

2009 Business Management

Intermediate 1

Finalised Marking Instructions

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Section 1 Solutions

- 1 Glenmorangie is a PLC.
 - (a) *Define the term PLC.*
 - Public Limited Company

(1)

(4)

(b) A stakeholder has an interest in the success of a business.

Identify **2** *stakeholders of Glenmorangie and describe a different interest for each stakeholder.*

Stakeholder	Interest
Employees	 In good rate of pay In continuing success of business to provide job security
Managers	 In continuing success of business to provide job security In their own personal status In receiving financial perks
Suppliers	Prompt payment for goodsTo receive regular orders
Shareholders	High profits
• Government	In taxes being paidIn laws being obeyed
Local Community	 Provision of goods Provision of jobs
Customers	 In good quality products In reasonable prices/good service
• Bank	• In receiving payments for loans

ONE mark Stakeholder ONE mark Interest – no repetition

- 2 Ten new jobs have been created at the Broxburn site.
 - (a) Name the department in Glenmorangie that will be responsible for recruitment.
 - Human Resources
 - (b) Describe the following types of training that could be given to employees in *Glenmorangie*.

On the job

• Training that takes place at the workplace

Induction

- Training given to new employees
- Shown the business etc

(2)

(1)

3

(a) Suggest 2 possible reasons why Glenmorangie changed their brand image.

- To increase market share
- To reach a new market
- To entice new customers
- To beat competitors
- Any reasonable answer

(2)

- (b) Identify **2** methods that Glenmorangie could use to inform their customers of the changes to their image.
 - Advertise on television/Advertise on radio/Billboards
 - Website
 - Direct mailing/Fliers
 - Any reasonable answer

(2)

(a) Identify a method of production that Glenmorangie may use.

Method

• Batch or Flow

(1)

(b) Describe **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage of the method of production identified in 4(a).

Advantage	Batch	 Faster/cheaper than job production Sets of similar products can be made Changes can be made between batches
	Flow	 Vast quantities of similar products can be made Cheaper labour costs Lower unit costs
Disadvantage	Batch	 Time needed to adjust/clean machinery between batches Requires careful planning
	Flow	Cost of machineryAll products are identical

If wrong method of production in (a) give credit in (b)

5 *Quality is important to all business organisations.*

Suggest 3 ways that Glenmorangie could ensure high quality.

- Training workers
- Using good quality materials
- Maintaining machinery
- Using quality control and checking finished goods
- Quality Assurance
- Quality Management/TQM

(3)

(2)

4

(a) Describe any **3** of the following technologies.

- *Electronic Diary* diary that saves information on a computer which has many functions including reminders and alarms
- *Video-conferencing* this allows people in different locations to hold meetings without physically meeting up
- *Local Area Network* when computers are linked together within an organisation. Allows the sharing of information, software and peripherals
- *EPOS* Electronic Point Of Sale, use of barcodes

(3)

(b) Describe 2 costs and 2 benefits of using ICT.

Costs	Benefits
Cost of equipment	Increase production
Cost of training	Less accidents
• Staff feel threatened/job losses	Quicker communication
• If breakdowns occur work may have to	Savings on labour costs
stop	
Eliminates personal contact	

(4)

Total 25 marks

[END OF SECTION ONE]

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Section 2 Solutions

1 *Gemma Johnstone is an entrepreneur.*

Describe 2 roles of an entrepreneur.

- Someone who develops a business idea
- Combines the factors of production
- Takes risk
- Makes big decisions

(2)

2

(a) Identify 2 problems Gemma may face when setting up her business.

- Competition
- Lack of experience
- Lack of finance
- Lack of customers
- Consequence of unlimited liability (specified)

(2)

(b) State a different objective for each of the following organisations.

Organisation	Objective
Sole trader eg Just Dogs	 To make a profit Survival Growth Social responsibility
Charity eg SSPCA	 To increase awareness To increase donations To increase the number of volunteers
Publicly-funded organisation eg Edinburgh City Council	To provide a serviceTo use taxpayers money efficiently

Any reasonable answer

(3)

3 *Just Dogs has launched a website.*

Suggest 2 ways a business could use a website.

- Advertise
- Collect customer information
- Check on competitors
- Sell online
- Order supplies
- Any reasonable answer

(2)

4 Information can be presented in a variety of ways.

In the table below, name the different types of information being described. The first one has been completed for you.

Description	Type of information
This type of information can give an instant response.	Oral
This type of information allows you to carry out calculations.	Numerical
This type of information could be referred back to and can be kept as a record.	Written
This type of information is in the form of photographs.	Pictorial
This type of information is a good way to display complicated information and for making comparisons.	Graphical

- 5
- (a) Define the term multinational organisation.
 - an organisation which operates in 2 or more countries throughout the world
- (b) *List 2 reasons why an organisation might become a multinational.*
 - Cheaper labour
 - Cheaper production costs
 - Economies of scale
 - To grow

(2)

(1)

6 *Rising costs could be a worry for a business.*

- (a) Suggest 2 ways a business could reduce their costs.
 - Find a cheaper supplier
 - Reduce number of employees
 - Reduce amount spent on advertising etc

(2)

(b) Define the financial terms in the table below. The first one has been done for you.

Finance Term	Definition
Fixed Assets	Items that a business owns that will last for more than one year
Drawings	Money that the owner takes out of the business for their own personal use
Debtors	Customers who have received goods but not yet paid for them

(2)

- (c) Name the annual account in which each of the items in 6 (b) would appear.
 - Balance sheet

(1)

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- Equal Pay Act
- Health & Safety at Work
- Race Relations Act 1976
- Disability Discrimination Act 1995
- National Minimum Wage regulations 1999
- The Employment Equality (Age) Regulations 2006

No requirement to give dates

(b) *Describe 2 roles of management in employee relations.*

- Meeting regularly with union reps
- Having regular meetings with employees
- Forming a works council
- Negotiating with employees
- Having an employee rep on board of management

(2)

(2)

Total 25 marks

[END OF MARKING INSTRUCTIONS]