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JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION, 2007

BUSINESS STUDIES – HIGHER LEVEL – PAPER I

WEDNESDAY, 13 JUNE 2007 – MORNING, 9.30am – 12.00 noon

SECTION A

(80 marks)

Answer all 20 questions. Each question carries 4 marks.

Calculators may be used.

Make and Model of Calculator Used:



1. Tick (✓) whether the following forms of communication are Oral, Written or Visual:

FORM OF COMMUNICATION	ORAL	WRITTEN	VISUAL
Telephone calls			
Report			
Bar Chart			
Radio			

2. The following initials relate to income and expenditure. What do they stand for?

PRSI	
PAYE	
VAT	
DIRT	

3. Outline **two** reasons why market research is important to a business:

(i) _____

(ii) _____

4. Answer *either* (A) or (B):

(A) Enter the following transaction in the Sales Day Book of Harty Ltd:

On 8 June 2007, Harty Ltd sold goods on credit to Petrol Ltd (Invoice No. 26) for €45,000. The VAT rate on these goods is 21%.

Harty Ltd – Sales Day Book						
Date	Details	Inv No.	F	Net €	VAT €	Total €

OR

(B) Outline **two** reasons for Sales Returns:

(i) _____

(ii) _____

5. Explain the term **Utmost Good Faith** in relation to insurance:

6. **Column 1** is a list of legal documents. **Column 2** is a list of statements which can be matched to these documents. (*One statement does not refer to any of the documents.*)

Column 1 – Documents	Column 2 – Statements
1. Certificate of Incorporation	A. A document declaring that the tax situation in a company is in order
2. Articles of Association	B. A document stating that the directors agree to follow the rules of company law
3. Memorandum of Association	C. A document setting out the internal rules of a company
4. Declaration of Compliance	D. A document setting out the external rules of a company
	E. A document known as the birth certificate of a company

Match the two lists by placing the letter of the most appropriate statement under the relevant number below:

1.	2.	3.	4.

7. Explain the term **Chain of Distribution**:

8. (i) What do the initials **GNP** stand for?

- (ii) GNP in 2005 was €900 million. In 2006, it was €954 million.

Calculate the rate of economic growth from 2005 to 2006:
(Show your workings.)

Answer:

Workings:

9. Complete and balance the Creditors Control Account on 30 April 2007 from the following information:

	€
Opening balance on 1 April 2007	400
Total credit purchases for April	8,600
Total payments to creditors during April	6,600

Creditors Control Account					
Dr					Cr
Date	Details	€	Date	Details	€

OR (Alternative Format)

Creditors Control Account				
Date	Details	Dr	Cr	Balance
		€	€	€

10. Use your knowledge of Industrial Relations to complete the following sentences:

A _____ is an organisation set up by employees to improve their interests. The employees elect a _____ to represent them.

11. Complete the Profit & Loss Appropriation Account by filling in the **three** unshaded areas, numbered (i) to (iii), from the following information:

Authorised Share Capital	€600,000
Issued Share Capital	€400,000
Dividends declared	10%

Profit & Loss Appropriation Account for year ending 31-05-2007		
		€
Net Profit		150,000
Less Dividends		(i)
(ii)		(iii)

12. Distinguish between a **post-dated cheque** and a **stale cheque**:

13. Kevin purchases an item on eBay for £36 Sterling. He goes to the bank to change his euro into a sterling draft and sees the following rates quoted on a display board:

CURRENCY	BANK SELLS	BANK BUYS
Sterling	0.64	0.72

Calculate the total amount in euro that Kevin will pay for £36 Sterling:
(Show your workings.)

Answer:
€

Workings:

14. List **two** factors that a company would take into account before deciding on a suitable delivery system for goods:

(i) _____

(ii) _____

15. (i) Enter the following balances in the partially completed General Journal of Finner Ltd:

1 January 2007	Premises	€120,000
	Creditor: Power Ltd	€8,000

- (ii) Calculate the Ordinary Share Capital:

Finner Ltd – General Journal				
Date	Details	F	Dr	Cr
			€	€
	Bank	CB1	13,000	
	Premises	GL1		
	Creditor: Power Ltd	CL1		
	Ordinary Share Capital	GL2		
	Assets, Liabilities and Share Capital of Finner Ltd on this date.			

16. Complete the following Balance Sheet extract by filling in the **four** unshaded areas, numbered **(i)** to **(iv)**:

Balance Sheet (extract) as on 31-12-2006			
Fixed Assets	Cost	Depreciation	Net Book Value
	€	€	€
Vehicles	30,000	2,000	(i)
Buildings	(ii)	7,900	132,100
	(iii)	9,900	(iv)

17. Complete the following extract from a credit note:

	€
Total (excluding VAT)	
Trade Discount 25%	
Subtotal	300.00
VAT 12.5%	
Total (including VAT)	

18. Complete the sentence below by selecting the **two** correct terms from the following list:

Debtor	Creditor	Delivery Note	Credit Note	Statement
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A firm purchases goods on credit from a _____ and receives a document at the end of the month called a _____.

19. Answer *either* (A) *or* (B):

(A) (i) Calculate the unit price for **each** of the following boxes of cereal:

SIZE	PRICE	WEIGHT	UNIT PRICE
SMALL	€1.58	400 g	
MEDIUM	€2.70	750 g	
LARGE	€3.90	1 kg	

Workings:

(ii) Which size represents the best value for money?

OR

(B) Explain the term **False Economy**:

20. On 17 February 2007, Margaret Burke bought goods on credit from Ann Harte for €2,100. There was no VAT chargeable on these goods.

Complete the following ledger accounts of Margaret Burke showing the names of the accounts and the relevant details, numbered (i) to (iv):

(i) _____ A/c

Dr			Cr		
Date	Details	€	Date	Details	€
2007 Feb 17	(ii)	2,100			

(iii) _____ A/c

Dr			Cr		
Date	Details	€	Date	Details	€
			2007 Feb 17	(iv)	2,100

For use with Section B – Question 1 (A)

GALVIN HOUSEHOLD	ORIGINAL BUDGET				REVISED BUDGET			
	JULY	AUG	SEPT	TOTAL	JULY	AUG	SEPT	TOTAL
	€	€	€	€	€	€	€	€
PLANNED INCOME								
Mr Galvin – Salary	1,500	1,500	1,500	4,500				
Ms Galvin	1,120	1,120	1,120	3,360				
Child Benefit	160	160	160	480				
Other								
TOTAL INCOME	2,780	2,780	2,780	8,340				
PLANNED EXPENDITURE								
<i>Fixed</i>								
Mortgage	800	800	800	2,400				
Loan Repayments	400	400	400	1,200				
Car Insurance	65	65	65	195				
Subtotal	1,265	1,265	1,265	3,795				
<i>Irregular</i>								
Household Costs	750	750	750	2,250				
Car Costs	150	150	150	450				
Light & Heat Costs	245		190	435				
Telephone Costs	50	50	140	240				
Subtotal	1,195	950	1,230	3,375				
<i>Discretionary</i>								
Entertainment Costs	200	200	200	600				
Presents	300		250	550				
Holiday			5,000	5,000				
Subtotal	500	200	5,450	6,150				
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	2,960	2,415	7,945	13,320				
Net Cash	(180)	365	(5,165)	(4,980)				
Opening Cash	500	320	685	500				
Closing Cash	320	685	(4,480)	(4,480)				

For use in answering Section B – Question 1 (B)
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(i) In the Original Budget, name a month in which planned income is greater than planned expenditure.	For Office Use Only	
Answer:		

(ii) In the Original Budget, by how much did the Galvin household expect to overspend in the three months?		
Answer: €		

(iii) Give one reason why the repayments on the mortgage might increase.		
Reason:		

(iv) Is the Revised Budget a good one?	YES		<i>(Please tick appropriate box.)</i>		
	NO				
Give two reasons for your answer.					
Reason 1:					
Reason 2:					

For use with Section B – Question 5 (A) (i)

Bank of Ireland CURRENT ACCOUNT APPLICATION FORM				
PERSONAL DETAILS				
Surname		Mr, Mrs, Ms.		
First Name		Male/Female		
Home Address				
Date of Birth		<i>Please tick appropriate box. ➡</i>	Married	
Country of Birth			Single	
EMPLOYMENT DETAILS				
Occupation				
Employer's Name & Address				
Gross salary per month				
Length of time in your present employment				
Will your income be paid into your bank account?	YES		(Please tick appropriate box.)	
	NO			
CONTACT DETAILS				
Home Telephone Number				
Mobile Phone Number				
e-mail address				
Please open a Current Account in my name. I certify the accuracy of the information given above.				
SIGNATURE		DATE		

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SECTION B

(160 marks)

- All questions carry equal marks.
- Attempt any **FOUR** questions.
- Marks will be awarded for layout and presentation including, where appropriate, folios and dates.
- Dates should show the day, month and year.
- Calculators may be used.

1. **This is a Household Budget Question.**

Answer all parts of this question:

- (A) On page 9 of Section A is an Original Budget and a Revised Budget form for the Galvin household from July to September 2007. After preparing the Original Budget, Mr Galvin changed jobs and his salary increased. However, Ms Galvin lost her job in the local factory after it closed down in June. The Galvin household decided to revise their Budget due to the changed circumstances.

You are required to complete the Revised Budget, taking the following into account:

- Mr Galvin's annual salary will be €25,800 net payable monthly. He also expects to receive a bonus of €1,000 net in September.
- Ms Galvin will receive €660 net monthly in unemployment benefit.
- The Galvins will sell one of their two cars and expect to receive €6,800 for it in August.
- Mortgage repayments will increase by 8% from 1 September 2007.
- The Galvin household will make one loan repayment in July and will repay the balance of the loan, €3,500, in August.
- Car insurance will reduce by €30 per month from 1 August 2007.
- Household costs will reduce by 12% per month from 1 July 2007.
- Car costs will reduce to €70 per month from 1 August 2007.
- Entertainment costs will be reduced by 50%.
- Due to their changed circumstances, the holiday planned for September will be postponed.
- All other income and expenditure will remain the same.

(28)

- (B) (i) In the Original Budget, name a month in which planned income is greater than planned expenditure. (*Answer in the space provided on page 10 of Section A.*)
- (ii) In the Original Budget, by how much did the Galvin household expect to overspend in the three months? (*Answer on page 10 of Section A.*)
- (iii) Give **one** reason why the repayments on the mortgage might increase. (*Answer on page 10 of Section A.*)
- (iv) Is the Revised Budget a good one?
Give **two** reasons for your answer. (*Answer on page 10 of Section A.*)

(12)

(40 marks)

2. **This is a Club Account Question.**

Answer all parts of this question:

On 1 June 2006, Greenfield Golf Club had an Accumulated Fund of €305,770.

The following is a summary of the Club's financial transactions for the year ended 31 May 2007:

Receipts:	€
Competition Fees	34,400
Subscriptions	89,550
Annual Sponsorship	17,650
Payments:	€
Repairs	1,850
Stationery	2,460
Wages	27,800
Competition Expenses	6,200
Insurance	1,440
General Expenses	25,000

Additional information at 31 May 2007:

- (i) Subscriptions prepaid €1,450
- (ii) Stationery on hand €240
- (iii) Wages due €2,400
- (iv) Cash at Bank €15,620
- (v) Depreciation:
 - Clubhouse 2% of €252,000
 - Equipment 15% of €115,000

(A) Prepare:

- (i) An Income and Expenditure Account for the year ended 31 May 2007.
- (ii) A Balance Sheet as at 31 May 2007.

(31)

(B) Explain **three** functions of a club treasurer.

(9)

(40 marks)

3.

This is a National Budget and Economic Awareness Question.

Answer all parts of this question:

(A) The following figures were produced by the Government on Budget Day for the year 2007:

Summary of Revenue and Expenditure	Projected Figures in millions €
Capital Income	5,961
Capital Expenditure	5,812
Current Income	2,621
Current Expenditure	1,910

- (i) From the above information, draft the National Budget for 2007, clearly indicating whether it is a Surplus or Deficit Budget. Show your workings.
- (ii) Identify **two** examples of Current Income for the Government.
- (iii) Identify **one** example of Capital Income for the Government.

(18)

(B) (i) It is Government policy to increase spending on motorways throughout the country.

Explain **two** economic benefits and **one** economic drawback of this policy.

(ii) During 2007, many households will have to decide what will be done with money saved under the Government's SSIA (Special Savings Incentive Account) scheme.

(a) Household 'X' plans to invest the money for their five-year-old child's third level education.

Identify **two** types of financial institution where the household may invest the money.

(b) Household 'Y' plans either to buy a new car or build a house extension.

Explain the opportunity cost of deciding to buy the car.

(c) Household 'Z' plans to spend the money on a foreign holiday.

Outline **one** effect that this would have on the Balance of Payments.

(18)

(C) 'Ireland has a mixed economic system.'

Explain the above statement.

(4)

(40 marks)

4. **This is a Consumer Question.**

Answer all parts of this question:

John and Laura Ryan live at 16 Allen View, Rahan, Co. Offaly. They booked a family holiday costing €1,200 with Sunshine Travel Ltd, Newtown Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly for a week in Greece from 1 June 2007 to 8 June 2007. The holiday brochure clearly stated that the beach was five minutes walk from their apartment.

On arrival at their apartment, the Ryans discovered that the closest beach was five kilometres away. They were very disappointed.

- (A) (i) Name the consumer law that applies in this situation.
- (ii) State the relevant principle of consumer law that has been broken. (6)

- (B) (i) On 11 June 2007, after they returned home, Laura Ryan wrote a letter of complaint to the Manager of Sunshine Travel Ltd requesting suitable redress.

Write the letter that Laura Ryan sent to Sunshine Travel Ltd.

- (ii) On 12 June 2007, Sunshine Travel Ltd contacted Laura requesting proof of payment for the holiday.

Give **two** methods that the Ryans could have used in paying for the holiday. (24)

- (C) If the Ryans are dissatisfied with the response, there are agencies who can assist them.

Name **two** such agencies and explain **one** service offered by each. (10)

(40 marks)

5. **This is a Personal Banking Question.**

Answer all parts of this question:

Andy Mullen, who will be 25 years of age on 28 August 2007, lives at 28 Finbarr Road, Newbridge, Co. Kildare (his native county). His home telephone number is 045-633712 and his mobile phone number is 087-7867855. His e-mail address is andymullen@matteng.ie. He is not married.

On 1 June 2007, Andy commenced full-time employment as an engineer with Matthews Engineering Ltd, Main Street, Newbridge, Co. Kildare. His gross salary is €36,000 per year, payable monthly. His PPSN (Personal Public Service Number) is 3967892F.

As his new employer wants to pay his salary by Paypath, he has decided to open a Current Account. On 8 June 2007, he calls into the local branch of Bank of Ireland and completes an application form.

- (A) (i) Complete the blank application form *on page 11 of Section A*.
- (ii) Name **three** legal requirements that must be satisfied when opening a bank account.
- (iii) Outline **two** differences between a current account and a deposit account.
- (iv) Andy has been informed that he can request an overdraft.
- (a) Explain what an overdraft means.
- (b) Identify **three** requirements that Andy must satisfy before the bank will grant him an overdraft.
- (30)

- (B) Andy is considering borrowing money to buy a car.
- (i) Identify **two** suitable sources of finance available to him for this purpose.
- (ii) Outline **two** rights he would have as a borrower.
- (10)

(40 marks)

6. **This is a People at Work Question.**

Answer all parts of this question:

Margaret Farrell has recently become self-employed as an accountant. She has employed Anne Power who has an expertise in ICT (Information and Communications Technology). Anne has recommended the purchase of suitable hardware and software for use in the business and by clients.

- (A) (i) Outline **two** rewards for Margaret of being self-employed.
- (ii) Explain **two** risks of being self-employed.
- (iii) Outline **three** responsibilities Anne Power has to her employer.
- (iv) Explain the difference between hardware and software.
Identify **two** examples of each.

(30)

- (B) The following information is available about Anne Power's earnings:

- Her basic wage is €792 for a 36-hour week.
- Overtime is paid at time-and-a-half for the first ten hours and double-time for work in excess of that.
- She pays income tax (PAYE) at the rate of 41% and PRSI at 8%.
- Her annual tax credits are €3,640.

Anne worked a total of 48 hours in the week ending 8 June 2007.

Calculate her net wage for that week. Show your workings.

(10)

(40 marks)

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