

Cambridge O Level

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*4262	BUSINESS S	TUDIES		7115/22
426	Paper 2 Case S	Study	Oc	tober/November 2020
				1 hour 30 minutes
78848*	You must answ	er on the question paper.		
	You will need:	Insert (enclosed)		

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer all questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
- Do **not** use an erasable pen or correction fluid.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The insert contains the case study.

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1	(a)	Explain two	reasons why finance is needed by CC.	
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Reason 1:	
Explanation:	
Reason 2:	
Explanation:	
	[8]

- (b) Explain the benefits and limitations of the following **two** ways of achieving quality production. Which way should CC use? Justify your answer.
 - Quality control
 - Quality assurance

Quality control:	
Quality assurance:	
Recommendation:	
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2 (a) Explain two possible reasons why Aisha set up CC as a business partnership.

Reason 1:	
Explanation:	
Reason 2:	
Explanation:	
	[8]

- (b) Consider the advantages and disadvantages of the following **three** methods of employee selection. Which method should CC use when recruiting production workers? Justify your answer.
 - Application form
 - Interview
 - Aptitude tests

Application form:	
Interview:	
Aptitude tests:	
Recommendation:	
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3 (a) Explain **two** reasons why a new business is at a greater risk of failing than an established business.

Reason 1:	
Explanation:	
Reason 2:	
Explanation:	
	[8]

- (b) Consider the following **three** elements of a suitable marketing mix for CC's new range of personalised mobile phone covers. Justify which element is the most important.
 - Pricing method
 - Method of promotion
 - Place distribution channel

Pricing method:	
Method of promotion:	
Place - distribution channel:	
Conclusion:	
	[12]

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4	(a)	Using the data in Appendix 3, calculate the following ratios for CC:
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 Gross profit margin Profit margin Current ratio Acid test ratio 	
Show your workings.	
Gross profit margin:	
Profit margin:	
Current ratio:	
Acid test ratio:	
	[8]

(b) Consider how the changes in the following **three** government legal controls could affect CC. Which change is likely to have the greatest effect on profit? Justify your answer.

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- Increase in the minimum wage
- More controls over what can be stated in advertisements
- No waste plastic can be sent to landfill sites

Increase in the minimum wage:	
More controls over what can be stated in advertisements:	
No waste plastic can be sent to landfill sites:	
Conclusion:	
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