material may be taken into the examination session(s).

Writing the assignment under controlled conditions

The assignment consists of four tasks, each designed to be completed in $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours. Each task is to be written in a new answer book. At the end of each $1\frac{1}{2}$ hour session, the answer book containing one completed task will be collected and kept securely by the teacher until the end of the final session. No alterations or additions may be made to candidates' answers to each task once the session has ended.

At the end of the final (fourth) session, the four answer books for each candidate must be fastened together and sent to the designated examiner.

Controlled conditions sessions may be in any multiple of 1½ hours and must be completed within the two-week assignment period. Examples of some acceptable time allocations are shown below:

1	2	3	4	One 6 hour session
1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	
1	2	3	4	Two 3 hour sessions
1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	
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1	2	3	4	Four 1½ hour sessions
1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	
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1	2	3	4	One 4½ hour and one 1½ hour session
1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	1½ hours	

or any other combination of four sessions in 1½ hour multiples.

Presentation of the assignment

- Keep strictly to the set tasks.
- You are advised that the completed assignment should be contained within a range of sixteen to twenty-four sides of written A4.

Attempt all assignment tasks.

Complete Assignment Task 1 during session 1.

THE ASSIGNMENT

Assignment Task 1: Customer feedback

For this task, your answer must relate to any **one** of the travel and tourism organisations that you have studied. Clearly indicate the name of the organisation at the start of your answer.

- (a) Describe how your chosen organisation collects customer feedback to monitor its customer service. (5 marks)
- (b) Evaluate the effectiveness of **one** method currently used by your chosen organisation to collect customer feedback. (8 marks)
- (c) Describe how your chosen organisation uses customer feedback to make improvements to its products or services. (7 marks)

End of Assignment Task 1

Complete Assignment Task 2 during session 2.

Assignment Task 2: Managing complaints

For this task, your answer must relate to any **one** of the travel and tourism organisations that you have studied. Clearly indicate the name of the organisation at the start of your answer.

- (a) Identify the most common causes of customer complaint that your chosen organisation receives. (5 marks)
- (b) Explain the procedures in place within your chosen organisation to handle these complaints. (7 marks)
- (c) Explain how the values and attitudes of the employees may affect the handling of customer complaints. (8 marks)

End of Assignment Task 2

Complete Assignment Task 3 during session 3.

Assignment Task 3: Health and safety and the law

For this task, your answer must relate to any **one** of the travel and tourism organisations that you have studied. Clearly indicate the name of the organisation at the start of your answer.

- (a) Discuss the implications of the Health and Safety at Work Act (1974) for the managers of your chosen organisation. (10 marks)
- (b) Analyse the implications of **either** the Disability Discrimination Act (1995) **or** the Data Protection Act (1998) for the managers of your chosen organisation. (10 marks)

End of Assignment Task 3

Complete Assignment Task 4 during session 4.

Assignment Task 4: Management and motivation of teams

For this task, your answer must relate to any **one** of the travel and tourism organisations that you have studied. Clearly indicate the name of the organisation at the start of your answer.

- (a) Describe the extent to which a positive physical working environment is used in your chosen organisation to motivate staff. (8 marks)
- (b) Analyse other approaches and techniques of staff motivation which are, or could be, used in your chosen organisation. (12 marks)

End of Assignment Task 4

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