



General Certificate of Secondary Education
2024

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Business Studies

Unit 1

Starting a Business

MV24

[GBU11]

TUESDAY 14 MAY, AFTERNOON

Time

1 hour 30 minutes, plus your additional time allowance.

Instructions to Candidates

Write your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided at the top of this page.

You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.

Do not write on blank pages.

Complete in black ink only.

Answer **all three** questions.

Information for Candidates

The total mark for this paper is 90.

Figures in brackets printed at the end of the questions indicate the marks awarded to each question or part question.

Quality of written communication will be assessed in Questions **2(f)** and **3(e)(ii)**.

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Answer **all** questions

1 Marcus and Matthew opened their restaurant fourteen years ago in Omagh, called Taste Sensation.

(a) (i) The brothers are very enterprising.

Describe what it means to be enterprising. [2 marks]

(ii) Explain **two** reasons why Marcus and Matthew may have started their business, Taste Sensation.

[4 marks]

(b) (i) What type of business ownership is Taste Sensation? [1 mark]

(ii) Explain **two** advantages of this type of business ownership to Marcus and Matthew. [4 marks]

(c) The government is keen to encourage enterprise.

Analyse **one** reason why the government is keen to encourage Marcus and Matthew in their enterprise. [3 marks]

(d) Marcus and Matthew use a social enterprise business for their recycling.

(i) Explain the term social enterprise.
[2 marks]

(ii) Analyse how a social enterprise business could deliver an economic output. [3 marks]

(e) Marcus and Matthew plan to grow Taste Sensation through franchising and want to locate the new franchise in Belfast.

(i) Explain **two** factors that may influence the location of the new franchise in Belfast. [4 marks]

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2 Marketing is an essential element for Taste Sensation to be successful.

(a) Explain the term marketing mix.
[2 marks]

(b) Identify **two** pricing policies that Taste Sensation could use to price the food in their restaurants. [1 mark for each]

1. _____

2. _____

(c) Promotion, using local radio, has been very successful for Marcus and Matthew.

Explain the legal constraints on promotion by the Office of Communications (Ofcom).

[4 marks]

(d) Marcus and Matthew are planning on using e-business for Taste Sensation.

(i) Explain the term e-business.
[2 marks]

(ii) Analyse **two** advantages for Taste Sensation of using e-business.
[6 marks]

Advantage 1 _____

Advantage 2 _____

(f) Competition from other restaurants is a concern for Marcus and Matthew.

Analyse the impact that competition has on the marketing mix for Taste Sensation. [8 marks]

Product _____

Price _____

Place _____

Promotion _____

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3 (a) Explain the following terms:

(i) Secondary production [2 marks]

(ii) Division of labour [2 marks]

(iii) Job manufacturing [2 marks]

(iv) Customer Service Excellence Standard [2 marks]

(b) Identify the most appropriate method of manufacturing for making the following food items at Taste Sensation:
[1 mark for each]

Food items to be made in Taste Sensation	Method of manufacturing
A number of apple and cinnamon tarts for Sunday's dessert menu	
A white sauce for a specific fish dish	
A special meal for a customer who has a number of food allergies	

(c) Marcus and Matthew are aiming to achieve a quality standard which would focus on the people who work in the business and the need to invest in their training and development. Its purpose would be to benefit the employees, which would then improve the performance of the business.

(i) Identify the quality standard which Taste Sensation is aiming to achieve.
[1 mark]

(ii) Analyse **one** reason why Taste Sensation would undertake the process of obtaining a quality standard. [3 marks]

(e) Taste Sensation is required by law to comply with Health and Safety legislation to keep everyone in its restaurants safe and free from injury.

(i) Identify **two** Health and Safety rights and responsibilities of the employees at Taste Sensation.

[1 mark for each]

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2. _____

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