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## Business, Administration and Finance BA203 Personal Finance and Financial Services

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## General marking guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
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| 1 | B | (1) |
| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| 2 | D | (1) |
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| 3 | B | (1) |
| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| 4 | C | (1) |
| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| 5 | A | (1) |
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| 6 | A | (1) |
| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| 7 | B | (1) |
| Question Number | Answer | Mark |
| 8 | Bank loan - J enny <br> Overdraft - Kenzo <br> Savings account - Dani | (3) |



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| $\mathbf{9}$ (a)(ii) | $£ 1780.72$ <br> Own Figure Rule (does not apply where no Total Income <br> is shown). | (1) |


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| $\mathbf{9}$ (b)(i) | Marks and Spencer 2094.00 Australian Dollars <br> (AUD) (1) |  |


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| 9 (b)(ii) | Marks and Spencer <br> Own Figure Rule applies. <br> Calculations must be completed in 9(b)(i). | (1) |


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| 10 | - Internet Loan - lowest interest rate (1), lowest overall total repaid (1), joint shortest pay back period (1), smallest monthly payment of two 12 month pay back (1), may not be able to afford the level of monthly payment (1). <br> - Bank Loan 2 - lowest monthly repayment (1), can spread it over 24 months (1), but may not want to pay over such a long period (1), second highest total repayment (1), interest rate higher than Internet Loan, but lower than Bank Loan 1 (1), more trusted than the internet (1) | (5) |


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| $\mathbf{1 1 ( a )}$ | 1 mark for each correct calculation on Dylan’s pay slip |  |
|  | Basic Pay $£ 104.00$ (1) |  |
|  | Overtime $£ 78.00$ (1) |  |
|  | Gross pay $£ 182.00$ (1) |  |
|  | Net Pay $£ 157.77-1$ mark for each correct deduction (2) |  |
|  | Own Figure Rule applies to Gross and Net Pay. | (5) |


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| $\mathbf{1 1 ( b ) ( i ) ~}$ | Instant access (1) easy to get money using either <br> chequebook or debit card (1), Set up direct debits (1), <br> Set up standing orders (1), Arrange overdraft (1) | (2) |


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| $\mathbf{1 1 ( b ) ( i i ) ~}$ | Pays interest (1) savings grow quicker than in a current <br> account (1) | (2) |


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| $\mathbf{1 1 ( c )}$ | Interest rates can go up or down (1) meaning you can <br> earn less money (1) if the interest rate falls below that <br> of a fixed rate account (1). Interest rates can rise <br> increasing the reward (1). Involves greater risk (1). <br> The fixed rate gives a guaranteed reward (1) enabling <br> planning for the future (1). Means less risky (1), No <br> guaranteed reward (1), Government secures savings <br> under 50k (1) |  |


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| $\mathbf{1 2}$ (a) | - Up to 6 weeks to pay (1) |  |
|  | - Can cancel if stolen (1) |  |
|  | - Can cancel payment if something goes wrong (1) |  |
|  | - Can spread payments over a number of months |  |
|  | - Flexible payments (1) |  |
|  | - Keep your cash or savings intact (1) |  |
|  | - No need to defer purchases (1) |  |
|  | - Some credit cards give 0\%for set time period (1) |  |
|  | - Supports your credit rating (1) | (4) |


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| $\mathbf{1 2}$ (b) | Bank Manager - has expert knowledge (1), gives free <br> advice (1), can resolve issue by offering loan to <br> consolidate debt (1), will only offer tied products (1) |  |
|  | Debt Counsellor - specialist knowledge of debt <br> management (1), have to pay for the service (1), can <br> arrange a consolidated loan/ IVA (1), can offer a wide <br> range of solutions/ options (1), May be linked to certain <br> products and/ or finance companies (1) |  |
| Citizen's Advice Bureau - free advice (1), lengthy <br> waiting list for appointment (1), may not have <br> specialist knowledge (1), can't offer products for <br> resolution (1), able to suggest a wide range of products <br> (1), non biased (1), Detailed essential budgeting advice <br> (1) | (6) |  |

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