## **Diploma in Marketing - Stage 3**



## MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS

## 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.

(Note: Marks are awarded for the relevant use of contemporary Irish and or international examples of marketing practice)

- 1. "Effective and consistent marketing communications efforts are needed to build on and maintain brand equity". (Shimp, 2007:40).

  Discuss.
- 2. Discuss your understanding of the Consumer Processing Model (CPM), indicating the type of consumer behaviour to which it applies.
- 3. Although most marketing executives would agree on the importance of measuring the effectiveness of their advertising messages, there are a number of difficulties in doing so.

  Discuss.
- 4. Critically examine the use of comparative advertising, indicating its relative suitability to different situations.
- 5. Your advertising agency is promoting a new line of clothing aimed at 18-25 year old women. Discuss the decisions that you would take when setting the media objectives for the campaign.
- 6. Examine the role and use of the database in the context of a supermarket's marketing communications activities.

- 7. When might an organisation need to use reactive Marketing Public Relations (MPR) and accordingly, what principles should be followed?
- 8. Critically discuss the limitations of sales promotions, in both a consumer and trade context.