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| Question |   |           | Answer     | Marks |
| 1(a)(i)  |   | \$        |            | 4     |
|          | draft   | 78 000    |            |       |
|          | sale or return goods                              | 8 000     | (1)        |       |
|          | adj for net realisable value<br>[-27 +18.2 - 4.1] | (12 900)  | (1)        |       |
|          | import duties                                     | 3 500     | (1)        |       |
|          | inventory   | 76 600    | (1)OF      |       |
| 1(a)(ii) |   | \$        |            | 2     |
|          | opening inventory                                 | 85 000    |            |       |
|          | purchases   | 1 317 000 |            |       |
|          | import duties                                     | 30 000    | (1)        |       |
|          | closing inventory                                 | (76 600)  |            |       |
|          | cost of sales                                     | 1 355 400 | (1)OF      |       |

| Question |  |          |       | Answe     | •     | Marks |  |  |
|----------|--|----------|-------|-----------|-------|-------|--|--|
| 1(b)     | GH plc Income statement for the year ended 30 June 2020. |          |       |           |       |       |  |  |
|          |  | \$       |       | \$        |       |       |  |  |
|          | Revenue 1980–20  |          |       | 1 960 000 | (1)   |       |  |  |
|          | Cost of sales  |          |       | 1 355 400 | (1)OF |       |  |  |
|          | Gross profit   |          |       | 604 600   |       |       |  |  |
|          | Other income   |          |       | 6 300     | (1)   |       |  |  |
|          | Distribution costs                                       | 167 700  | W1    |           |       |       |  |  |
|          | Administrative expenses                                  | 424 100  | W2    |           |       |       |  |  |
|          |  |          |       | 591 800   |       |       |  |  |
|          | Profit from operations                                   |          |       | 19 100    | •     |       |  |  |
|          | Finance charges  |          |       | 49 000    |       |       |  |  |
|          | Loss for the year  |          |       | 29 900    | (1)OF |       |  |  |
|          | W1 – distribution  |          |       |           |       |       |  |  |
|          |  | \$       |       |           |       |       |  |  |
|          | draft  | 186 500  |       |           |       |       |  |  |
|          | import duties  | (30 000) | (1)   |           |       |       |  |  |
|          | export duties  | 7 200    | (1)   |           |       |       |  |  |
|          | impairment loss  | 4 000    | (1)   |           |       |       |  |  |
| 1        |  | 167 700  | (1)OF |           |       |       |  |  |

| Question | Answer   | Marks |
|----------|--|-------|
| 1(b)     | W2 – administrative  |       |
|          | \$   |       |
|          | draft 391 000  |       |
|          | provision for doubtful debts 3 000 <b>W3</b>   |       |
|          | add back other income 6 300 (1)  |       |
|          | provision for legal fees 31 000 (1)  |       |
|          | export duties(7 200)(1)  |       |
|          | 424 100 (1) <b>OF</b>  |       |
|          | W3 – provision for doubtful debts  |       |
|          | <b>\$</b>  |       |
|          | draft trade receivables (194 + 6) 200 000  |       |
|          | less sale or return (20 000) (1)   |       |
|          | 180 000  |       |
|          | at 5% 9 000 <b>(1)OF</b>   |       |
|          | less opening provision (6 000)   |       |
|          | 3 000 <b>(1)OF</b>   |       |
| 1(c)     | With a probability of more than 50% at present this requires a provision (1) which lowers profit and increases curr liabilities (1).  If the probability was less than 50% it would be a contingent liability (1) which would be recorded by a note to the accounts (1). |       |

| Question |   |   |  | Ans   | wer            |   | Marks |  |  |
|----------|---|---|--|---|----------------|---|-------|--|--|
| 2(a)     | RX Sports Receipts and payments account for the year ended 31 December 2019                         |   |  |   |                |   |       |  |  |
|          |   | \$  |  |   | \$             |   |       |  |  |
|          | Balance b/d   | 1 420   | (1)  | Trade payables                              | 8 600          | W4  |       |  |  |
|          | Subscriptions   | 14 700  | W1   | Computer                                    | 2 800          | W5  |       |  |  |
|          | Disposal of club equipment  | 4 700   | W2   | Rent  | 5 500          | W6  |       |  |  |
|          | Trade receivables   | 16 260  | W3   | Staff costs                                 | 9 640          | W7  |       |  |  |
|          |   |   |  | Other costs                                 | 1 320          | (1)   |       |  |  |
|          |   |   | _  | Balance c/d                                 | 9 220          | _   |       |  |  |
|          |   | 37 080  | _  |   | 37 080         | _   |       |  |  |
|          | Balance b/d   | 9 220(  | 1)OF                                       |   |                |   |       |  |  |
|          | W2 (7 200 - 3 100<br>W3 14 800 + (5 20<br>W4 9 950 + (1 560<br>W5 (1 900 ÷ 0.25<br>W6 6 000 × 11/12 | 0) <b>(1)</b> + 600<br>00 - 3 740)<br>0 - 2 910) <b>(</b><br>) <b>(1)</b> - 4 800 | = \$4<br>(1) =<br>1) = \$<br>0 = \$2<br>1) | \$16 260 <b>(1)OF</b><br>8 600 <b>(1)OF</b> | 0 <b>(1)OF</b> |   |       |  |  |
|          | 9 800 - 100 -   | - ψυ υπυ (1)  |  |   |                |   |       |  |  |
| 2(b)     | Only the receipts and Only the income and   | payments a<br>expenditure<br>expenditure  | acco                                       | unt contains non-cash                       | n items. (1)   | en adjusted for prepayments and accruals. (1) | 3     |  |  |

| Question | Answer  | Marks |
|----------|---|-------|
| 2(d)     | Cash flow  Making all sales on a cash basis would mean the money is received earlier hence improving cash flow. (1)  However, the trade receivables collection period is 93 days (1) which is less than the trade payables payment period of 107 days (1) which means that the cash flow issue should not be a problem (1). It can be assumed that the club has negotiated special terms with suppliers to allow for the payments by instalments which might cease if credit sales were stopped. (1)  There has been a considerable increase in the funds of the club during the year and therefore it seems likely that there is no need to make this change in order to improve cash flow. (1)OF  Surplus/deficit  Allowing members to pay in instalments involves a lot of administration and if this was stopped then cost savings might arise. (1)  Members might be put off making purchases and the sales of the club might fall. (1)  Given that trade receivables have been falling and inventory has been increasing it is possible that the club is already finding it more difficult to make sales. (1)  The profit from these sales makes up more than a quarter of the income of the club and this could be jeopardised. (1)  The club is already making a deficit and this could be increased by the change. (1) | 5     |
|          | Accept other valid points   |       |
|          | Max (2) for cash flow, Max (2) for surplus/deficit plus (1) mark for decision   |       |

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| Question | Answer  | Marks |
|----------|---|-------|
| 3(a)     | It is a profitable business. (1) The premises are in a good location. (1) There is a strong customer base. (1) The business has a good reputation. (1) The employees are well trained and efficient. (1) Accept other valid points Max 3  | 3     |
| 3(b)     | cash (1) shares (1) debentures/loan stock (1)   | 3     |
| 3(c)     | The profit sharing ratio is 1:1 (1) and Arthur will have received 50% of the profit on realisation (1). The correct distribution of the purchase consideration depends on whether the partners contributed equally to the business (1) as shown by their capital accounts (1) and whether they withdrew resources equally from the business/taken equal amounts as drawings (1) as shown by their current accounts (1). Decision (1) (1) for Decision plus max (4) for comments | 5     |
| 3(d)     | Depreciation provided had been inadequate (1). The partnership had failed to provide for an impairment loss (1). VC plc had undervalued it during the negotiations for the purchase of the partnership (1). Accept other valid points Max 2   | 2     |
| 3(e)(i)  | 300 000 (1) – 261 350 (1) = 38 650 (1) <b>OF</b>  | 3     |
| 3(e)(ii) | 261 350 (1) – 209 410 (1) = 51 940 (1) <b>OF</b>  | 3     |
| 3(f)     | The profit on realisation would be shared equally (1) Arthur and Belinda would gain \$25 970 each (1)OF   | 2     |
| 3(g)     | The statement of financial position of a limited company does not show an account for each shareholder/owner (1) and therefore the gain has to be recorded in total (1).  The statement of financial position of a partnership does show an account for each partner/owner (1) and so each partner can be credited with his/her share of the gain. (1)  | 4     |

| Question |  |          |                     | Answer            | ŗ     |             | Marks |  |  |
|----------|--|----------|---------------------|-------------------|-------|-------------|-------|--|--|
| 4(a)     | PM Limited Schedule of non-current assets for the year ended 31 March 2020 |          |                     |                   |       |             |       |  |  |
|          |  | Premises | Plant and machinery | Motor<br>vehicles | Total |             |       |  |  |
|          |  | \$000    | \$000               | \$000             | \$000 |             |       |  |  |
|          | Cost   |          |                     |                   |       |             |       |  |  |
|          | At 1 April 2019  | 900      | 405                 | 198               | 1 503 | (1)row      |       |  |  |
|          | Additions  |          | 117                 | 76                | 193   | (1)row      |       |  |  |
|          | Disposals  |          |                     |                   | (136) | _ (1)row    |       |  |  |
|          | At 31 March 2020   | 900      | 430                 | 230               | 1 560 | _ (1)OF row |       |  |  |
|          | Depreciation   |          |                     |                   |       |             |       |  |  |
|          | At 1 April 2019  | 72       | 184                 | 103               | 359   | (1)row      |       |  |  |
|          | Charge for the year  | 18       | 107                 | 46                | 171   | (1)row      |       |  |  |
|          | Eliminated on disposal   | -        |                     |                   | (81)  | _ (1)row    |       |  |  |
|          | At 31 March 2020   | 90       | 245                 | 114               | 449   | _ (1)OF row |       |  |  |
|          | Net book value<br>At 31 March 2020   | 810      | 185                 | 116               | 1 111 | }(1)OF row  |       |  |  |
|          |  |          |                     |                   |       | }           |       |  |  |
|          | At 1 April 2019  | 828      | 221                 | 95                | 1 144 | _ }         |       |  |  |

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|----------|---|-----------|--------|-------------------------|---|-------|
| Question |   |           |        | Ans                     | wer   | Marks |
| 4(b)     | description   | \$000     |        | section                 |   | 10    |
|          | depreciation charge   | 171       | (1)    | operating activities    | (1)   |       |
|          | loss on disposal  | 29        | (1)    | operating activities    | (1)   |       |
|          | profit on disposal  | 10        | (1)    | operating activities    | (1)   |       |
|          | proceeds from sale of non-current assets  | 36        | (1)    | investing activities    | (1)   |       |
|          | cost of purchases of non-current assets   | 193       | (1)    | investing activities    | (1)   |       |
| 4(c)     | The accumulated deprecent the cost (1).   | ciation o | n the  | premises would be car   | ncelled (1) and the remainder of the gain would be added to | 2     |
| 4(d)     | There would be no effect  | (1) as a  | a reva | luation does not involv | re any movement of funds (1).                               | 2     |
| 4(e)     | Delivery (1) Installation (1) Legal fees (1) Import duties (1) Accept other valid poin Max2 | ıts       |        |                         |   | 2     |

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| Question |   | Answer               | Marks |
|----------|---|----------------------|-------|
| 5(a)     | \$  |                      | 6     |
|          | direct material 20                            | }                    |       |
|          | direct labour 12                              | <b>}(1)</b>          |       |
|          | production overhead 18                        | (1)                  |       |
|          | selling and distribution overhead 10          | (1)                  |       |
|          | total unit cost 60                            |                      |       |
|          | mark up 20                                    | (1)OF                |       |
|          | selling price 80                              | (1)OF                |       |
| 5(b)     | Production overheads                          |                      | 12    |
|          |   | \$                   |       |
|          | machine set up costs $$50 (1) \times 350$     | 17 500 <b>(1)OF</b>  |       |
|          | quality inspection costs $$12 (1) \times 400$ | 4 800 · <b>(1)OF</b> |       |
|          | order processing costs $$10 (1) \times 770$   | 7 700 <b>(1)OF</b>   |       |
|          | \$ 10 (1) \(\frac{1}{2}\)                     | 30 000               |       |
|          |   |                      |       |
|          | \$  |                      |       |
|          | direct material 30                            | }                    |       |
|          | direct labour 20                              | <b>}(1)</b>          |       |
|          | production overhead 30                        | (1)OF                |       |
|          | selling and distribution overhead 10          | (1)OF                |       |
|          | total unit cost 90                            |                      |       |
|          | mark up 30                                    | (1)OF                |       |
|          | selling price 120                             | _                    |       |

| Question | Answer  | Marks |
|----------|---|-------|
| 5(c)     | Overheads may not be fully variable which could result in the overhead cost per unit being somewhat overstated. (1) Costs for the same activity may not turn out to be quite the same for two different versions. (1) There is a need for market research to determine the level of demand for the deluxe version. (1) There is a need to establish what competitors are charging for a similar version. (1) Accept other valid points  Max 2 | 2     |
| 5(d)     | Halving the number of quality inspections would save money (1) – \$3 000 for the standard version and \$2 400 for the deluxe version (1).  The quality of the goods sold could fall with fewer inspections (1) which could result in a loss of reputation (1) or a fall in the number of units sold (1).  Decision (1)  Accept other valid points (1) for decision plus max (2) for comments  | 3     |
| 5(e)(i)  | one of the activities undertaken in the making of a product which results in a cost being incurred (1)  | 1     |
| 5(e)(ii) | a (memorandum) account which records the cost of each of these activities (1)   | 1     |

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| uestion |   |   |  |                                 | Answer  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------|---|---|--|---------------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| 6(a)    | Advantages  May enable costs to be managed better (1)  Helps in preparing budgets and forecasts (1)  May increase staff motivation if targets are achievable (1)  Facilitates variance analysis (1) |   |  |                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|         |   | dard costin<br>be applicab<br>based on e<br>points    | g system ca<br>le if there an<br>estimates <b>(1</b> ) | an be expe<br>re one off j<br>) | ensive and difficult (1) lobs and irregular processes (1) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6(b)    | Max & Illains for au  | ivanitages t  | alia ivian E i   | Hairs IVI                       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6(b)    |   | master  | flexed   |                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6(b)    |   | master<br>budget                                      | budget   |                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6(b)    | revenue   | master  |  | (1)                             |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6(b)    | revenue direct materials  | master<br>budget                                      | budget<br>\$   |                                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6(b)    |   | master<br>budget<br>\$<br>180 000                     | \$ 187 500   | (1)                             |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6(b)    | direct materials  | master<br>budget<br>\$<br>180 000<br>24 000           | \$ 187 500<br>25 000                                   | (1)                             |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6(b)    | direct materials direct labour  | master<br>budget<br>\$<br>180 000<br>24 000<br>36 000 | \$ 187 500 25 000 37 500                               | (1)<br>(1)<br>(1)               |   |  |  |  |  |  |

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| Question |   |                                 |                             | Answer  | Mark |
|----------|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|------|
| 6(c)     |   | \$                              |                             |   |      |
|          | revenue from master                                 | 180 000                         | (1)OF                       |   |      |
|          | sales volume variance                               | 7 500                           | (1)                         |   |      |
|          | sales price variance                                | (6 250)                         | (1)                         |   |      |
|          | actual revenue                                      | 181 250                         | (1)                         |   |      |
| 6(d)     | Variance  | Revise                          | ed value(\$)                |   |      |
|          | Sales volume variance (1) 30 000                    |                                 | F (1)                       |   |      |
|          | Sales price variance (1) 28 000                     |                                 | A (1)                       |   |      |
| 6(e)     |   | nare (1).<br>n per unit foution | rom \$5 per<br>n \$60 000 ( | unit to \$3 per unit (1), so it would still make a positive contribution (1).  1) to \$42 000 (1) and hence total profit would fall (1).  Ising could be tried (1). |      |
|          | Accept other valid points Max (4) for comments plus |                                 | culations of                | f total contribution plus <b>(1)</b> for decision   |      |

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