

GCSE (HIGHER TIER) BUSINESS STUDIES A

Paper 2 (Common Core)

THURSDAY 14 JUNE 2007



Time: 1 hour 45 minutes

Afternoon

Candidates answer on the question paper. No additional materials are required.





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INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name, Centre Number and Candidate number in the boxes above.
- Answer all the questions.
- Use blue or black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Do not write in the bar code.
- Do not write outside the box bordering each page.
- The spaces should be sufficient for your answers but if you require more space use the lined pages at the end of the booklet and number your answers carefully.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 120.
- The quality of your written communication will be taken into account when marking your answers to questions labelled with an asterisk (*).
- You may use an approved calculator.

FOR EXAM	NER'S USE
Question 1	
Question 2	
Question 3	
Question 4	
Question 5	
TOTAL	

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1 WaterHelp is a franchise organisation. It was started by Jack Formby in 1996. He produced a leaflet to advertise a franchise available in the Bowton area. Fig. 1 shows an extract from this leaflet.

Fig. 1 – Bowton WaterHelp Franchise (BWHF) – Advertising Leaflet

Bowton WaterHelp Franchise (BWHF) – Basic Information

WaterHelp

The franchise is WaterHelp. It has 25 successful franchises across the UK selling bottled water to businesses, hospitals and schools for use in dispensing machines. All the water is supplied by WaterHelp.

BWHF Franchise (BWHF)

The franchise offered will be called Bowton WaterHelp Franchise (BWHF). It will suit a sole trader.

The Water Market

There are 15,000 places of work in Bowton and the surrounding area employing a total of 80,000 people.

Start up Costs to be paid in the first year

The franchisee must pay a fee of £10,000.

The franchisee will need:

Warehouse - £5000 rent.

Van – leased from WaterHelp for £4000.

Possible sales (Based on sales in other areas)

Monday to Friday – 10 deliveries per day. Number of bottles per delivery – 10

Selling price per bottle – £5

Water cost

Cost per bottle – £2 (sold to franchisee by WaterHelp).

Training

Managing the business.

Getting customers.

Advertising

The franchisor will undertake a national campaign promoting WaterHelp.

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Details: An image of a water-cooler

(a)	Recommend two skills or qualities that Jack should look for in someone to run the franchise. Give reasons for your recommendations.
	1
	Reason
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	Reason
	[4]
*(b)	Jack is considering expanding the business either as a franchise or by starting up branches of WaterHelp owned and run by him in different regions of the country. Recommend which of these options Jack should choose. Give reasons for your answer.
	[8+2]

(c)	Danielle Smith applied successfully to run BWHF. Using the information in Fig. 1, calculate the gross profit that WaterHelp said she might make in a year. Assume that Danielle trades for 50 weeks each year. Show your working.
	Working
	Answer
(d)	The gross profit margin per bottle of water sold is calculated using the formula given below.
	Gross profit margin per bottle = Gross profit per bottle × 100
	Price per bottle
	Calculate the gross profit margin per bottle that Danielle will make. Show your working.
	Working
	Answer [2]
(e)	State two business costs not mentioned in Fig. 1 that Danielle will have to pay when running BWHF.
	1
	2 [2]

(f)	Explain why businesses such as BWHF may not make as much profit as planned.
	[4]
	[Total: 26 marks]

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(a) Danielle started the business as a sole trader.

	(i)	State and explain two advantages to Danielle of running the business as a sole trader.
		Advantage 1
		Explanation
		Advantage 2
		Explanation
		[4]
	(ii)	State and explain two disadvantages to Danielle of running the business as a sole trader.
		Disadvantage 1
		Explanation
		Disadvantage 2
		Explanation
		[4]
(b)		nielle buys water on trade credit from WaterHelp. Explain how trade credit will help nielle's business.
		[4]
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	Danielle leases a van from WaterHelp. Discuss whether or not this is a good way of fi a van.	mancin
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		[6
	ourchase using either a mortgage or retained profit. Recommend which method she use. Give reasons for your recommendation.	

[Total: 26 marks]

3	(a)		ielle needs to recruit a worker to help with the delivery of the water and to act as a sperson.
		Ехр	lain why Danielle should produce each of the following when recruiting the worker.
		(i)	Job description
			[3]
		(ii)	Person specification
			[3]
	(b)	prod sho	ng information provided by applicants on their application forms and CVs, Danielle duced a shortlist of four final candidates. Recommend two methods of selection that she uld use to choose which of the shortlisted candidates to employ. Give reasons for each of recommendations.
		Firs	t method of selection
		Rea	sons
		Sec	ond method of selection
		Rea	sons
			[6]

*(c)	Recommend two ways in which Danielle should motivate the new worker. Give reasons for each of your recommendations.
	One
	Reasons
	Two
	Reasons
	[6+2]
(d)	Explain two employment laws that Danielle must obey as the employer of the worker.
	Law 1
	Law 2
	[4]
	[Total: 24 marks]

4 Fig. 2 shows the balance sheet for the Bowton WaterHelp Franchise (BWHF).

Fig. 2 – Balance Sheet as at 31 December 2005 and 2006 – BWHF

	2005	2006	
Fixed Assets			
Premises	60,000	74,000	
Equipment	14,000	24,000	
Current Assets			
Stock	2,000	3,000	
Debtors	5,000	3,000	
Cash at bank	5,000	2,000	
Current Liabilities			
Overdraft	3,000	3,000	
Creditors	3,000	3,000	
Net Current Assets	6,000	2,000	
NET ASSETS	80,000	100,000	
Financed by:			
Owner's Capital	40,000	65,000	
Loan	40,000	35,000	
CAPITAL EMPLOYED	80,000	100,000	

Fig. 3 – Profit figures for BWHF

Year	Net profit
2005	20,000
2006	22,000

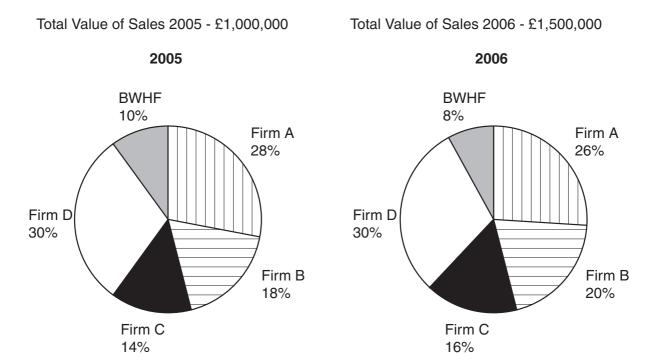
(a)	Calculate the current ratio for 2005 for BWHF at 31 December 2005. Show your working.	king.		
	Working			
	Answer	[3		
(b)	Calculate the Return on Capital Employed for BWHF for 2005. Show your working.			
	Working			
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Would Danielle be pleased with the progress of her business from 2005 to 2006? Give reasons for your answer.			
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Exp	olain how a rise in interest rates may affect:		
	the costs of BWHF;		
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(ii)	the sales of BWHF.		
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5 (a) Fig. 4 shows the share of the Bowton area market for bottled water sold for dispensers in 2005 and 2006.

Fig. 4 - Share of dispensed water market in Bowton - 2005 and 2006



What happened to the value of sales of bottled water for BWHF between 2005 and 2006?
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(b)	Danielle wants to increase sales of water to schools.
	Recommend a marketing strategy Danielle could use to encourage pupils and staff in schools to drink more water from BWHF. Give reasons for each of your recommendations.
	[8]
(c)	Danielle also plans to start selling water to leisure centres. Recommend how she should research this market. Give reasons for your answer.
	[6]

(d) Fig. 5 is an extract from a newspaper article about WaterHelp.

Fig. 5 – Extract from newspaper article

WaterHelp makes record donations

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Details: An image of a woman pumping water into a container and two watering cans

WaterHelp money paid for a new well to be built in an African village. Owner of WaterHelp, Jack Formby, said, "It's great to see the villagers becoming independent – that's why I set up the business."

Jack Formby, the owner of WaterHelp, gives 10% of the price of each bottle of water that he sells to AidAfrica, a charity that provides help for poor people in Africa.

(i)	Calculate how much will be donated to AidAfrica from the sale of each £2 bottle of water. Show your working.
	Working
	Answer[2
(ii)	Using the information in Fig. 5, discuss how the objectives of Jack Formby in running WaterHelp may differ from those of Danielle Smith in running BWHF.
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