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APPLIED BUSINESS

JNIT 2: Business	Finance and	Decision	Making
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A.M. MONDAY, 2 June 2014

1 hour 15 minutes plus your additional time allowance

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Other Names	
Centre Number	
Candidate Number 0	

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Question Maximum Mark Mark Awarded			
1.	35		
2.	36		
3.	29		
Total	100		

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

In addition to this examination paper you will need a calculator.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Use black ink, black ball-point pen or your usual method.

Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the front cover.

Answer ALL the questions.

Write your answers to all the questions in the spaces provided in this question-and-answer booklet.

If you run out of space, use the continuation pages at the back of the booklet, taking care to number the question(s) clearly.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

The mark allocation for each part of a question is shown in brackets.

Quality of written communication is assessed in Question 2(g).

Answer ALL the questions in the spaces provided.

1. Study the information below and then answer the questions that follow.

THE INK SPOT is a stationery business, selling pens and paper to the general public and to local businesses. It is located in a prominent position on the High Street in order to attract customers. Its supplier is the wholesaler lnk lnc. which provides THE INK SPOT with all its stock requirements.

1(a) THE INK SPOT places the following order for supplies with lnk lnc.

THE INK SPOT Tel: (0970) 478962

Friary Way Fax: (0970) 478965

Aberystwyth

SY23 3AQ

PURCHASE ORDER

To:

Order No: 6892

Ink Inc.

Oak Square Estate Date: 03.05.2014

Carmarthen SA31 0FJ

Quantity	Description	Item Ref:	Unit Price (£)
25 boxes	A5 writing pads	WPA5	20.00
8 boxes	Black ballpoint pens	BBP66	5.00

Authorised: S.K. Thomas Delivery: Next day

VAT Registration Number: 38489720

Ink Inc.
Oak Square Estate
Carmarthen
SA31 0FJ

Tel: (0267) 215931

Fax: (0267) 215933

SALES INVOICE NO. 07452

10.	1
	Order No:
	Date:

Quantity	Description	Item Ref:	Unit Price (£)	Total Price (£)
25	A5 writing pads	WPA5	20.00	500.00
8	Black ballpoint pens	BBP66		
		G	oods Total	
		LESS 15%	6 Discount	
			Sub-Total	
		V	/AT @ 20%	
		Т	otal to Pay	

Delivery: Immediate Authorised by: S.K. Thomas

E&OE

VAT Registration Number: 78654320

1.	on page 5, complete the Sales Invoice opposite filling in all the shaded areas. [10]				
(b)	The a	The abbreviation VAT is to be seen on Invoices.			
	(i)	Write out what the abbreviation VAT stands for in full. [1]			
	(ii)	Explain the purpose of VAT. [2]			

1(c)	When the supplies are received by THE INK SPOT from lnk lnc., a document is presented with the goods.			
	(i)	Name this document. [1]		
	(ii)	Explain what this document shows and why it should be signed. [2]		

1(d)	Ink Inc. sends THE INK SPOT both Invoices and Statements of Account.				
	Explain the different purpose of these two documents. [4]				

Ink Inc. Tel: (0267) 215931

Oak Square Estate Fax: (0267) 215933

Carmarthen SA31 0FJ

Date: 31 May 2014

STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

To:

THE INK SPOT Friary Way Aberystwyth SY23 3AQ

Date	Details	Ref No.	Sales £	Payments/ Credit Notes £	Balance £
4 May	Sales Invoice	07452	550.80		550.80
11 May	Sales Invoice	08396	731.00		1 281.80
16 May	Credit Note	CR 741	89.00		1370.80
24 May	Sales Invoice	08755	322.00		1692.80
30 May	Cheque	6541732		839.60	853.20
31 May					853.20

1(e)	The Statement of Account opposite was received by THE INK SPOT from Ink Inc. at the end of May 2014.				
	Ident	There is an error on the Statement of Account. Identify the error and state the corrected balance as at 31 May 2014.			
	(i)	Error: [1]			
	(ii)	Corrected Balance as at 31 May 2014: [1]			
	(iii)	Explain ONE consequence of this error. [2]			

1(f)	A Remittance Advice Slip is normally sent by THE INK SPOT with its payment to Ink Inc. Explain why this document is used. [1]
(g)	Ink Inc. accepts payment by cheque, cash or debit card. Consider an advantage AND a disadvantage to Ink Inc. of EACH of these methods of payment. [6]

1(h)	Ink Inc. is considering installing a computerised ACCOUNTING SYSTEM to assist in its completion and management of documents used in the buying and selling of goods and services. Explain TWO advantages to lnk Inc. of installing this type of system. [4]

2. Study the information below and then answer the questions that follow.

ULTIMATE ALLOYS was set up five years ago by a group of friends. It supplies specialist car parts to cash customers visiting the shop or on the internet and to local garages on a monthly credit basis.

The business has grown considerably since its start and the partners are now thinking of asking others to put money into the business so that they can expand. However, before they do this they must have completed financial statements and ratios for the past two years to show potential investors.

2(a) Income and costs for the years ending 31 March 2013 and 31 March 2014 are detailed below.

Using these figures, complete the shaded areas in ULTIMATE ALLOYS' Trading Profit and Loss Accounts (opposite) for years ending 31 March 2013 and 31 March 2014. [6]

Item	2013 £	2014 £
Cash Sales	90 000	105 000
Credit Sales	40 000	45 000
Stock Purchases/Costs of Sales	50 000	60 000
Wages	40 000	42 000
Insurance	5 500	5700
Rent and Rates	4500	4700
Advertising	1800	2000
Electricity	1 500	1900

ULTIMATE ALLOYS Trading Profit and Loss Account for the Years Ending 31 March 2013 and 31 March 2014

Item	2013 £		2014 £	
Total Sales		130 000		
		50 000		60 000
		80 000		90000
LESS Expenses				
Rent and Rates	4500		4700	
Wages	40 000		42 000	
Insurance	5 500		5700	
Electricity	1 500		1900	
Advertising	1800		2000	
Total Expenses		53300		56300

2(b)	As part of its expansion strategy ULTIMATE ALLOYS is considering installing a computerised SPREADSHEET PROGRAM to assist in the construction of the Trading Profit and Loss Account. Discuss the drawbacks of such a system to the business. [4]			

Ratio	2013	2014
Gross Profit Percentage = Gross Profit x 100 Sales	61.54%	
Net Profit Percentage = Net Profit x 100 Sales		22.47%

- 2(c) ULTIMATE ALLOYS will need to use Accounting Ratios to interpret its Trading Profit and Loss Accounts. Using the information from the Trading Profit and Loss Accounts you have completed and the given formulae, calculate the missing Gross Profit Percentage and Net Profit Percentage Ratios to two decimal places and fill in the shaded boxes in the table opposite. (You are advised to show your workings.) [4]
- (d) (i) Name ONE stakeholder who would be interested in the information gained from the Gross Profit Percentage. [1]

(ii) Name a different stakeholder who would be interested in the information gained from the Net Profit Percentage. [1]

ULTIMATE ALLOYS Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2013 and 31 March 2014

Balance Sheet as at 31 March 2013 and 31 March 2014				
Item	2013 £		2014 £	
Fixed Assets				
Fixtures and Fittings		36700		30 200
<u>Current Assets</u>				
Stock	20 000		25 500	
Debtors	12000		13 000	
Bank	11 000		11 500	
	43 000		50 000	
Current Liabilities				
Creditors	21 000		22200	
Bank Overdraft	2000		3500	
	23 000		25700	
NET CURRENT ASSETS		20 000		
TOTAL NET ASSETS				
Financed by:				
Opening Capital		60 000		
Net Profit				
		86700		90400
Drawings		30 000		35900
Closing Capital				

- 2(e) Using the information from Question 2(a), complete the shaded areas of ULTIMATE ALLOYS' Balance Sheets opposite as at 31 March 2013 and 31 March 2014. [8]
- (f) Using the information given in the Balance Sheet in Question 2(e) and the formula given below, calculate the following ratio for 2013 to two decimal places. (You are advised to show your workings.) [2]

Ratio	2013	2014
Return on Capital Employed (ROCE) = Net Profit x 100 Capital Employed		59.44%

Workings for 2(f)

2(g)	Consider the financial statements (Trading Profit and Loss Accounts and Balance Sheets) and the ratios that you have calculated (Gross Profit Percentage, Net Profit Percentage, ROCE) and advise the potential investors whether or not they should invest in ULTIMATE ALLOYS. [10]			

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3. Study the information below and then answer the questions that follow.

After completing a course in fashion design Jemima decided that she would like to open a clothes shop. She has already seen a vacant shop for rent in town and has named her potential business ALL DRESSED UP. Jemima is aware, however, that she will have to plan carefully before going ahead with her business idea.

Jemima estimates her costs as follows:

Fixed Costs = £1000 per month

Variable Costs

per item sold = £20.00

Average price

per item sold = £30.00

3(a)	Budget for the first six months of trading before she goes ahead with her proposed venture.				
	(i)	Explain to Jemima what the Sales Budget will show. [2]			

3(a) (ii) Complete the Sales Budget below by filling in the shaded areas. [3]

Sales Budget for ALL DRESSED UP April – September 2014							
April May June July Aug Sept							
Estimated number of items sold	200	280	350		550	600	
Average price per item (£)		30	30	30	30	30	
Estimated Total Net Sales (£)	6000	8400	10 500	12300		18 000	

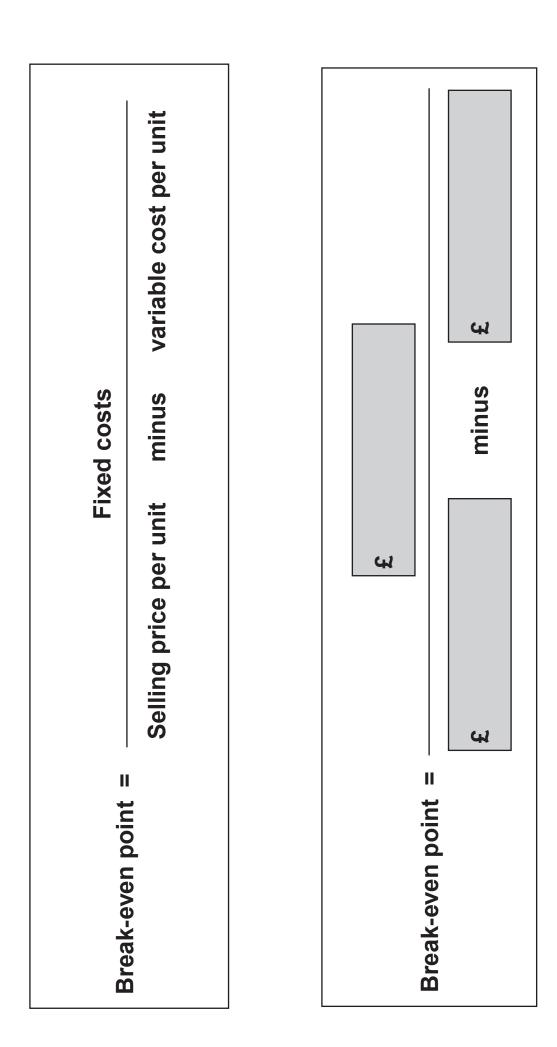
(iii) Explain to Jemima THREE advantages to ALL DRESSED UP of preparing a budget.

[6]

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3(b)	Jemima has also been advised that she should construct a break-even chart to calculate her break-even point. In order to do this she will need to know the difference between Fixed Costs and Variable Costs. [6]				
	(i)	Define Fixed Costs:			
		Example from ALL DRESSED UP:			
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3(b)	(ii)	Define Variable Costs:
		Example from ALL DRESSED UP:



3(c)	(i)	Using the formula opposite and the information given at the start of Question 3, insert the correct amounts in the shaded areas. [2]				
	(ii)	Calculate the number of items of clothing ALL DRESSED UP must sell to break even. (You are advised to show your workings.) [2]				

3(d)	(i)	Identify TWO effects that an unforeseen rise in rent would have on ALL DRESSED UP'S BREAK-EVEN CHART. [2]
		Effect 1
		Effect 2

3(d)	(ii)	State TWO courses of action that Jemima could take to lessen the impact on ALL DRESSED UP of the rise in rent. [2]				
		Course of Action 1				
		Course of Action 2				

3(a)	(111)	each course of action. [4] Impact of Course of Action 1				

3(d)	(iii)	Impact of Course of Action 2				

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