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INTERNATIONAL A-LEVEL BUSINESS

Unit 4: Business Decision Making

Friday 12 January 2024

07:00 GMT

Time allowed: 1 hour 45 minutes

Materials

For this paper you must have:

- the insert (enclosed)
- a calculator, which you are expected to use where appropriate.

Instructions

- Use black ink or black ball-point pen.
- Fill in the boxes at the top of this page.
- Answer **all** questions.
- You must answer the questions in the spaces provided.
Do not write outside the box around each page or on blank pages.
- If you need extra space for your answer(s), use the lined pages at the end of this book. Write the question number against your answer(s).
- All working must be shown.
- Do all rough work in this book. Cross through any work you do not want to be marked.
- You may **not** use an English dictionary.

Information

- The marks for questions are shown in brackets.
- The maximum mark for this paper is 80.

Advice

- You may use a bilingual dictionary.

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Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

A public limited company (plc) has experienced a fall in profits in recent years. Its shareholders believe the ineffective leadership style of the Chief Executive is the reason for this.

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Section B

Answer **all** questions in the spaces provided.

Read the **case study** in the **insert booklet** and then answer the questions.

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Using **Table 1**, calculate the new gearing ratio for Min plc if \$200 million is borrowed to finance the takeover.

Give your answer to **one** decimal place.

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Explain **one** impact of technological change on Min plc.

[3 marks]

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0 6Using **Table 2**, calculate the Average Rate of Return the takeover is forecast to achieve.**[4 marks]**

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Explain how an ageing population might affect the demand for surgical robots.

[3 marks]

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Using the information from the case study, write a report to the management of Min plc. In the report you should:

- analyse the benefits to Min plc of the takeover of Sung Healthcare Ltd
- analyse the problems that the takeover of Sung Healthcare Ltd may cause Min plc
- with reference to your analysis, recommend whether Min plc should proceed with the takeover of Sung Healthcare Ltd. You should justify your recommendation.

Analyse the benefits to Min plc of the takeover of Sung Healthcare Ltd.

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With reference to your analysis, recommend whether Min plc should proceed with the takeover of Sung Healthcare Ltd. You should justify your recommendation.

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