
Answers

Section A

1 C

2 B

3 B

High-low method:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Variable production costs per unit} &= \frac{\pounds 254,554 - 230,485}{14,870 - 12,610 \text{ units}} = \frac{\pounds 24,069}{2,260 \text{ units}} \\ &= \underline{\pounds 10.65} \text{ per unit} \end{aligned}$$

4 A

5 D

6 C

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Average stock} &= 1,200 + (2,000 \div 2) = 2,200 \text{ kg} \\ &\quad \times \pounds 1.20 \text{ per kg} = \underline{\pounds 2,640} \text{ annual stockholding cost} \end{aligned}$$

7 B

Wages of distribution staff and sales personnel salaries are not production costs. Productive time of direct operatives is a direct cost.

8 B

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Time allowed} &= 1,065 \text{ units} \times (2.4 \div 60) = 42.6 \text{ hours} \\ \text{Bonus} &= (42.6 - 37.5 \text{ hours}) \times (\pounds 8.50 \div 3) = \pounds 14.45 \\ \text{Basic pay} &= 37.5 \text{ hours at } \pounds 8.50 = \pounds 318.75 \\ \text{Total earnings} &= \underline{\pounds 333.20} (\pounds 318.75 + 14.45) \end{aligned}$$

9 C

10 D

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Absorbed} - \text{actual} &= \text{over/(under) absorbed} \\ \pounds 125,200 - 126,740 &= \underline{\pounds 1,540} \text{ under-absorbed} \end{aligned}$$

11 D

12 B

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Decrease in stock} &= 33,300 - 33,950 \text{ units} = 650 \text{ units} \\ &\quad \times \pounds 27.90 \text{ per unit} = \underline{\pounds 18,135} \text{ change in finished goods stock value} \end{aligned}$$

13 A

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Increase in stock} &= 97,000 - 96,000 \text{ units} = 1,000 \text{ units} \\ &\quad \times \pounds 1.40 \text{ per unit} = \underline{\pounds 1,400} \text{ less profit using marginal costing} \end{aligned}$$

14 B

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Actual loss} &= 16\% (20 - 4) \\ \text{Material input} &= 6,500 \text{ kg} \div (1 - 0.16) \\ &= \underline{7,738 \text{ kg}}\end{aligned}$$

15 D

16 D

Sales value of putput:

Product A 2,000 kg at £12 =	£24,000
Product B 4,000 kg at £18 =	£72,000
	<u>£96,000</u>

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Share of joint process cost - Product B} &= £30,000 \times (72,000 \div 96,000) \\ &= \underline{£22,500}\end{aligned}$$

17 B

18 B

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Break-even (units)} &= \text{Fixed cost} \div \text{contribution per unit} \\ 24,600 &= 123,000 \div \text{contribution per unit} \\ \text{Contribution per unit} &= £123,000 \div 24,600 \text{ units} \\ &= \underline{£5.00 \text{ per unit}}\end{aligned}$$

19 C

The consequence of using Material X in the special order is that more of the material will have to be bought, than would otherwise be the case, for its normal business.

20 B

Section B

1 (a) Re-order level:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Re-order level} &= \text{safety stock} + (\text{average usage} \times \text{lead time}) \\ &= 500 \text{ kg} + (400 \text{ kg} \times 2 \text{ weeks}) \\ &= \underline{1,300 \text{ kg}} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Cost of issues (using weighted average):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Opening balance} &= \text{£}12.00 \text{ per kg } (\text{£}10,800 \div 900 \text{ kg}) \\ \text{Cost of issue on Day 3, Week 1} &= \text{£}4,800 (400 \times \text{£}12.00) \\ \text{New weighted average after receipt on Day 5, Week 1} \\ &= \text{£}12.40 \text{ per kg } [(500 \text{ kg} \times \text{£}12.00) + \text{£}12,600] \div [(900 \text{ kg} - 400 \text{ kg}) + 1,000 \text{ kg}] \\ \text{Cost of issues on Day 2 \& Day 4, Week 2 and Day 3 Week 3} \\ &= \text{£}9,920 [(260 + 170 + 370) \times \text{£}12.40] \\ \text{Total cost of four issues} &= \underline{\text{£}14,720} (4,800 + 9,920) \end{aligned}$$

or using a tabular format:

Time	Receipts		Issues			Balance		
	kg	£	kg	£/kg	£	kg	£/kg	£
Balance b/f						900	12.00	10,800
Week 1:								
Day 3			400	12.00	4,800	500	12.00	6,000
Day 5	1,000	12,600				1,500	12.40	18,600
Week 2:								
Day 2			260	12.40	3,224	1,240	12.40	15,376
Day 4			170	12.40	2,108	1,070	12.40	13,268
Week 3:								
Day 3			370	12.40	4,588	700	12.40	8,680
					<u>14,720</u>			

(c) Cost of closing stock (using LIFO):

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Closing stock} &= [(900 + 1,000) - (400 + 260 + 170 + 370)] = 700 \text{ kg} \\ 500 \text{ kg remaining of opening balance} &\times \text{£}12.00/\text{kg} = \text{£}6,000 \\ + 200 \text{ kg remaining of receipt (Day 5, Week 1)} &\times (\text{£}12,600 \div 1,000 \text{ kg}) = \text{£}2,520 \\ \text{Total} &= \underline{\text{£}8,520} \end{aligned}$$

2 (a) & (b) Overhead re-apportionment and absorption:

	Production Cost Centre			Service Cost Centre		Total
	A	B	C	X	Y	
Allocated & apportioned (£)	47,566	84,331	43,031	8,435	11,880	195,243
Re-apportioned:						
Service cost centre Y	2,970	4,455	2,970	1,485	(11,880)	
Service cost centre X	1,984	4,464	3,472	(9,920)		
	<u>£52,520</u>	<u>£93,250</u>	<u>£49,473</u>			<u>£195,243</u>
Absorption rates:						
÷ direct labour hours	5,200	7,460	4,780			
= rate per hour	<u>£10.10</u>	<u>£12.50</u>	<u>£10.35</u>			

(c) Job 57 – total production cost:

	£	£
Direct material		1,678.0
Direct labour	(288 + 425 + 304)	1,017.0
Overhead:		
Production cost centre A	(36 hrs at £10.10)	363.6
Production cost centre B	(50 hrs at £12.50)	625.0
Production cost centre C	(32 hrs at £10.35)	331.2
		<u>1,319.8</u>
Total		<u>£4,014.8</u>

- 3 (a) (i)** Job costing:
 Job costing may be applied, for example, by a builder or by a repair and maintenance business.
 Job costing is a form of specific order costing which is applied where work is undertaken to customer's specific requirements and where the work is of comparatively short duration. Each job is a separate cost unit.
- (ii)** Process costing:
 Process costing may be applied, for example, in chemical manufacture or in oil refining.
 Process costing is applied where homogeneous goods or services result from a sequence of continuous operations. The cost unit will be a unit of the product/service and unit costs will be averaged over a period from cumulative costs and output.

(b) Process 2 costs:

(i) Production cost per equivalent unit:

	Process 1 costs	Materials added	Conversion costs	
Equivalent units:				
Transfers to finished goods (units)	1,950	1,950	1,950	
+ Closing work-in-progress (equiv units)	210	168	84	
	<u>2,160</u>	<u>2,118</u>	<u>2,034</u>	
Costs	£22,032	£5,295	£8,136	
Cost per equivalent unit	<u>£10.20</u>	+ <u>£2.50</u>	+ <u>£4.00</u>	= <u>£16.70</u>

(ii) Transfer to finished goods:

1,950 units at £16.70 = £32,565

(iii) Closing work-in-progress:

		£
Process 1 costs	210 units at £10.20	= 2,142
Materials added	168 equiv units at £2.50	= 420
Conversion costs	84 equiv units at £4.00	= 336
		<u>£2,898</u>

Tutorial Note:

Total costs £35,463 (22,032 + 5,295 + 8,136) = Finished goods £32,565 + WIP £2,898

4 (a) NPV – Project 1:

Present value of a perpetuity = annual cash flow ÷ cost of capital expressed as a decimal

Thus, present value of a net cash inflow perpetuity of £13,500 per annum at a cost of capital of 10% per annum = £13,500 ÷ 0.1 = £135,000

NPV = £135,000 – £119,000
 = £16,000

(b) IRR – Project 2:

Net present value at 14%:

Year	Cash flow (£000)	Discount factor	Net present value (£000)
0	(241)	1.000	(241.0)
1	60	0.877	52.6
2	65	0.769	50.0
3	70	0.675	47.3
4	100	0.592	59.2
5	85	0.519	44.1
			<u>12.2</u>

$$\text{Internal rate of return (IRR)} = 14\% + \left[(20\% - 14\%) \times \left(\frac{12.2}{12.2 + 23.0} \right) \right]$$

$$= \underline{16\%}$$

(Alternatively the NPV at 10% could have been calculated and used.)

(c) Annual net cash flow – Project 3:

Investment sum ÷ cumulative discount factor over five years at 14%
= £186,000 ÷ 3.432 = £54,195 net cash inflow per annum.

(d) If the cost of capital increased to 15% Project 2 would still be justified as the IRR is 16% (i.e. IRR > cost of capital). Project 3, with an IRR of 14%, would not be justified (i.e. IRR < cost of capital).

Section A

1 – 20 2 marks per question

		Marks	
1	(a) safety stock	1	
	average usage x average lead time	1	
	re-order level	1	3
		—	
(b)	weighted av prices – opening balance	1/2	
	after receipt	2	
	application – opening balance	1/2	
	after receipt	2	5
		—	
(c)	500 kg	2	
	200 kg	2	4
		—	12
		—	
2	(a) service cost centre Y	3	
	service cost centre X	2	
	totals	2	7
		—	
(b)	absorption rates (1 for each)		3
(c)	direct costs	1	
	overheads	2	
	total	1	4
		—	14
		—	
3	(a) (i) Example 1; features 3		4
	(ii) Example 1; features 3		4
(b) (i)	units transferred	1 1/2	
	closing WIP	2 1/2	
	cost per unit	2	6
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(ii)	transfer value		2
(iii)	closing WIP value:		
	process 1	1/2	
	material added	1	
	conversion costs	1	
	total	1/2	3
		—	19
		—	
4	(a) perpetuity	2	
	NPV	1	3
		—	
(b)	NPV at 10%/14%	2	
	IRR	4	6
		—	
(c)	net cash inflow		3
(d)	Project 2	1 1/2	
	Project 3	1 1/2	3
		—	15
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