

## PRESBYTERIAN HIGH SCHOOL

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| PRINCIPLES OF ACCOUNTS<br>PAPER 1 |  |
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### 2024 SECONDARY FOUR EXPRESS / FIVE NORMAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

No Additional Materials are required.

### **READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS FIRST**

Write your name, index number and class the spaces at the top of this page.

Write in dark blue or black pen.

You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.

Do not use staples, paper clips, glue or correction fluid.

The use of an approved calculator is allowed.

DO NOT WRITE ON ANY BARCODES.

### Answer all questions.

The businesses described in this question paper are entirely fictitious.

The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.

### Answer all questions.

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1. Janice imports hand-embroidered cushion covers from China to sell at her store. On 12 July 2023, she received the following invoice from Si Yun Pte. Ltd.

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| 2 000 sets of cushion covers   | 4 500 |
| Freight, insurance and customs | 100   |
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### In addition, Janice paid for the following:

- Packing of cushion covers into gift boxes \$300 i)
- ii) Design of gift box by Art student \$100
- iii) Promotion pamphlets \$150

### REQUIRED

(a) Calculate the cost of this batch of inventory.

Janice provided the following information on her inventory for the month of August 2023.

| Date     |                                    | Quantity<br>(pieces) | Cost<br>(\$) | Selling<br>price<br>(\$) |
|----------|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| August 1 | Unsold cushion covers              | 800                  | 2 400        | -                        |
| 4        | Cushion covers bought on<br>credit | 1 000                | 2 770        | -                        |
| 10       | Cushion covers bought for<br>cash  | 2 000                | 2 500        | -                        |
| 12       | Cushion covers sold on credit      | 800                  | -            | 4 500                    |
| 17       | Cushion covers imported            | 3 000                | 8 100        | -                        |
| 22       | Cushion covers sold for cash       | 3 000                | -            | 12 000                   |

Janice uses First-in, First-out inventory management.

### REQUIRED

(b) Calculate the cost of sales for the month of August 2023.

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| (c) | On 31 August 2023, a fire took place at Janice's store. She discovered that one-third of her inventory was damaged and had to be discarded. The balance of cushion covers had to be repacked at a cost of \$200. She was still able to sell them for \$6 000.<br><b>REQUIRED</b><br>Using an accounting theory, explain how inventory should be valued. <b>TUDIO</b> | [2] |
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(d) Prepare journal entries to record the impairment loss on inventory on 31 August 2023. Narration is not required.

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Janice made a claim against the insurance company on 1 September 2023. The insurance company agreed to pay Janice \$1 000 for the loss in October 2023.

### REQUIRED

(e) Prepare journal entries to account for the insurance claim. Narration is not required.

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(f) State how profit for the month of August would be affected by the fire and insurance claim.

Janice shared the following information provided by her accountant.

| Year-ended                 | 30 June 2022 | 30 June 2023 | 30 June 2024 |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Rate of inventory turnover | 10.8 times   | 9.6 times    | 8.8 times    |

### REQUIRED

(g) (i) Comment on the above trend of rate of inventory turnover.

(ii) State one measure Janice can take to improve the rate of inventory turnover.

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2. The following cash at bank account was extracted from Juliana's books.

| Cash                          | at Ban | k account |       | ľ (   | 7         |
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|                               | C      | heque     | Dr    | Cr    | Balance 1 |
| 2024                          | ុក     | umber     | (\$)  | (\$)  | (\$) ;    |
| Apr 1 Balance b/d             | •      | •         | ΜΔΤ   | HST   | 420 Cr    |
| 8 'Trade payable – Joel       |        | 1224      |       | 1 000 |           |
| 11 Sales revenue              |        |           | 2 500 | I     |           |
| 16 Rent expense               |        | 1225      |       | 1 800 | 1         |
| 20 , Trade receivable - Jolin | :      |           | 840   |       | 1         |
| 25 Inventory                  | ,      | 1226      | -     | 640   | 1         |
| 28 Trade receivable – Jim     |        |           | 420   | Ì     |           |
| 30 Equipment                  |        | _1227 _   |       | 1 200 |           |

On 2 May 2024, Juliana received the bank statement below.

| 2024                            | ; | Withdrawal<br>(\$) | Deposits<br>(\$) | Balance<br>(\$) |
|---------------------------------|---|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Apr 1 Balance b/d               |   |                    |                  | 1 000 Cr        |
| 2 Cheque 1222                   | , | 1 420              |                  | 420 Dr '        |
| 5 Direct debit: Utilities bills | 1 | 330 ່              |                  | 750 Dr          |
| 9່Cheque 1224                   |   | 1 000 '            |                  | 1 750 Dr        |
| 11 Cash deposited               |   |                    | 2 500            | 750 Cr          |
| 20 ' Direct credit: Commission  |   |                    | 200              | 950 Cr '        |
| 24 Cheque deposited             |   |                    | 840              | 1 790 Cr        |
| 28 Cheque returned              | i | 840                |                  | 950 Cr          |
| 28 Bank interest                | ł | ÷ 1                | 20               | 970 Cr          |
| 29 Cheque 1226                  | ' | 640                | -                | 330 Cr          |

### REQUIRED

(a) Update the cash at bank account and bring the balance to May 1, 2024.

| Cash at Bank account |             |       |       |            |
|----------------------|-------------|-------|-------|------------|
| Date                 | Particulars | Dr \$ | Cr \$ | Balance \$ |
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(b) Prepare a bank reconciliation statement as at 30 April 2024 to reconcile the balances in bank statement and updated cash at bank. [4]

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The bookkeeper calculated the profit for the year to be \$13 200 prior to performing bank reconciliation.

### REQUIRED

(c) Calculated the profit after performing bank reconciliation.

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Bank reconciliation is a form of internal control to safeguard the asset of a business.

### REQUIRED

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(d) Explain another purpose of internal control.

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Joshua provided the following information on his business performance for the year ended 30 June 2024. 3

|     |                     | Sales revenue<br>Sales returns<br>Cost of sales<br>Expenses incurred for the year<br>Equity on 1 July 2023<br>Equity on 30 June 2024 | \$<br>280 000<br>191 406<br>51 060<br>100 000<br>110 300 |
|-----|---------------------|--|--|
| (a) | REQUIR<br>Calculate | ED<br>a the following, leaving your answer   | s to <b>two</b> decimal places                           |
|     | (i)                 | Mark-up on cost  |  |
|     |                     |  |  |
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|     | (ii)                | Profit margin  |  |
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(iii) Returns on equity [1]

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Joshua provided the past two years' profitability ratios.

| Year ended        | 30 June 2022 | 30 June 2023 |
|-------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Mark-up on cost   | 48.66%       | 46.38%       |
| Profit margin     | 13.88%       | 13.03%       |
| Returns on equity | 30.54%       | 31.06%       |

### REQUIRED

(b) Comment on the profitability trend of Joshua's business. -----(d) Suggest one way Joshua can improve the returns on equity.

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4. Josephine included her credit sales revenue as her income even though the customers have yet to pay for the goods delivered.

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### REQUIRED

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(a) Using an accounting theory, explain if Josephine has correctly reported her sales revenue.

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Besides selling inventory, Josephine earns a 10% commission based on sales of potted plants belonging to Jeremy. She provided the following information relating to the commission income for the year ended 30 June 2024.

- 2023
- July 1 Commission earned but not received, \$500.

Dec 28 Jeremy paid Josephine commission of \$1 800 via bank transfer. 2024

Jun 12 Jeremy paid Josephine commission of \$1 440 via bank transfer.

Jun 30 The sales of potted plants for the year ended 30 June 2024 was \$30 000.

### REQUIRED

(b) Prepare journal entries to record the above and close the commission income for the year ended 30 June 2024. Narrations are not required.

Journal

| Date         | Particulars                   | Dr \$ | Cr \$ |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-------|-------|
| 2.23         |                               |       |       |
| <b>Tul 1</b> | Commission income             | 500   |       |
|              | -Commission income receivable |       | 500   |
| Dec 78       | Cash at bank                  | 1800  |       |
|              | Commission in IOMR            |       | 1200  |
| 2024         |                               |       |       |
| Janie        | lash ar bank                  | 1440  |       |
|              | (ommission income             |       | 1440  |
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## **ANSWER SCHEME**

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### Answer all questions.

- Janice imports hand-embroidered cushion covers from China to sell at her store. On 12 July 2023, she received the following invoice from Si Yun Pte. Ltd.
   2 000 sets of cushion covers
   4 500 Freight, insurance and customs
   100
   In addition, Janice paid for the following:

   Packing of cushion covers into gift boxes \$300
   Design of gift box by Art student
   \$150

   REQUIRED
- (a) Calculate the cost of this batch of inventory.

| Cost of cushion covers         | 4 500       |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Freight, insurance and customs | 100         |
| Packing cost                   | 300         |
| Design of gift box             | 100         |
| Total cost of inventory        | \$5 000 [1] |

Janice provided the following information on her inventory for the month of August 2023.

| Date     |                                    | Quantity<br>(pieces) | Cost<br>(\$) | Selling<br>price (\$) |
|----------|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| August 1 | Unsold cushion covers              | 800                  | 2 400        | -                     |
| 4        | Cushion covers bought on<br>credit | 1 000                | 2 770        | -                     |
| 10       | Cushion covers bought for<br>cash  | 2 000                | 2 500        | -                     |
| 12       | Cushion covers sold on credit      | 800                  | -            | 4 500                 |
| 17       | Cushion covers imported            | 3 000                | 8 100        | -                     |
| 22       | Cushion covers sold for cash       | 3 000                | -            | 12 000                |

Janice uses First-in, First-out inventory management.

### REQUIRED

(b) Calculate the cost of sales for the month of August 2023.

| Date                | Cost of sales (\$) |            |
|---------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Aug 12              | 2 400              | Marking 1m |
| Aug 22              | 2 770              | working Im |
|                     | 2 500              |            |
| Total cost of sales | <b>\$7 670</b> [1] |            |

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On 31 August 2023, a fire took place at Janice's store. The salvaged cushion covers had to be repacked at a cost of \$200. She was still able to sell them for \$6 200.

REQUIRED

Using an accounting theory, explain how inventory should be valued. (c)

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Based on prudence theory [1], inventory should be valued at lower of cost and net

realizable value, to prevent overstatement of assets and profit [1].

Prepare journal entries to record the impairment loss on inventory on 31 August 2023. (d) Narration is not required. Net realizable value = Selling price less cost of repacking

= \$6200 - 200

= \$6000

Impairment loss on inventory = Cost less Net realizable value

= 8100 - 6000

=\$2100

Journal

| Date   | Particulars                  | Dr \$ | Cr \$ |
|--------|------------------------------|-------|-------|
| 2023   |                              |       |       |
| Aug 31 | Impairment loss on inventory | 2 100 |       |
|        | Inventory                    |       | 2 100 |

Double entry [1m]; amount [1m]

Janice made a claim against the insurance company on 1 September 2023. The insurance company agreed to pay Janice \$1 000 for the loss in October 2023.

### REQUIRED

Prepare journal entries to account for the insurance claim. Narration is not required. (e)

| Date  | Particulars                      | Dr \$ | Cr \$ |
|-------|----------------------------------|-------|-------|
| 2023  |                                  |       |       |
| Sep 1 | Insurance claim receivable [1]   | 1 000 |       |
|       | Impairment loss on inventory [1] |       | 1 000 |
|       |                                  |       |       |

Journal

State how profit for the month of August would be affected by the fire and insurance (f) claim.

Profit will be reduced by \$1 100 [1]

Janice shared the following information provided by her accountant.

| Year-ended                 | 30 June 2022 | 30 June 2023 | 30 June 2024 |
|----------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Rate of inventory turnover | 10.8 times   | 9.6 times    | 8.8 times    |

### REQUIRED

- (g) (i) Comment on the above trend of rate of inventory turnover. Any two comments [1m each]:

1. The rate of inventory turnover had worsened over the three years.

2. Janice's inventory replenishment had slowed down.

3. The inventory took a longer time to be sold [from 33.8 days to 41.48 days]

ii) State one measure Janice can take to improve the rate of inventory turnover. [1] Any one [1m]

- 1. Janice may hold less inventory on hand.
- 2. Janice may want to increase sales of inventory through marketing strategies e.g. giving trade discount to encourage buying

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2. The following cash at bank account was extracted from Juliana's books.

|       | Cash a                   | t Bank account |       |         |          |
|-------|--------------------------|----------------|-------|---------|----------|
|       |                          | Cheque         | Dr    | Cr ¦    | Balance  |
| 2024  |                          | number         | (\$)  | (\$)    | (\$)     |
| Apr 1 | Balance b/d              |                | ΜΔΤ   | HSTL    | 420 Cr   |
| 8     | Trade payable – Joel     | 1224           |       | 1 000   |          |
| 11 '  | Sales revenue            |                | 23500 | -       |          |
| 16    | Rent expense             | 1225           |       | 1 800 🕻 |          |
| 20    | Trade receivable - Jolin |                | 840   |         |          |
| 25    | Inventory                | 1226           |       | 640 i   |          |
| 28    | Trade receivable - Jim   |                | 420   | -       |          |
| 30    | Equipment                | 1227           |       | 1 200 ີ | 1 300 Cr |
|       |                          |                |       |         | •        |

On 2 May 2024, Juliana received the bank statement below.

| 2024  |                               | Withdrawal<br>(\$) | Deposits<br>(\$) | Balance<br>(\$) |
|-------|-------------------------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Apr 1 | Balance b/d                   |                    |                  | 1 000 Cr ՝      |
| 2     | Cheque 1222                   | <del>1-420</del>   | 1                | 420 Dr          |
| 5     | Direct debit: Utilities bills | 330                | ł                | 750 Dr          |
| 9     | Cheque 1224                   | 1 000              | 1                | 1 750 Dr        |
| 11    | Cash deposited                |                    | 2 500            | 750 Cr          |
| 20    | Direct credit: Commission     |                    | 200 <sup>!</sup> | 950 Cr 1        |
| 24    | Cheque deposited              |                    | 840              | 1 790 Cr ່      |
| 28    | Cheque returned               | 840                | 1                | 950 Cr          |
| 28    | Bank interest                 |                    | 20               | 970 Cr          |
| 29    | Cheque 1226                   | 640                | t                | 330 Cr ,        |
|       |                               |                    | -                | -               |

### REQUIRED

(a) Update the cash at bank account and bring the balance to May 1, 2024.

Cash at Bank account

| Dete   |                                |       |      |            |  |
|--------|--------------------------------|-------|------|------------|--|
| Date   | Particulars                    | Dr \$ | Cr\$ | Balance \$ |  |
| 2024   |                                |       |      |            |  |
| Apr 30 | Balance b/d [1]                |       |      | 1 300 Cr   |  |
| 30     | Utilities                      |       | 330  | 1 630 Cr   |  |
| 30     | Commission [1]                 | 200   |      | 1 430 Cr   |  |
| 30     | Jolin (dishonoured cheque) [1] |       | 840  | 2 270 Cr   |  |
| 30     | Bank interest [1]              | 20    |      | 2 250 Cr   |  |
| 2024   |                                |       |      |            |  |
| May 1  | Balance b/d                    |       |      | 2 250 Cr   |  |
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(b) Prepare a bank reconciliation statement as at 30 April 2024 to reconcile the balances in bank statement and updated cash at bank. [5]

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| Balance per bank statement [1]                   |       | 330   |
| Add: Deposit in transit                          |       |       |
| Trade receivable – Jim [1]                       |       | 420   |
|  |       | 750   |
| Less: Cheques not yet presented                  |       |       |
| Rent expense (Cheque 1225) [1]                   | 1 800 |       |
| Equipment (Cheque 1227) [1]                      | 1 200 |       |
|  |       | 3 000 |
| Balance per updated cash at bank (overdraft) [1] |       | 2 250 |

The bookkeeper calculated the profit for the year to be \$13 200 prior to performing bank reconciliation.

### REQUIRED

(c) Calculated the profit after performing bank reconciliation.

Revised profit = profit before bank reconciliation - utilities + commission + bank interest

= 13 200 - 330 +200 + 20 [1]

= \$13 090 [1]

Bank reconciliation is a form of internal control to safeguard the asset of a business.

### REQUIRED

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| (d) | Explain another purpose of internal control.          | [1] |
|-----|---|-----|
|     | Any one of the following, 1m                          |     |
|     | <ol> <li>To adhere to laws and regulations</li> </ol> |     |

2. Ensure accuracy in recording

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Joshua provided the following information on his business performance for the year ended 30 June 2024. 3 

|                    |  | \$                   |
|--------------------|--|----------------------|
|                    | Sales revenue  | 280 000              |
|                    | Sales returns  | MATH S <b>7000</b> 0 |
|                    | Cost of sales  | 191 406              |
|                    | Expenses incurred for the year                             | 51 060               |
|                    | Equity on 1 July 2023                                      | 100 000              |
|                    | Equity on 30 June 2024                                     | 110 300              |
| REQUIF<br>Calculat | RED<br>te the following, leaving your answer to <b>two</b> | decimal places       |
| (i)                | Mark-up on cost<br>= [Gross Profit / Cost of sales] X 100  |                      |

- = [(280000-4000) 191 406] / 191 406 X 100
- = [ 84 594 / 191 406 ] X 100
- = 44.20%

(a)

(iii)

- (ii) Profit margin = [ Profit / Net Sales Revenue ] X 100
  - = [ (84 594 51 0600) / 276 000] X 100
  - = 33 534 / 276 000 X 100
  - = 12.15%
  - Returns on equity

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- = [ Profit / Average Equity ] X 100
- = 33 534 / [(100 000+110300)/2] X 100
- = 31.89%

### Joshua provided the past two years' profitability ratios.

| Year ended  | <u>30 June 2022</u>        | 30 June 2023               | <u>30 June 2024</u>        |
|---|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Mark-up on cost<br>Gross profit margin<br>Profit margin | 48.66%<br>32.73%<br>13.88% | 46.38%<br>31.68%<br>13.03% | 44.20%<br>30.65%<br>12.15% |
| Returns on equity                                       | 30.54%                     | 31.06%                     | 31.89%                     |

### REQUIRED

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(b) Comment on the profitability trend of Joshua's business.

Any 5 points, 1m each

|     | 1.     | The mark-up on cost has worsened over the three years from 48.66% to             |
|-----|--------|--|
|     |        | 44.20%. Each dollar investment in inventory is bringing in less gross profit.    |
|     |        | Or Business was earning less from each dollar of inventory. In 2022, every       |
|     |        | dollar of inventory earned the business 48.66 cents gross profit but in 2024, it |
|     |        | has reduced to just 44.20 cents.   |
|     | 2.     | The lower mark-up on cost over the years might be due to higher cost of          |
|     |        | inventory which was not fully transferred to the customers or Joshua has         |
|     |        | lowered his selling price of inventory.  |
|     | 3.     | The profit margin has worsened over the three years from 13.88% to 12.15%.       |
|     |        | Each dollar of net sales revenue brings in less profit.                          |
|     |        | OR_ each dollar of net sales revenue earned the business 13.88 cents profit in   |
|     |        | 2022 but it has decreased to just 12.15 cents profit in 2024.                    |
|     |        |  |
|     | 4.     | The lower profit margin was due to the lower mark-up on cost.                    |
|     | 5.     | The returns on equity, however, showed an improving trend, increasing from       |
|     |        | 30.54% to 31.89%. Each dollar investment has brought in more returns in          |
|     |        | 2024 compared to the last two years.   |
|     | 6.     | The mark-up on cost showed a downward trend.                                     |
|     | 7.     | The profit margin showed a downward trend.                                       |
|     |        |  |
| (c) | Sugge  | est one way Joshua can improve the returns on equity.                            |
| • • | Any 1. | .1m  |
|     | 1.     | Joshua can increase profit for the year by increasing gross profit through       |
|     |        | better gross profit margin or cutting its expenses.                              |
|     | 2.     | Joshua can consider generating other income e.g. rental from subletting his      |
|     |        | premises or invest excess funds to earn interest or dividends.                   |
|     | 3.     | Joshua can reduce his equity balance by reducing his capital if it doesn't       |
|     |        | affect business operation.   |

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4. Josephine included her credit sales revenue as her income even though the customers have yet to pay for the goods delivered.

### REQUIRED

a) Using an accounting theory, explain if Josephine has correctly reported her sales revenue.

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Based on revenue recognition theory [1], revenue is recognized upon delivery of goods or provision of services. In this case, Josephine can record the revenue since the goods are delivered [1].

Besides selling inventory, Josephine earns a 10% commission based on sales of potted plants belonging to Jeremy. She provided the following information relating to the commission income for the year ended 30 June 2024.

2023

July 1 Commission earned but not received, \$500.

Dec 28  $\,$  Jeremy paid Josephine commission of \$1 800 via bank transfer. 2024  $\,$ 

Jun 12 Jeremy paid Josephine commission of \$1 440 via bank transfer.

Jun 30 The sales of potted plants for the year ended 30 June 2024 was \$30 000.

### REQUIRED

(b) Prepare journal entries to record the above and close the commission income for the year ended 30 June 2024. Narrations are not required.

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|------------|----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Date       | Particulars                      |       | Dr \$ | Cr \$ |
| 2023       |                                  | <br>ר |       |       |
| Jul 1      | Commission income                | H 1m  | 500   |       |
|            | Commission income receivable     |       | J     | 500   |
| Dec 28     | Cash at bank                     |       | 1 800 |       |
|            | Commission income                |       |       | 1 800 |
| 2024       |                                  | 1 1m  |       |       |
| Jun 12     | Cash at bank                     | L     | 1 440 |       |
|            | Commission income                | J     |       | 1 440 |
| Jun 30     | Commission income receivable     |       | 260   |       |
|            | Commission income                |       |       | 260   |
| Jun 30     | Commission income [10% X 30 000] | ]     | 3 000 |       |
|            | Income summary                   | 1m    |       | 3 000 |

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| Land and building at cost   | 280 000                       |
| Office equipment at cost  | 80 000                        |
| Motor vehicles at cost  | 90 400                        |
| Accumulated depreciation<br>- Land and building<br>- Office equipment<br>- Motor vehicles | 35 000<br>12 000<br>14 600    |
| Sale of non-current assets  | 280                           |
| Sales revenue   | 526 900                       |
| Cost of sales   | 378 400                       |
| Wages and salaries  | 39 500                        |
| Utilities expense   | 10 400                        |
| Insurance expense   | 4 200                         |
| Motor vehicle repairs   | <del>3</del> -84 <del>0</del> |
| Rent received   | 2 000                         |
| Inventory   | 26 980                        |
| Trade payables  | 18 500                        |
| Trade receivables   | 25 300                        |
| Allowance for impairment of trade receivables   | 1 000                         |
| Cash at bank  | 4 660                         |
| Dividends   | 5 000                         |
| Retained earnings on 1 June 2023  | 18 400                        |
| Share capital, 300 000 ordinary shares  | 320 000                       |

The following balances were extracted from the books of Jessica Pte. Ltd.

### Additional information

- 1. Insurance expense of \$200 was prepaid while utilities expense outstanding was \$220.
- 2. The business rented out its shop premises at \$4 800 per annum from 1 January 2024. Rental for the month of June 2024 was outstanding.
- 3. The bookkeeper had wrongly Included payment made to credit supplier, \$400, in motor vehicle repairs.
- 4. A trade debtor who owed \$300 declared bankruptcy. It was decided to write off the debt as irrecoverable.
- 5. The company continued to apply 5% as allowance for impairment of trade receivables.
- 6. The inventory on hand had net realizable value of \$24 000.
- 7. The directors declared another dividends of \$0.10 per share, to be paid in September 2024.
- 8. Depreciation policies of the company are as follows:
  - (i) Land, \$180 000, is not depreciable. Building is depreciated at 2% per annum;
  - (ii) Office equipment, at 40% per annum, on net book value;
  - (iii) Motor vehicles at 12.5% per annum on cost.

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(b) Prepare the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024.

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2 Jonathan and Javier had applied to a bank for a loan of \$20 000. The following were the information extracted from the financial statements of both businesses by the bank as at 30 April 2024.

|   | Jonathan  | Javier    |
|---|-----------|-----------|
| Net book value of non-current assets    | \$200 000 | \$120 000 |
| Current assets:                         |           |           |
| Inventory                               | \$48 000  | \$24 000  |
| Net trade receivables                   | \$28 500  | \$18 500  |
| Cash at bank                            |           | \$ 2 100  |
| Prepaid expenses                        | \$ 1 800  | \$ 1 200  |
| Current liabilities:                    |           |           |
| Trade payables                          | \$22 500  | \$16 200  |
| Bank overdraft                          | \$ 2 400  |           |
| Expenses payable                        |           | \$ 3 200  |
| Current portion of long-term borrowings | \$10 000  |           |

### REQUIRED

 (a) Calculate the current ratio of the two businesses as at 30 April 2024. Show your answers to two decimal places.

### Jonathan:

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### Javier:

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| (b) | Use the given information and | l your answers | to part (a) | , suggest who | should be | granted the |
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|     | loan. Explain your answer.    |                |             |               |           | -           |

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On 1 May 2024, Javier paid trade creditor, \$780, by cheque, to settle debt of \$800 in full.

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(c) State how Javier's working capital would be affected by the above transaction.

The bank offered a 6% loan of \$30 000 to another loan applicant, Jovan. The following were the terms of the loan.

- The money would be banked into Jovan's bank account on 1 May 2024.
   Jovan would repay the loan in three equal annual instalments on 30 April. The first repayment would be on 30 April 2025.
   The interest on loan would be payable annually on 30 April.

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REQUIRED

(d) Given that Jovan's financial year ends on 31 December, complete the following table to show the non-current liabilities and current liabilities for the two years ended 31 December 2024 and 2025.

| Year end                                    | 31 December 2024 | 31 December 2025 |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| Non-Current Liabilities:                    |                  |                  |
| Long-term borrowings                        |                  |                  |
|   |                  |                  |
| Current Liabilities:                        |                  |                  |
| Current portion of long-<br>term borrowings |                  |                  |
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3 Before the financial statements are prepared, a trial balance is usually drafted.

### REQUIRED

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(a) Explain why errors can occur even when trial balance is balanced.

### The following trial balance was prepared on 30 June 2024.

| Trial Balance as at 30 June 2024           |          |           |
|--|----------|-----------|
|  | Debit \$ | Credit \$ |
| Capital                                    |          | 32 800    |
| Drawings                                   | 4 720    |           |
| Rent expense                               | 4 800    |           |
| Motor vehicles                             | 18 500   |           |
| Accumulated depreciation of motor vehicles |          | 3 800     |
| Repairs to motor vehicles                  | 2 100    |           |
| Inventory                                  | 14 200   |           |
| Trade payables                             |          | 10 600    |
| Trade receivables                          | 12 800   |           |
| Cash at bank                               |          | 720       |
| Sales revenue                              |          | 35 400    |
| Sales returns                              | 800      |           |
| Cost of sales                              | 17 400   |           |
| Office expenses                            | 8 000    |           |
|  | 83 320   | 83 320    |

The following errors were discovered during an audit.

- 1. The bookkeeper had included repairs to owner's personal car, \$600, in the repairs to motor vehicles account.
- 2. A credit note issued to credit customer, \$180, has been debited to trade receivable account and credited to sales revenue.
- 3. Payment of rent, \$1 880, had been recorded as \$1 800.

### REQUIRED

(b) Update the trial balance upon corrections of errors.

| Trial Balance as at 30 June 2024           |          |           |  |  |
|--|----------|-----------|--|--|
|  | Debit \$ | Credit \$ |  |  |
| Capital                                    |          |           |  |  |
| Drawings                                   |          |           |  |  |
| Rent expense                               |          |           |  |  |
| Motor vehicles                             |          |           |  |  |
| Accumulated depreciation of motor vehicles |          |           |  |  |
| Repairs to motor vehicles                  |          |           |  |  |
| Inventory                                  |          |           |  |  |
| Trade payables                             |          |           |  |  |
| Trade receivables                          |          |           |  |  |
| Cash at bank                               |          |           |  |  |
| Sales revenue                              |          |           |  |  |
| Sales returns                              |          |           |  |  |
| Cost of sales                              |          |           |  |  |
| Office expenses                            |          |           |  |  |
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(c) Using an accounting theory, explain why repairs to owner's personal car should not be included in the repairs to motor vehicles account.

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It was found that included in office expenses was a purchase of a hole puncher, \$20, which could last for at least eight years.

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### REQUIRED

(d) Using an accounting theory, explain why the hole puncher was treated as office expense.

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(e) State the double entries to close drawings account on 30 June 2024.

Debit:

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Credit:

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- 4 Juliet depreciates her office equipment at 25% per annum, using reducing balance method.
  - On 1 April 2023, her books showed the following balances. Office equipment \$25 800 Accumulated depreciation of office equipment \$ 6 400

On 1 November 2023, Juliet bought a new computer, \$4 800, on credit from Jackie Office Supplies.

### REQUIRED

(a) Prepare the office equipment account for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Office Equipment account

| Date | Particulars | Dr \$ | Cr \$ | Balance \$ |
|------|-------------|-------|-------|------------|
|      |             |       |       |            |
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(b) Calculate the depreciation of office equipment for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Juliet wanted to change the depreciation method to straight-line method as it is easier.

### REQUIRED

(c) Using an accounting theory, explain if Juliet can do so.

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Juliet is planning to replace her photocopier which has been breaking down very often. She has a choice of either purchasing a brand new copier or rent a two-year old photocopier from her supplier. The following were notes made by Juliet for comparing the two options.

| Buy a new photocopier   | Rent a two-year old photocopier  |
|---|--|
| Cost: \$10 000 excluding delivery charge of \$100 and installation of \$200.              | Rental per month: \$300<br>Free delivery and installation  |
| Downpayment of 20%; the balance to be paid within 30 days.                                | 2 months' rental to be paid upon signing<br>one year contract.   |
| Warranty of 1 year  | May change model if contract is renewed.   |
| Maintenance cost of \$400 per year; a minimum of 2-year maintenance contract is required. | Free maintenance and if photocopier<br>needs longer repair time, a replacement<br>copier will be provided. |
| Copier is of latest model and available for installation one month later.                 | Copier is ready for installation upon<br>signing of contract.  |

### REQUIRED

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(d) Suggest if Juliet should buy or rent the photocopier. Justify your suggestions with three reasons.

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> 2024 SECONDARY FOUR EXPRESS / FIVE NORMAL PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

# **ANSWER SCHEME**

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### Answer all questions.

1. Refer to the Insert for data for Question 1.

### REQUIRED

(a) Prepare the statement of financial performance for the year ended 30 June 2024.

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Jessica Pte. Ltd. Statement of Financial Performance for the year ended 30 June 2024

|  | \$    | \$     |
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| 'Sales revenue                                   |       | E26000 |
| Less: Cost of sales                              |       | 320300 |
| Gross Brofit [1]                                 |       | 578400 |
|  |       | 148500 |
| Add: Other income                                |       |        |
| Gain on sale of non-current assets [1]           | 280   |        |
| Rent received (2000 +400) [1]                    | 2400  |        |
|  |       | 2680   |
| Less: Other expenses                             |       | 2000   |
| Wages and salaries                               | 39500 |        |
| Utilities expenses (10400+220)                   | 10620 |        |
| Insurance expense (4200 - 200)                   | 4000  |        |
| Motor vehicle repairs (3840-400) [1]             | 3440  |        |
| Impairment loss on trade receivables             | 550   |        |
| [5% X (25300-300] - (1000-300)] [1]              |       |        |
| Impairment loss on inventory (26980-24000) [1]   | 2980  |        |
| Depreciation of building [2% X100 000] [1]       | 2000  |        |
| Depreciation of office equipment [40%X68000] [1] | 27200 |        |
| Depreciation of motor vehicles [12.5%X90400] [1] | 11300 |        |
|  |       | 101590 |
| Profit for the year                              |       | 49590  |
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### (b) Prepare the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024.

Jessica Pte. Ltd. Statement of Financial Position as at 30 June 2024

| ASSETS   | MAş H  |              | \$       |
|--|--------|--------------|----------|
|  |        | Annuality    | Net Book |
| Non-current assets                                       | Cost   | Depreciation | Value    |
| Land and Building (AD:35000+2000)                        | 280000 | 37000        | 243000   |
| Office equipment (AD:12 000+27200)                       | 80000  | 39200        | 40800    |
| Motor vehicles (AD:14600+11300)                          | 90400  | 25900        | 64500    |
| Total non-current assets [1]                             | 450400 | 102100       | 348300   |
|  |        |              |          |
| Current assets   |        |              |          |
| Inventory  |        | 24000        | [1]      |
| Trade receivables (25300-300) [1]                        | 25000  |              |          |
| Less: Allowance for impairment of trade receivables (5%) | 1250   | [1]          |          |
| Net trade receivables                                    |        | 23750        |          |
| Cash at bank   |        | 4660         |          |
| Prepaid insurance expenses                               |        | 200          | [1]      |
| Rent income receivable                                   |        | 400          | [1]      |
| Total current assets                                     | 1      |              | 53010    |
| TOTAL ASSETS   |        |              | 401310   |
|  |        |              |          |
| EQUITY AND LIABILITIES                                   |        |              |          |
| Shareholders' equity                                     |        | [            |          |
| Share capital, 300 000 ordinary shares                   |        | 320000       | [1]      |
| Retained earnings [18400+49590-5000-0.10X300000)         |        | 32990        | [1/OF]   |
| Total shareholders' equity                               |        |              | 352990   |
|  |        |              |          |
| Current Liabilities                                      | 1      |              |          |
| Trade payables [18500-400]                               | 1      | 18100        | [1]      |
| Utilities expense payable                                |        | 220          | [1]      |
| Dividends payable  |        | 30000        | [1]      |
| Total current liabilities                                |        |              | 48320    |
|  |        |              |          |
| TOTAL SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY AND LIABILITIES               |        |              | 401310   |
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2 Jonathan and Javier had applied to a bank for a loan of \$20 000. The following were the information extracted from the financial statements of both businesses by the bank as at 30 April 2024.

|                                      | Jonathan  | Javier    |
|--------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| Net book value of non-current assets | \$200 000 | \$120 000 |
|                                      |           |           |
| Current assets:                      |           |           |
| Inventory                            | \$48 000  | \$24 000  |
| Net trade receivables                | \$28 500  | \$18 500  |

| Cash at bank                            |          | \$ 2 100 |
|---|----------|----------|
| Prepaid expenses                        | \$ 1 800 | \$ 1 200 |
|   |          |          |
| Current liabilities:                    |          |          |
| Trade payables                          | \$22 500 | \$16 200 |
| Bank overdraft                          | \$ 2 400 |          |
| Expenses payable                        |          | \$ 3 200 |
| Current portion of long-term borrowings | \$10 000 |          |

### REQUIRED

(a) Calculate the current ratio of the two businesses as at 30 April 2024. Show your answers to two decimal places.

Jonathan:

Current Assets + Current Liabilities = [48000+28500+1800]/ [22500+2400+10000]

= 2.24 [1]

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### Javier:

[24000+18500+2100+1200] / [16200+3200] = 2.36 [1]

| (b) | Use the given information and your answers to part (a), suggest who the bank should grant |
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|     | the loan to. Explain your answer.   |

Working: Quick ratio of Jonathan = 0.82 Quick ratio of Javier = 1.06

The bank should grant loan to Javier. Although Javier has less non-current assets, both his current ratio and quick ratio are better than Jonathan. [1]

Both Jonathan and Javier has current ratio above the generally acceptable norm of 2.00 [1]

However, Jonathan's current assets are largely inventory [1], taking up about 61% of the current assets. This led to his weak quick ratio of less than 1.00.

Javier, on the other hand, managed his current assets better and thus has quick ratio

above the acceptable norm of 1.00 [1]

Jonathan's has a loan which was due for repayment. He also has a bank overdraft, further indicating his weaker cash management. [1]

On 1 May 2024, Javier paid trade creditor, \$780, by cheque, to settle debt of \$800 in full.

#### REQUIRED

(c) State how Javier's working capital would be affected by the above transaction.

Javier's working capital will increase by \$20. [1]

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The bank offered a 6% loan of \$30 000 to another loan applicant, Jovan. The following were the terms of the loan.

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- 1. The money would be banked into Jovan's bank account on 1 May 2024.
- 2. Jovan would repay the loan in three equal annual instalments on 30 April, beginning 30 April 2025. 30 April 2025. 3. The interest on loan would be payable annually on 30 April.

### REQUIRED

(d) Given that Jovan's financial year ends on 31 December, complete the following table to show the non-current liabilities and current liabilities for the two years ended 31 December 2024 and 2025.

| Year end   | 31 December 2024                  | 31 December 2025                  | ]   |
|--|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|
| Non-Current Liabilities:   |                                   |                                   |     |
| Long-term borrowings   | \$20 000 [1]                      | \$10 000 [1]                      |     |
| Current Liabilities:<br>Current portion of long-term<br>borrowings | \$10 000 [1]                      | \$10 000 [1]                      |     |
| Interest payable   | 6%X30 000 X 8/12<br>= \$1 200 [1] | 6% X 20 000 X 8/12<br>= \$800 [1] | [6] |

3 Before the financial statements are prepared, a trial balance is usually drafted.

### REQUIRED

(a) Explain why errors can occur even when trial balance is balanced.

As long as there is a debit and a credit entry of the same amount made for a transaction,[1] trial balance will balance even if amount is wrong or account is wrong or there is reversed entries. A complete omission of entry will also allow trial balance to balance. [1]

The following trial balance was prepared on 30 June 2024.

| That balance as at 30 June 2024            | }<br>Dahik @ |           |
|--|--------------|-----------|
|  | Debit \$     | Credit \$ |
| Capital                                    |              | 32 800    |
| Drawings                                   | 4 720        |           |
| Rent expense                               | 4 800        |           |
| Motor vehicles                             | 18 500       |           |
| Accumulated depreciation of motor vehicles |              | 3 800     |
| Repairs to motor vehicles                  | 2 100        |           |
| Inventory                                  | 14 200       |           |
| Trade payables                             |              | 10 600    |
| Trade receivables                          | 12 800       |           |
| Cash at bank                               |              | 720       |
| Sales revenue                              |              | 35 400    |
| Sales returns                              | 800          |           |
| Cost of sales                              | 17 400       |           |
| Office expenses                            | 8 000        |           |
|  | 83 320       | 83 320    |

The following errors were discovered during an audit.

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- 1. The bookkeeper had included repairs to owner's personal car, \$600, in the repairs to motor vehicles account.
- 2. A credit note issued to credit customer, \$180, has been debited to trade receivable account and credited to sales revenue.
- 3. Payment of rent, \$1 880, had been recorded as \$1 800.

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### REQUIRED

(b) Update the trial balance upon corrections of errors.

| Trial Balance as at 30 June 2024           |            |            |     |
|--|------------|------------|-----|
|  | Debit \$   | Credit \$  |     |
| Capital                                    |            | 32 800     |     |
| Drawings [4720 + 600]                      | 5 320 [1]  |            |     |
| Rent expense [4800 +80]                    | 4 880      |            |     |
| Motor vehicles                             | 18 500     |            |     |
| Accumulated depreciation of motor vehicles |            | 3 800      |     |
| Repairs to motor vehicles [2100 – 600]     | 1 500 [1]  |            |     |
| Inventory                                  | 14 200     |            |     |
| Trade payables                             |            | 10 600     |     |
| Trade receivables [12 800 – 360]           | 12 440 [1] |            |     |
| Cash at bank [ 720 + 80]                   |            | 800 [1]    |     |
| Sales revenue [35 400 -180]                |            | 35 220 [1] |     |
| Sales returns [800 + 180]                  | 980 [1]    |            |     |
| Cost of sales                              | 17 400     |            |     |
| Office expenses                            | 8 000      |            |     |
|  |            |            |     |
|  | 83 220     | 83 220     |     |
|  |            |            | [6] |

(c) Using an accounting theory, explain why it is wrong to include repairs to owner's personal car should not be recorded in the repairs to motor vehicles account.

Accounting entity theory requires owner and business to be treated as two distinct entities [1]. When owner uses business resources for personal use, it must be treated as drawings and not as business expenses. [1]

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It was found that included in office expense was a purchase of a hole puncher, \$20, which could last for at least eight years.

### REQUIRED

(d) Using an accounting theory, explain why the hole puncher was treated as office expense.

Based on materiality theory, an expenditure of immaterial sum and does not affect decision making can be recorded as a revenue expenditure [1] even if the item can benefit many years. The hole puncher is of immaterial value and treated as normal office expense [1]

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(e) State the double entries to close drawings account on 30 June 2024.

Debit: Capital account

Credit: Drawings account [1m for both entries]

- 4 Juliet depreciates her office equipment at 25% per annum, using reducing balance method.
  - On 1 April 2023, her books showed the following balances. Office equipment \$25 800 Accumulated depreciation of office equipment \$ 6 400

On 1 November 2023, Juliet bought a new computer, \$4 800, on credit from Jackie Office Supplies.

### REQUIRED

(a) Prepare the office equipment account for the year ended 31 March 2024.

| Date  | Particulars                              | Dr \$ | Cr \$ | Balance \$ |
|-------|--|-------|-------|------------|
| 2023  |  |       |       |            |
| Apr 1 | Balance b/d [1]                          |       |       | 25 800 dr  |
| Nov 1 | Trade payable, Jackie Office Supplies[1] | 4 800 |       | 30 600 dr  |
| 2024  |  |       |       |            |
| Apr 1 | Balance b/d [1]                          |       |       | 30 600 dr  |
|       |  |       |       |            |

Office Equipment account

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### (b) Calculate the depreciation of office equipment for the year ended 31 March 2024.

Old equipment : 25% X [25800 – 6400 ] = \$4 850 New equipment : 25% X 4 800 X 5/12 = \$500 Total depreciation of office equipment for year ended 31 March 2024 = \$5 350 [1]

[1]

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Juliet wanted to change the depreciation method to straight-line method as it is easier.

#### REQUIRED

(c) Using an accounting theory, explain if Juliet can do so.

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Based on consistency theory[1], Juliet should use the same depreciation method over time so that comparison would be more meaningful. [1]

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Juliet is planning to replace her photocopier which has been breaking down very often. She has a choice of either purchasing a brand new copier or rent a two-year old photocopier from her supplier. The following were notes made by Juliet for comparing the two options.

| Buy a new photocopier   | Rent a two-year old photocopier  |
|---|--|
| Cost: \$10 000 excluding delivery charge  | Rental per month: \$300  |
| of \$100 and installation of \$200.   | Free delivery and installation   |
| Downpayment of 20%; the balance to be paid within 30 days.                                | 2 months' rental to be paid upon signing one year contract.  |
| Warranty of 1 year  | May change model if contract is renewed.   |
| Maintenance cost of \$400 per year; a minimum of 2-year maintenance contract is required. | Free maintenance and if photocopier<br>needs longer repair time, a replacement<br>copier will be provided. |
| Copier is of latest model and available for installation one month later.                 | Copier is ready for installation upon<br>signing of contract.  |

### REQUIRED

(d) Suggest if Juliet should buy or rent the photocopier. Justify your suggestions with three reasons.

Option 1: Juliet should buy the photocopier.

Reason 1: A new photocopier is less likely to break down often and thus will allow greater efficiency in business operation.

Reason 2: Owning the equipment allows Juliet to make modifications to the equipment to meet the needs of the business. She can also decide to sell the equipment if she finds it not suitable; unlike renting which will end up with her bearing with the equipment until the contract ends.

Reason 3: Cheaper to buy the photocopier if it is used over 3 years or more. The initial cost of \$10 000+\$100 + \$200 may last for 3 years. This means it cost Juliet \$3 433 + maintenance of \$400 per year. In one year, the cost of using the photocopier is \$3 833. Compared to renting which will cost \$1600X12= \$19 200.

Option 2: Juliet should rent the photocopier

Reason 1: The upfront cash payment for rental of photocopier is lower. This will help Juliet to manage her cash flow better and she can use the money for her other daily operations.

Reason 2: As Juliet does not own the asset, she can request for another model when she renews her rental contract. With technological improvement, there may be a better photocopier she could use next year instead of being stuck with the copier she bought. This allows her to change copier to meet new needs in the future.

Reason 3: Copier is already available and she can use the machine once the contract is signed and the copier installed. She does not need to wait for a month to get to use the copier for her business.

Decision [1] but must have reasons.

Reasons with correct development – 2m each

END OF ANSWER SCHEME

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