

Candidate Name

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**Paper 2: Accounting**

**For Examination December 2023**

**(1 Hour 30 Minutes)**

It is necessary to respond on the answer sheets provided alongside this question paper. Additionally, you must have a soft pencil (preferably of type B or HB), a clean eraser and a dark blue or black pen.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- You must write your name, candidate number, centre name and centre number on the answer sheets in the designated spaces.
- Attempt all the questions required using a dark blue or black pen.
- It is important to follow the instructions provided on the answer sheets.
- Do not use correction fluid.
- Avoid writing on any bar codes.

**INFORMATION:**

The total number of **marks for this paper is 50**. The number of marks assigned for every question or its parts is indicated within brackets [ ]

**Section A: Structured Questions**

**(1a)** Describe the meaning of recovery of debts written off.

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**(1 mark)**

**2a)** Summarise the requirement of provision for irrecoverable debts.

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**(1 mark)**

**3a)** Differentiate between the provision for irrecoverable debts and irrecoverable debts.

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**(1 mark)**

**4a)** Explain the strengths and limitations of books of prime entry and post ledger entries from them.

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**(1 mark)**

**5a)** Describe the purpose of cash receipt.

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**6a)** Summarise the strengths and limitations of the imprest system of petty cash.

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**(1 mark)**

**7a)** Explain the process of adjusting profit and loss after correction of errors through main techniques.

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**(1 mark)**

**8a)** Explain the consequences of error correction on trial balances and statement of financial position.

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**(1 mark)**

**9a)** Explain the significance of a trial balance?

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**(1 mark)**

**10a)** Outline **two** advantages of a trial balance?

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**(2 marks)**

**11a)** Outline **two** disadvantages of a trial balance?

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**12a)** Compare the objectives of ledger **and** sales ledger control accounts.

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**(2 marks)**

**13a)** Explain how correction of errors are made by the following methods: (i) suspense accounts, **and** (ii) journal entries.

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**(4 marks)**

**14a)** Outline **two** advantages of entering into a partnership arrangement.

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**(2 marks)**

**15a)** Outline **two** disadvantages of entering into a partnership arrangement.

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**(2 marks)**

**16a)** Summarise the purpose of a partnership agreement.

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**(1 mark)**

**17a) Outline** two objectives of an appropriation account.

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**(2 marks)**

**18a)** Explain the concept of limited liability.

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**(1 mark)**

**19a)** Compare the difference between capital and current accounts.

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**(2 marks)**

**20a)** Outline **two** advantages of opening a limited company.

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**(2 marks)**

**21a)** Outline **two** disadvantages of opening a limited company.

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**(2 marks)**

**22a)** Explain equity?

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**23a)** Summarise the components of a limited company`s capital structure.

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**24a)** Explain the purpose of an accumulated fund.

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**(2 marks)**

**25a)** Outline the difference between the following types of costs: (i) direct, and (ii) indirect.

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**(2 marks)**

**26a)** Describe strategies to improve working capital and profitability.

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**27a)** Summarise the causes and consequences of limitations of accounting information.

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**(3 marks)**

**28a)** Explain a problem with inter firm comparisons.

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**(1 mark)**

**29a)** Explain the purpose of the following: (i) current ratio, and (ii) return of capital employed.

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**(2 marks)**

**30a)** Explain the significance of accounting for investors.

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**(1 mark)**