



National
Qualifications

X800/76/01

Accounting

Marking Instructions

Please note that these marking instructions have not been standardised based on candidate responses. You may therefore need to agree within your centre how to consistently mark an item if a candidate response is not covered by the marking instructions.



General marking principles for Higher Accounting

Always apply these general principles. Use them in conjunction with the specific marking instructions, which identify the key features required in candidates' responses.

- (a) Always use positive marking. This means candidates accumulate marks for the demonstration of relevant skills, knowledge and understanding; marks are not deducted for errors or omissions.
- (b) If a candidate response does not seem to be covered by either the principles or specific marking instructions, and you are uncertain how to assess it, you must seek guidance from your team leader.
- (c) Always follow through consequentiality subsequent to a calculative error and give credit for any errors in subsequent calculations or working.
- (d) Mark scored out or erased working which has not been replaced, where still legible. However, if the scored out or erased working has been replaced, mark only the work which has not been scored out.
- (e) For **outline** questions, candidates must make a number of brief statements appropriate to the question asked. These may include facts, features or characteristics.

Up to the total mark allocation for this question

- award **1 mark** for each accurate statement

- (f) For **distinguish** questions, candidates must demonstrate knowledge of the differences between things, features, methods or choices. This does not need to be a comparative sentence.

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- (g) For **explain** questions, candidates must make a number of points which relate cause and effect and/or make relationships between things clear, for example by showing connections between a process/situation. These may include theoretical concepts. There is no need to prioritise the reasons.

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- award **1 mark** for each accurate explanation
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- (h) For **describe** questions, candidates must make a number of relevant factual points, which may be characteristics and/or features, as appropriate to the question asked. These points may relate to a concept, process or situation. Candidates may provide a number of straightforward points or a smaller number of developed points, or a combination of these.

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		Current Accounts					
		Donnelly		23,344 *			
		Scott		27,600 *			
		Cahill		10,756 *(1)			
					61,700		
					378,400		
		Revaluation reserve			20,000	(1)	
					398,400		
		Headings, arithmetic and no extraneous (1)					
	(h)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased equity is introduced to the business (1) • More expertise or specialist knowledge (1) • Workload can be shared (1) • May allow expansion of the business (1) • Eliminates competition when skills and resources are combined (1) 				2	

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(b)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sell preference shares where a fixed dividend is received in return for investing in the company (1) • Sell ordinary shares in return for a share of the profits in the form of a variable dividend (1) a successful year means high dividend/poor year no or low dividend (1) • Debentures - issue of loan/with fixed annual interest (1) 	3																																											

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				Input			Output			Balance				
				Qty	CPU	Value	Qty	CPU	Value	Qty	CPU	Value		
				Opening WIP	500	1·20	600·00			500		600·00		(1)
				Materials	1,500	0·50	500·00			1,000		1,100·00		
				Labour			5,200·00					6,300·00		(1)
				Variable Overheads			800·00					7,100·00		
				Fixed Overheads			1,040·00					8,140·00		(1)
				Normal Loss				75	0·20	15·00	1,425		8,125·00	(1)
				Closing WIP				425		2,125·00	1,000	6·00	6,000·00	(1)
				Good Output				900	6·00*	5,400·00	100		600·00	
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			Bhuvan plc			
		Profit for Year before finance cost and taxation	£1,750,000			
		Less Debenture Finance Cost	£150,000	(1)		
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		Less Corporation tax (25%)	£400,000	(1)		
		Profit for Year after taxation	£1,200,000			
		Less Preference Dividends (8%)	£200,000	(1)		
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(ii)		Profit available to Ordinary Shareholders	£1,000,000		2	All or nothing.
		Retained Profit (60%)	£600,000			
		Total dividend paid to ordinary shareholders	£400,000	(2)		

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	(iii)	<p>Total percentage dividend to be paid to shareholders</p> $\frac{\text{Total dividend paid}}{\text{Ordinary Share Equity}} \times 100 = \frac{£400,000}{2,000,000} \times 100$ <p style="text-align: center;">20% (1)</p>	1	
	(iv)	<p>Ordinary Dividend per share = Total dividend paid/number of ordinary shares</p> $\frac{£400,000}{4,000,000}$ <p>Ordinary dividend per share 10p (1)</p>	1	
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(d)	(i)	<p>Price Earnings Ratio x Earnings per Share 7.4 times x 25p</p> <p>Market Price per share £1.85 (1)</p>	1	
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