The Marketing Institute

Certificate in Selling - Stage 1

PRINCIPLES OF PERSONAL SELLING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15, 2007. TIME: 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm

Please attempt **FIVE** questions.

(If more than the specified number of questions are attempted, delete those you do not wish to have marked. Otherwise the Examiner will mark the **FIRST** five questions in your Answer Book).

All questions carry equal marks.

Do **NOT** repeat question in answer, but show clearly the number of the question attempted on the appropriate page of the Answer Book.

- 1. Explain any five closing techniques, giving specific examples of selling situations in which each might be appropriate. (20 marks)
- 2. (a) Outline the factors that differentiate personal selling from the other elements of the marketing communications mix. (10 marks)
 - (b) Explain the product characteristics that typically determine whether personal selling will be used in the promotions mix. (10 marks)
- 3. Explain the concept of non-verbal communication and assess its implications throughout the selling process. (20 marks)
- 4. 'Consumers are always more emotive than rational in satisfying their needs.' Discuss. (20 marks)
- 5. Using a motor car as an example to illustrate your answer, describe the FAB method of sales presentation. (20 marks)
- 6. 'The objective of every sales call should be to make a sale.'
 Discuss. (20 marks)

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- 7. (a) Why are demonstrations particularly effective in selling capital equipment to industrial customers? (10 marks)
 - (b) Outline the process you would use to demonstrate your company's recently developed, and technologically advanced, Customer Database Management System to the managing director of a supermarket chain. (10 marks)
- 8. Explain **each** of the following terms:

•	High-pressure selling	(5 marks)
•	Sales forecasting	(5 marks)

• Follow-up (5 marks)

• Reference selling (5 marks)