

## Mark Scheme (Results) Summer 2008

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Question Number	Answer	Mark
1	(AO1 Demonstrate = 2) Valid points could include:	
	<ul><li>advertising budget</li><li>best use of or re 2012 Olympics</li></ul>	(2)

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2	(AO1 Demonstrate = 3; A02 apply = 3)	
	Valid points could include:	
	(a) local market	
	<ul> <li>small geographical area</li> <li>own country</li> <li>suitable example</li> </ul>	
	(b) target consumer	
	<ul> <li>main likely buyer of product / specific customer</li> <li>key characteristics</li> <li>example such as age or sex</li> </ul>	
	(c) soft sell	
	<ul> <li>allow informative rather than performative</li> <li>suitable example such as email pop-ups</li> <li>method which is less direct than hard sell</li> </ul>	(6)

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3(a)	(AO1 demonstrate = 3) Valid points could include:	
	<ul> <li>text messages</li> <li>in-store placement</li> <li>national press / magazines</li> <li>radio</li> <li>internet</li> <li>outdoor</li> </ul>	(3)

Question Number	Answer	Mark
3(b)	(AO2 Apply = 3; AO3 analyse = 12)	
	Valid points could include:	
	text messages	
	<ul> <li>advantages</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>cheaper than alternatives</li> <li>modern get immediate response</li> <li>appropriate for younger audience</li> <li>target audience</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>disadvantages</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>too brief</li> <li>not visually stimulating</li> <li>limited audience</li> <li>easy to miss/not accept message</li> </ul>	
	in-store placement	
	<ul> <li>advantages</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>consumer can see product in reality</li> <li>buy with other products (loss leader)</li> <li>place with complementary goods</li> <li>wide coverage</li> </ul>	
	disadvantages	
	<ul> <li>large stock needed</li> <li>not as exciting as TV and text</li> <li>susceptible to theft</li> <li>small audience (in urban areas)</li> </ul>	
	national press	
	<ul> <li>advantages</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>mass audience</li> <li>cheaper than television</li> <li>advert can be cut and kept</li> <li>target-specific readership</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>disadvantages</li> </ul>	

<ul> <li>less impact than television</li> </ul>	
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<ul> <li>easily missed</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>no movement, little colour</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>visual only</li> </ul>	
internet	
<ul> <li>advantages</li> </ul>	
mass audience	
<ul> <li>colour / movement</li> <li>absence then some others</li> </ul>	
<ul><li>cheaper than some others</li><li>order online</li></ul>	
<ul> <li>disadvantages</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>some not computer literate</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>temporary impact</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>no computers in certain areas</li> </ul>	
outdoor	
<ul> <li>advantages</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>visual attractiveness - awareness</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>disadvantages</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>effectiveness varies with type</li> </ul>	
E marks for each with maximum 2 for advantages (or	
disadvantages)	(15)
<ul> <li>passers by see it</li> <li>relatively cheap compared with others</li> <li>accessible to different age groups</li> <li>visual attractiveness - awareness</li> <li>disadvantages</li> <li>no sound / motion</li> <li>damage from weather</li> <li>very little detail</li> <li>effectiveness varies with type</li> </ul> 5 marks for each with maximum 3 for advantages (or	

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4 4	<ul> <li>(AO2 Apply = 2; AO4 Evaluate = 12)</li> <li>Valid points could include: <ul> <li>£10 m on non TV methods (with example) (2)</li> <li>£30 m budget on TV and candidate gives reasons for choice (4 x 2 = 8)</li> <li>candidate makes comparative statement about this method relative to other ones, eg TV is more expensive than cinema but reaches wider audience (2)</li> <li>candidate justifies allocation of budget to other non TV advertising, giving reasons and possible benefits (2)</li> <li>recognition that one-off decision and previous spending may be significant (2)</li> <li>realisation that soft drinks campaign differs from trainer (Adidas) (2)</li> <li>recognition that behaviours of rivals may be significant (2)</li> <li>he/she recognises that their choice depends on factors such as <ul> <li>cost</li> <li>profits</li> <li>short and long term factors</li> <li>public image</li> <li>advantages of specific method</li> <li>target audience</li> <li>any other relevant point (2 each)</li> </ul> </li> </ul></li></ul>	
	<ul> <li>recognition that TV has disadvantages (2)</li> </ul>	(14)