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| Question number | Answer AO2 |  |  |  | Mark |
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| 1(a)(i) | Materials <br> Labour <br> Overheads (V) <br> Overheads (F) | $\begin{aligned} & 2.25 \times 7.00= \\ & 17100 / 1200= \end{aligned}$ | Margin \$27.50 \$15.75 \$2.50 \$45.75 | (1) <br> (1 of) | (2) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) |  | Mark |  |
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| $\mathbf{1 ( a ) ( i i )}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Materials | $2.25 \times 7.00=$ | $\$ 27.50$ |  |
|  | Labour |  |  |  |
|  | Overheads (V) |  |  |  |
|  | Overheads (F) | $17100 / 1200=$ | $\$ 2.75$ |  |
|  |  |  | $\$ 14.25$ | (1) |
|  |  | $\$ 60.00$ | (1of) | (2) |



| Question <br> number | Answer AO3 (2) | Mark |
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| $\mathbf{1 ( c )}$ | Answers may include <br> The difference in profit figures is due to the difference in closing inventory <br> valuations (1) - the valuation under absorption costing is $\$ 3420$ (of) greater <br> than that under marginal costing which is the same as the difference in the <br> profit (\$33 600 against $\$ 30$ 180) (10f) | The difference in profit figures is due to the difference in closing inventory <br> valuations (1) - marginal costing values the remaining 240 suits at $\$ 45.75$ <br> each while absorption costing values them at $\$ 60.00$ each (10f) |
| Absorption costing gives a higher closing inventory figure than marginal <br> costing (1) which reduces the cost of sales and increases Net Profit (1) <br> Absorption costing includes all costs whether fixed or variable in its valuation <br> of inventory whereas marginal costing only includes the variable costs (1) <br> which reduces the cost of sales and increases Net Profit (1) <br> Maximum 2 marks | (2) |  |

Total for Question 1 = 16 marks

| Question <br> number | Answer AO1 (1) | Mark |
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| 2(a)(i) | Answers may include: <br> Material price (favourable): lower quality of material, surpluses on (world) <br> markets, changes in exchange rates, bulk discounts | (1) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO1 (1) | Mark |
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| 2(a)(ii) | Answers may include: <br> Material use (favourable): higher quality of materials, higher quality of <br> staff, less wastage, few production problems | (1) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO1 (1) | Mark |
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| 2(a)(iii) | Answers may include: <br> Labour efficiency (favourable): fewer production problems, higher quality <br> of staff, highly motivated staff |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
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| $\mathbf{2 ( b ) ( i ) ~}$ | Variance must be correctly stated favourable or adverse <br> Labour efficiency <br> $(3231-3065)(\mathbf{1}) \times 8.00=\mathbf{\$ 1} \mathbf{3 2 8}$ Fav (1) | (2) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2(b)(ii) | Variance must be correctly stated favourable or adverse <br> Labour rate <br> $(8.00-8.40)(\mathbf{1}) \times 3,065=\mathbf{\$ 1} \mathbf{2 2 6}$ Adv (1) | (2) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{2 ( b ) ( i i i ) ~}$ | Variance must be correctly stated favourable or adverse <br> Fixed overhead expenditure <br> Budgeted Overheads $=2925 \times 12.00=\mathbf{\$ 3 5} \mathbf{1 0 0}$ (1) <br> Expenditure variance $=35100-36750-\mathbf{\$ 1} \mathbf{6 5 0}$ Adv (1) |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2(b)(iv) | Variance must be correctly stated favourable or adverse <br> Fixed overhead volume <br> $12.00 \times(3231-2925)(\mathbf{1})=\$ 3 \mathbf{6 7 2}$ Fav (1) <br> Or <br> $5.40 \times(7180-6500)(\mathbf{1})=\$ \mathbf{3 6 7 2}$ Fav (1) |  |


| Question number | Answer AO2 (3) |  |  |  |  | Mark |
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| 2(c) | Candidates may decide to flex the overhead costs. |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Materials | $30156 \mathrm{~kg} \times 5.10=$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Fixed } \\ \$ 153795.60 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Flexed } \\ \$ 153795.60 \end{gathered}$ | (1) |  |
|  | Labour | 3231 hours $\times 8.00=$ | \$25 848.00 | \$25 848.00 | (1) |  |
|  | Overheads |  | \$35 100.00 |  |  |  |


| Question number | Answer AO2 (2) |  |  | Mark |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2(d)(i) | Candidates may have decided to flex the overhead costs in 2(c). |  |  | (2) |

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\text { number }\end{array}
$$ \& Answer AO2 (2) \& \& Mark <br>
\hline \mathbf{2 ( d ) ( i i )} \& Actual Profit \& \$ 240530.00 <br>
\& Revenue (1)for both \& <br>

\& Actual cost \& \$ 210006.00\end{array}\right\}\) (1of) | Actual profit |
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| Question number | Answer AO2 (6) |  |  | Mark |
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| 2(e) | Candidates may have decided to flex the overhead costs in 2(c). |  |  |  |
|  |  | Fixed |  |  |
|  | Budgeted Profit | 25786.40 |  |  |
|  | Material price | 4470.00 | (1) |  |
|  | Material use | 1815.60 | (1) |  |
|  | Labour rate | (1 226.00) | (10f) |  |
|  | Labour efficiency | 1328.00 | (10f) |  |
|  | Overhead expenditure | (1650.00) | (10f) |  |
|  | Actual Profit | 30524.00 | (10f) |  |
|  | (1 of) for both profit fig |  |  |  |
|  |  | Flexed |  |  |
|  | Budgeted Profit | 22114.40 |  |  |
|  | Material price | 4470.00 | (1) |  |
|  | Material use | 1815.60 | (1) |  |
|  | Labour rate | (1 226.00) | (10f) |  |
|  | Labour efficiency | 1328.00 | (10f) |  |
|  | Overhead expenditure | (1650.00) | (10f) for both |  |
|  | Overhead volume | 3672.00 |  |  |
|  | Actual Profit | 30524.00 | (10f) |  |
|  | (10f) for both profit figures |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | (6) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (4) |  |  | Mark |  |  |
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| 3(a)(i) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Product D | Product E | Product F | Total |  |
|  | Contribution | 165000 | 75000 | 120000 | 360000 |  |
|  | Revenue | 300000 | 150000 | 300000 | 750000 |  |
|  | C/S Ratio | $55 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $48 \%$ |  |
|  |  | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ | $\mathbf{( 1 )}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | $\mathbf{( 4 )}$ |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3(a)(ii) | Break-Even Revenue Turnover $=\$ 270000 / 48 \%$ (1of) $=\mathbf{\$ 5 6 2 5 0 0}$ (1of) | (2) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3(a)(iii) | Margin of Safety (\$) $=750000-562500=\mathbf{\$ 1 8 7} \mathbf{5 0 0}$ (1of) |  |
|  | Margin of Safety $(\%)=\frac{\$ 187500}{\$ 750000} \times 100=\mathbf{2 5 . 0 0 \%}$ (1of) | (2) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 3(a)(iv) | Budgeted Profit $=\$ 360000-\$ 270000$ (1of) $=\mathbf{\$ 9 0} \mathbf{0 0 0}$ (1of) |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO1 (2) AO3 (2) | Mark |
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| 3(b) | Answers may include: 1 mark for point made, $\mathbf{1}$ mark for development <br> It is assumed that the number of units sold of each product is correct (1) - <br> changes in product-mix will change the break-even revenue and margins of <br> safety (1) <br> It is assumed that selling prices or variable cost per unit will not change as <br> output increases (1) - this would change the contribution of the products and <br> therefore the break-even point and profitability (1) | It is assumed that total fixed costs will not change as output increases (1) - <br> this would change the break-even point and profitability (1) |
| It is assumed that increases in sales of Product E will not reduce sales of <br> Product D or F (1) - this would harm the overall profitability of the business <br> (1) | (4) |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO3 (6) | Mark |
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| 3(c) | Marks to be awarded for the following: <br> (1) for an appropriate title that includes 'break-even chart' in it <br> (1) for appropriately labelled vertical axis (\$) and horizontal axis (units) <br> (1) for correctly plotted total cost line <br> (1) for correctly plotted revenue line <br> (1) for correctly positioned and labelled break-even point (5 500 units) <br> (1) for appropriately labelled margin of safety (2 500 units) | (6) |



| Question number | Answer AO2 (7) AO4 (3) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Mark |
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| 4(a) | Award 1 AO4 mark for each apportionment of joint costs |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | kg | \$ |  |  | kg | \$ |  |  |
|  | Material A | 700 | 4200 | (1) | Product X | 300 | 3168 |  |  |
|  | Material B | 500 | 4300 | both | Product Y | 420 | 3548 | (5) |  |
|  | Labour |  | 1400 | (1) | Product Z | 340 | 5744 |  |  |
|  | Overheads |  | 2600 | both | $\begin{aligned} & \text { By-Prod } \\ & \mathrm{Q} \end{aligned}$ | 60 | 240 | (1) |  |
|  | Disposal |  | 200 | (1) | Norm Loss | 80 | 0 | (1) |  |
|  |  | 1200 | 12700 |  |  | 1200 | 12700 |  |  |
|  | Disposal cost <br> Credit side: <br> Sales proceed <br> Product $X=$ <br> Product $Y=$ <br> Product $Z=$ <br> Apportionme <br> Product $X=$ <br> Product $Y=$ <br> Product $Z=$ | 80 kg <br> Costs $\begin{aligned} & x \$ 25 \\ & \times \$ 20 \\ & \times \$ 40 \end{aligned}$ <br> of joint <br> 500 / 2 <br> 400 / 2 <br> 600 / | $\$ 2.50=$ <br> 12700 <br> \$7 500 <br> \$8 400 <br> \$13 600 <br> sts: <br> 500) $\times \$ 1$ <br> 500) x \$1 <br> 500) $x$ | 200 240 Total 460 460 12460 | $12460 \text { (1) }$ <br> \$29 500 ( <br> \$3 168 (1 <br> \$3 548 (1) <br> = \$5 744 (1) |  |  |  | (10) |


| Question number | Answer AO3 (2) AO4 (2) | Mark |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 4(b) | Answers might include: <br> - Restrict access to parts of the system (1) - this will ensure that only management have access to the most sensitive parts of the system (1) <br> - Change passwords regularly (1) - this will ensure that passwords are less usable by non-authorised staff or those no longer needing access (1) <br> - Password protect information (1) - so that it cannot be accidentally written over or changed (1) <br> - Back up information (1) - to reduce the likelihood of it being deleted or corrupted (1) <br> - Introduce log-in / log-out procedures (1) - this will reduce likelihood of computers displaying sensitive information when unattended (1) | (4) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO4 (3) AO5 (3) <br> $\mathbf{4 ( c )}$ <br> Answers may include <br> Positive factors: <br> The various parts of the system use specialist software (1) which may produce <br> information in the form that it is required (1) or may produce information <br> quickly (1) <br> Negative factors: <br> Information may need to be copied from one part of the system to another (1) <br> and this will slow down the production of reports (1) and introduce errors (1) <br> Different versions of the same information may be stored in different parts of <br> the systems (1) and this may lead to confusion or errors (1) that causes poor <br> decisions to be made (1) <br> Maximum 4 marks for arguing one side <br> Conclusion : system will or will not produce information that is accurate and up-to <br> date (1) | Mark |
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| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (1) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{5 ( a ) ( \mathbf { i } )}$ | Reorder level $=6 \times 90=\mathbf{5 4 0} \mathbf{~ k g ~ ( 1 ) ~}$ | (1) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5(a)(ii) | Minimum level $=540-(4 \times 60)(\mathbf{1 o f})=\mathbf{3 0 0} \mathbf{~ k g ~ ( 1 o f ) ~}$ |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (1) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5(a)(iii) | Reorder quantity $=4000-300=\mathbf{3} \mathbf{7 0 0} \mathbf{~ k g ~ ( 1 o f ) ~}$ |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{5 ( a ) ( i v )}$ | Average Inventory $(\mathrm{kg})=300+(3700 / 2)(\mathbf{1 o f})=\mathbf{2 1 5 0} \mathbf{~ k g ~ ( 1 o f )}$ |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (1) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{5 ( a ) ( v )}$ | Average Inventory (\$) $=2150 \mathrm{~kg} \times \$ 9.60$ per $\mathrm{kg}=\mathbf{\$ 2 0} \mathbf{6 4 0}$ (1of) |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO1 (1) | Mark |
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| $\mathbf{5 ( b )}$ | $E O Q=\sqrt{ } \frac{2 c d}{h}$ | (1) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO1 (4) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5(c) | Holding costs - these are the costs associated with the storage of inventory (1) - <br> examples might include: Rental of space, heat \& light, staff, depreciation of <br> equipment, security staff, security equipment, financial costs (interest, money tied <br> up), wastage, theft (1) | Ordering costs - these are the costs associated with placing an order for <br> inventory (1) - examples might include. Time of person placing the order, <br> telephone costs, postage, delivery costs (1) |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (1) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{5 ( d ) ( \mathbf { i } )}$ | Standard hours production $=61180 / 20=\mathbf{3} \mathbf{0 5 9}$ hours (1) |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5(d)(ii) | Efficiency: $(3059 / 2670)(\mathbf{1 o f}) \times 100=\mathbf{1 1 4 . 5 7 \%}$ (1of) |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (3) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{5 ( d ) ( \text { iii) }}$ | 16 workers $\times 175=2800$ hours (1) |  |
|  | Capacity: $(2670 / 2800) \mathbf{( 1 )} \times 100=\mathbf{9 5 . 3 6 \%}$ (1) |  |


| Question <br> number | Answer AO2 (2) | Mark |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 5(d)(iv) | Volume: (3 $059 / 2800)$ (1of) $\times 100=\mathbf{1 0 9 . 2 5 \%}$ (1of) |  |

Total for Question 5 = 20 marks

