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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

1 (a)(ii)

Statement of Financial Position of Compass Tablets plc at 30 Sept 2016

ASSETS				
Non-current Assets		Carry over		
Property, plant & equipment		value		
Factory buildings		15 960 000 ✓		
Warehouse premises		5 425 250 ✓		
Production machinery		1 882 000 ✓		
Motor vehicles		452 000 ✓		
			23 719 250	
Intangibles - Patents			750 000 ✓	
				24 469 250
Current Assets				
Inventories			1 424 000 ✓	
Trade and Other Receivables				
Trade receivables		3 240 000 ✓		
Prepayments		18 900 ✓		
			3 258 900	
Cash and Cash Equivalents				
Bank		656 000		
Cash		342 000 ✓ both		
			998 000	
				5 680 900
Total Assets				30 150 150

EQUITY AND LIABILITIES			
Equity			
Share Capital			
Ordinary shares of £0.25		15 050 000 ✓	
Retained earnings		2 644 150 ✓ o/f	
			17 694 150
Non-current Liabilities			
Debenture 6.5% 2020	10 000 000 ✓		
			10 000 000
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables			
Trade payables	1 288 000		
Other payables	49 000 ✓ both		
Advertising owing	124 000 ✓		
Debenture interest	325 000 ✓		
		1 786 000	
Provisions			
Corporation tax		670 000 ✓	
			2 456 000
Total Equity and Liabilities			30 150 150 ✓ o/f
Total 17 x ✓			

1(b)**Strengths**

Gross Profit is good ✓ at 61% of revenue. ✓
Net Profit before tax is good ✓ at 21% of revenue. ✓ This compares very well to eg bank deposits in times of low interest rates. ✓
Net Profit before tax for this year is £6.3m OR Net profit after tax for this year is £4.9m – very good. ✓
Return on Capital Employed is excellent ✓ at 25.27%, using the end year figure for capital employed ✓
Earnings per share is 8.3 pence per share ✓ which is good. ✓
Current ratio is good ✓ at 2.31:1. ✓
Acid ratio is good ✓ at 1.73:1. ✓
Working capital is good ✓ at £ 3 224 900. ✓
Company has tax bill of £670 000 to pay in 3 months, ✓ and £998 000 cash and bank. ✓
Gearing is good ✓ at 36%. ✓
Compass is in the tablet computer sector and there may be opportunities for expansion and investment. ✓

Weaknesses

Current ratio may be a little too high ✓ liquid funds maybe are not being used efficiently. ✓
Acid ratio is too high. ✓
Company has taken out a debenture of £10m until 2020 ✓ and will have to pay interest. ✓
Maximum of 8 marks for arguing only one side.

Conclusion - 2 marks

Should relate to points made above.
E.g. Compass Tablets plc has had a good trading year ✓ and has no serious liquidity problems. ✓

(12)**Total for Question 1 = 52 Marks**

2(a)

Inflows	Products	Weeks	Price	Total	
Year 1	130	50	5.4	35 100	
Year 2	150	50	5.6	42 000	
Year 3	150	50	5.6	42 000	
Year 4	160	50	5.8	46 400	
Year 5	160	50	5.8	46 400	
Purchases	Products	weeks	Price	Total	
Year 1	5 000	1	2.7	13 500✓	
	130	49	2.7	17 199✓	
Year 2	150	50	2.8	21 000✓	
Year 3	150	50	2.8	21 000	
Year 4	160	50	2.9	23 200✓	
Year 5	160	50	2.9	23 200	4
Running costs	Per week	weeks		Deprectn	Total
Year 1	280	50	14 000	4 000	10 000✓
Year 2	280	50	14 000	4 000	10 000
Year 3	300	50	15 000	4 000	11 000✓
Year 4	300	50	15 000	4 000	11 000
Year 5	320	50	16 000	4 000	12 000✓
					3
Cash Flow	Inflow	Outflow	NCF		
Year 1	35 100✓	40 699✓	-5 599✓ o/f		
Year 2	42 000✓	31 000✓	11 000		
Year 3	42 000	32 000✓	10 000✓ o/f both		
Year 4	46 400✓	34 200✓	12 200		
Year 5	46 400	35 200✓	11 200✓ o/f both		
		3	5	3	18 marks

2(b)

	NCF	Cumulative
1	-5 599	-5 599
2	11 000	5 401
3	10 000	15 401
4	12 200	27 601

Payback period = 20 000 - 15 401 = 4 599

$$= 3 \text{ years } \frac{(4\,599 \text{ of } f \times 12)}{12\,200 \text{ of } f} = 3 \text{ years } 4.52 \text{ months}$$

(7)**2(c)****(i)**

NPV		17%	
Year 0	-20 000	1	-20 000.00
Year 1	-5 599	0.855	-4 787.15
Year 2	11 000	0.731	8 041.00
Year 3	10 000	0.624	6 240.00
Year 4	12 200	0.534	6 514.80
Year 5	11 200	0.456	5 107.20
			1 115.86

(3)

2(c)(ii)

NPV		20%		
Year 0	-20 000	1	-20 000.00	
Year 1	-5 599	0.833	-4 663.97	
Year 2	11 000	0.694	7 634.00	
Year 3	10 000	0.579	5 790.00	
Year 4	12 200	0.482	5 880.40	
Year 5	11 200	0.402	4 502.40	all 5
			-857.17	

(3)**2(d)**

Internal Rate of Return = Lower rate + (% difference between rates) x $\frac{\text{NPV using lower \% rate}}{\text{Difference between NPVs}}$

$$= 17\% + (3 \times \frac{1115.86}{1973.03})$$

$$= 18.7\% \text{ of}$$

(9)

2(e) Answers may include:

Payback method –

this method measures the period of time it takes the cash flows of a project ✓ to repay the cost of the investment ✓

Advantages:

Simple to use ✓ and easy to understand the results. ✓

Can be used to compare different projects ✓ with different initial costs. ✓

Disadvantages:

Does not take account of the falling value of money ✓ over time. ✓

May not be suitable for projects that have uneven cash flows ✓ e.g. a project may payback quickly and look attractive, ✓ but have little cash inflows after payback ✓

Internal Rate of Return (IRR) method –

This method calculates the discounted cash flow that the project is expected to achieve ✓ ie the rate at which the net present value is zero ✓

Advantages:

Takes account of the falling value of money ✓ over time. ✓

Tells the business the exact discounted cash flow rate of return ✓ which the project is expected to achieve. ✓

Disadvantages:

Not simple to use, ✓ as formula is quite complicated. ✓

Can be time consuming ✓ as choosing rates for cost of capital can be hit and miss. ✓

Maximum for arguing one side only is 8 marks.

Conclusion - 2 marks

Payback method is good to use as a first screening of a project, ✓ but IRR gives a better indication of the expected return. ✓
(12)

Total for Question 2 = 52 marks

3 (a)

Figures are in £ millions	Ordinary £1 Share Capital £m	Share Premium £m	Retained Earnings £m	General Reserve £m	Capital Replacement Reserve £m	Revaluation Reserve £m	Total Equity £m
(i) Balance at October 1st 2015	400 ✓	100 ✓ both	(4) ✓	2	1	27 ✓ all 3	526 ✓
(ii)	100 ✓	5 ✓					105
(iii)			20 ✓			(20) ✓ ✓ correct no	0
(iv)			(2) ✓				(2)
(v)			2 ✓	(2) ✓			0
(vi)			(8) ✓		8 ✓		0
(vii)			(4) ✓				(4)
(viii)			7 ✓				7
Balance at 30 September 2016	500	105 ✓ both	11 ✓	0	9	7 ✓ all 3	632 ✓ o/f

(20)

3(b)

- (a)(iii) is an example of the realisation concept. ✓
 Profits are not taken into account until realised. ✓
 When the property was revalued upwards, the "profit" had not yet been realised. ✓
 When it was sold the profit was realised and could be taken to the Statement of Comprehensive Income/retained earnings. ✓

Also acceptable

This is an example of the accruals concept. ✓
 Similar argument as above.

(4)**3(c)** Two examples of what the Capital Replacement reserve could be spent on (one ✓ per item)

Any 2 from – property plant equipment machinery furniture motor vehicles etc

(2)**3(d)** No final dividend was paid because the balance on the Retained Earnings ✓ account was a debit ✓
 OR Revenue reserves totalled ✓ a minus/debit figure. ✓**(2)****3(e)** Maximum amount payable = $\frac{(11\checkmark + 9\checkmark)}{(400 + 100)\checkmark}$ = 4 pence per share ✓ o/f**(4)****3(f) (i)** Before 1 October 2015 = $\frac{100}{400} \times 100 \checkmark = 25\% \checkmark$ **(2)****(ii)** On 1 December 2015 = $\frac{5}{100} \times 100 \checkmark = 5\% \checkmark$ **(2)****(g)** Answers could include:

- The difference is explained by the market price at the time of issue. ✓
 Before October 2015 the market price of a £1 share was/thought to be around £1.25. ✓
 In December 2015, the market price was around £1.05. ✓
 This is lower because the company made a loss in the year to 30 September 2015. ✓
 The market does not have so much confidence in the company in December 2015 when new share issue is made ✓
(4)

(h) Advantages of Rights Issues

Allows the company to raise funds ✓ that can be used for the benefit of the company. ✓
 Funds could be used to pay dividends to shareholders ✓ who did not receive a final dividend for 2015 ✓ who may be unhappy. ✓

Existing shareholders get the first rights to buy the shares, ✓ so

- administration costs ✓ will be lower than a public issue, ✓ if the rights are taken up. ✓
- Existing shareholders do not see a dilution ✓ of powers/ownership ✓

The company may appear a "bigger" company ✓ as it has a larger capital base. ✓

A successful rights issue shows the shareholders have confidence in the company. ✓

A rights issue helps banks maintain the capital base ✓ that is required for banks. ✓

Disadvantages of Rights Issues

Costs of administration. ✓

Rights may not all be taken up. ✓ This may mean:

- extra costs of having issue underwritten ✓ by e.g. merchant banks. ✓
- new shareholders take up the shares, ✓ so existing shareholders see powers diluted. ✓

Shareholders were probably unhappy at not receiving a final dividend for 2015, ✓ now they are being asked to pay up more cash, ✓ which will make them even more unhappy. ✓

If the market price of the shares falls below the issue price before the issue, ✓ nobody will take up the rights issue. ✓

Some ratios will now worsen, ✓ due to the larger capital base. ✓

E.g. Return on capital employed ✓ Earnings per share ✓ Dividends per share ✓ Dividend yield ✓ (max 2)

A rights issue may send out a signal to the market ✓ that the company is short of funds, ✓ so confidence in the company falls. ✓ This may effect the Price Earnings ratio, ✓ or even the credit rating of the company. ✓

Maximum of 8 marks for arguing one side.

Conclusion 2 marks

Chandani Banking plc could probably welcome the extra funds, ✓ but they run the risk of upsetting the shareholders and the market with a rights issue. ✓

(12)
Total for Question 3 = 52 marks

Section B

4(a) (i)

Fixed Costs -	per year	Variable costs per unit
Loan	£4 380	(0.54 + 3.50 + 0.03 + 0.25 + 0.12) ✓
Rent	£11 100	Total £4.44 per unit ✓ o/f
Depreciation	£3 900 ✓ (any 3)	
Electricity	£1 820	
Insurance	£2 000	Contribution per unit
Manager	£13 200 ✓ (next 3)	(£8.99 - £4.44o/f) ✓ = £4.55 o/f ✓
Total FC	£36 400 ✓ o/f	

$$\text{Break-even Point} = \frac{\underline{\pounds 36\,400} \text{ o/f} \checkmark}{\pounds 4.55 \text{ o/f} \checkmark} = 8\,000 \text{ games o/f} \checkmark \quad \text{(10)}$$

4(a)(ii) Profit for Year 1

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Sales} &= 200 \times 52 \times \pounds 8.99 = \pounds 93\,496 \checkmark \\ \text{Less VC} &= 200 \times 52 \times \pounds 4.44 \text{ o/f} = (\pounds 46\,176) \checkmark \text{ o/f} \\ \text{Less FC} &= (\pounds 36\,400) \checkmark \text{ o/f} \\ \text{Profit} &= \pounds 10\,920 \checkmark \text{ o/f} \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{4(b) (i) Break-even is after } \frac{8\,000 \checkmark}{200 \checkmark} = 40 \text{ weeks} \checkmark \quad \text{(3)}$$

(ii) Yes, Pranja should invest in the project ✓ o/f (1)

$$\text{4(c) Margin of safety} = (10\,400 - 8000\text{o/f}) \checkmark = 2\,400 \text{ units o/f} \checkmark \quad \text{(2)}$$

$$\text{Margin of safety} = (\pounds 93\,496 - \pounds 71\,920\text{o/f}) \checkmark = \pounds 21\,576 \text{ o/f} \checkmark \quad \text{(2)}$$

$$\text{Margin of safety} = (52 - 40 \text{ o/f}) \checkmark = 12 \text{ weeks o/f} \checkmark \quad \text{(2)}$$

4(d)

FOR use:

- Break-even is a tool that allows a business to forecast profit/loss at different output levels. ✓
- Helps a business break down costs into fixed or variable. ✓
- Helps identify the margin of safety ✓
- Could be presented to a bank to help raise finance ✓
- BEP after 40 weeks means 12 weeks output and sales contribution will be profit, ✓ which should give a reasonable profit margin for the year. ✓

AGAINST effectiveness

- Cost and revenue figures are only predictions ✓
- Analysis assumes straight lines (on graphs) ✓ but these are likely to be curves ✓ as discounts are given or received for bulk sales OR overtime worked at a higher rate. ✓
- Theory assumes that all output is sold ✓ which may not happen/ some production left unsold. ✓
- Many projects require more than 40 weeks in order to break-even, ✓ and are still profitable overall ✓

Maximum of 4 marks for arguing only one side of argument.

CONCLUSION

- Break-even analysis is one of a number of tools that can be used to aid business decision-making ✓
- 40 weeks break-even period would only apply to a small-scale project. ✓

(8)

Total for Question 4 = 32 marks

- 5(a)(i)** $(£45\,000 - £49\,000) \checkmark = \text{Loss } (£4\,000) \checkmark$ **(2)**
- 5(a)(ii)** $(£23\,000 + £13\,000) \checkmark = £36\,000 \checkmark$ **(2)**
- 5(a)(iii)** Advantage
 More/wider range in inventory which allows unexpected orders \checkmark or large orders to be met. \checkmark **(2)**
Disadvantage
 Greater costs of storing inventory \checkmark eg rent, insurance, security \checkmark
 Liquid funds/working capital is tied up \checkmark and it may be put to better use elsewhere \checkmark **(2)**
- 5(a)(iv)** $(£65\,000 + £31\,000) \checkmark = £96\,000 \checkmark$ **(2)**
- 5(a)(v)** $(£58\,000 + £35\,000) \checkmark = £93\,000 \checkmark$ **(2)**
- 5(a)(vi)** Size of loan = $£40\,000 \checkmark \times \frac{100}{8} \checkmark = £500\,000 \checkmark$ **(3)**
- 5(a)(vii)** Indian Ocean Containers plc are in need of liquid funds \checkmark
 Shares are not paying sufficient dividends \checkmark
 Share price is falling / or has risen and gain is being taken \checkmark **(3)**
- 5(a)(viii)** $(£135\,000 - £106\,000) \checkmark = £29\,000 \checkmark$ **(2)**
- 5(a)(ix)** Year end bank balance = $(£39\,000 + £9\,000) \checkmark = £48\,000 \text{ overdraft } \checkmark$
 Yearly movement = $(£135\,000 - £48\,000) \checkmark = £87\,000 \text{ increase } \checkmark$ **(4)**

5(b)**Operating Activities**

Very important. ✓ The business cannot survive in the long term without cash inflows from operations. ✓

Investing Activities

A negative cash flow could mean that the company is investing for the future ✓ eg in non-current assets, or more modern technology. ✓

A positive cash flow could indicate that the company is selling off non-current assets, ✓ which may be worrying. ✓

A positive cash flow could signify that the company is selling off non-core business, ✓ which may be a good strategy. ✓

Financing Activities

A positive cash flow would be expected during the first year of trading, ✓ as the company attracts finance in order to commence trading. ✓

A positive cash flow would be good ✓ if the company needs to attract funds in order to expand. ✓

A positive cash flow would be bad ✓ if the company needs to attract funds in order to survive/ meet debts etc. ✓

A negative cash flow would be good ✓ if the company is paying back debt. ✓

A negative cash flow would be good ✓ if it were paying high levels of dividends because they are making high profits. ✓

Maximum of 4 marks for discussing one section.

Conclusion

Operating activities is probably the most important, as they cannot survive without making cash inflows from operations ✓
(8)

Total for Question 5 = 32 marks

6 (a)

<u>(i) Inventory Budget</u>					
	<u>December</u>		<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>	
Inventory	2400 ✓	3200 ✓	4000 ✓	(3)	
<u>(a)(ii) Production Budget</u>					
	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>		
For next month sales	12000	16000	20000 ✓		
Inventory adjustment	-5200 ✓o/f	800	800 ✓o/f		
Required good production	6800	16800	20800 ✓o/f		
Rejects	358 ✓o/f	884 ✓o/f	1095 ✓o/f		
Total production	7158 ✓o/f	17684 ✓o/f	21895 ✓o/f	(10)	
<u>(iii) Raw materials purchases (mls)</u>					
	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>		
For production	71580	176840	218950 ✓o/f		
Wastage	1461	3609	4468 ✓o/f		
Total materials required	73041 ✓	180449 ✓	223418 ✓o/f	(5)	
<u>(iv) Raw materials purchases £</u>					
	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>		
Total cost	4017 ✓o/f	9925 ✓o/f	12288 ✓o/f	(3)	
<u>(v) Trade Receivables Budget</u>					
	<u>December</u>	<u>January</u>	<u>February</u>		
Sales	38000	12000	16000		
Total Trade Receivables at month end	102600 ✓o/f	32400 ✓o/f	43200 ✓o/f	(3)	

6(b)**Advantages of Rejecting finished goods**

By rejecting damaged goods/ goods not perfect, the company are assured that goods in the stores are of merchantable/ good quality. ✓ This will ensure the brand name is not damaged /has a good reputation. ✓ This is particularly important in the fragrance market, ✓ where a quality brand name can command a premium price. ✓ High levels of rejections would mean the inspection process is rigorous /doing its job. ✓

Disadvantages of Rejecting finished goods

Rejected finished goods means resources have been wasted. ✓ These would be materials ✓ and/or labour. ✓ It also means capital/finance is wasted. ✓ The company should investigate the possible cause of this rejection ✓ e.g. poor quality of materials, or unskilled or untrained labour, faulty machinery etc ✓ (need one possibility for maximum of one tick)

Maximum of 4 marks for arguing only one side of argument.

Conclusion – 2 marks

Andromeda plc should be concerned about the rejection of finished goods as resources are wasted ✓✓ (8)

Total for Question 6 = 32 marks

7(d)

Case For not producing all of the product range

Profits can be maximised, ✓ by ranking in order the products with the highest contribution per unit of limiting factor first. ✓
Profits built up when demand is high, ✓ can help cushion the company when demand and profits are low ✓
It will be possible to build up inventory when demand is low ✓ as the product is not perishable. ✓

Case Against not producing all of the product range

Customers may be annoyed that there is a waiting time for the order. ✓ This is especially applicable for small building/repair jobs ✓ which have not planned a schedule in advance. ✓ Work may have to stop on the job, whilst supplies are awaited. ✓
The customer may decide to look elsewhere for supplies. ✓ They may not return to Acorn. ✓
The customer may be looking to buy similar products/ products in the same product range. ✓

Maximum of 4 marks for arguing one side.

Conclusion – 2 marks

Not producing all of the product range may/may not be a good idea.

(8)

Total for Question 7 = 32 marks