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## ACCOUNTING

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Paper 1 Multiple Choice

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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the multiple choice answer sheet.

You will need: Multiple choice answer sheet  
Soft clean eraser  
Soft pencil (type B or HB is recommended)

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## INSTRUCTIONS

- There are **thirty-five** questions on this paper. Answer **all** questions.
- For each question there are four possible answers **A, B, C** and **D**. Choose the **one** you consider correct and record your choice in soft pencil on the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Follow the instructions on the multiple choice answer sheet.
- Write in soft pencil.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number on the multiple choice answer sheet in the spaces provided unless this has been done for you.
- Do **not** use correction fluid or tape.
- Do **not** write on any bar codes.
- You may use a calculator.

## INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 35.
- Each correct answer will score one mark.
- Any rough working should be done on this question paper.

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This document has **16** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

- 1 What is the role of a book-keeper in providing information for monitoring progress and decision-making?
- A calculating accounting ratios
  - B preparing books of account
  - C preparing a statement of financial position
  - D preparing an income statement
- 2 What is the amount owed by a business to its owner called?
- A asset
  - B drawings
  - C overdraft
  - D capital
- 3 Where is the discount total from the payment side of a cash book posted?
- A the discount received account in the general ledger
  - B the discount received account in the purchases ledger
  - C the discount allowed account in the general ledger
  - D the discount allowed account in the sales ledger
- 4 A cheque received by Tiberi from Martinez was subsequently dishonoured.

How would the dishonoured cheque be recorded in the books of account of Tiberi?

|   | account to be debited | account to be credited |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|
| A | bank                  | Martinez               |
| B | bank                  | irrecoverable debts    |
| C | Martinez              | bank                   |
| D | irrecoverable debts   | bank                   |

- 5 Sara purchases goods on credit from Zola.

Sara owed Zola \$400 on 1 May. She paid this on 1 May, after deducting a 5% cash discount. Sara made further purchases, costing \$280, during May.

What were the opening and closing balances on Sara's statement of account for May?

|          | opening<br>balance<br>\$ | closing<br>balance<br>\$ |
|----------|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>A</b> | 380                      | 266                      |
| <b>B</b> | 380                      | 280                      |
| <b>C</b> | 400                      | 280                      |
| <b>D</b> | 400                      | 300                      |

- 6 Which business documents are used to write up the sales journal and sales returns journal?

|          | sales journal    | sales returns journal |
|----------|------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>A</b> | invoice issued   | debit note issued     |
| <b>B</b> | invoice issued   | credit note issued    |
| <b>C</b> | invoice received | debit note received   |
| <b>D</b> | invoice received | credit note received  |

- 7 Jasvinder maintains a petty cash book using the imprest system. The monthly imprest of \$100 is restored on the first day of each month.

In September, the petty cash book showed the following:

|                | \$ |
|----------------|----|
| total expenses | 83 |
| total receipts | 7  |

How much cash did Jasvinder need to restore the imprest on 1 October?

- A** \$24                      **B** \$76                      **C** \$83                      **D** \$100

8 Which statement about a trial balance is **not** correct?

- A It can help in locating arithmetical errors.
- B It excludes closing inventory.
- C It is part of the double-entry system.
- D It is often used to prepare financial statements.

9 Purchase of stationery for office use for \$50 was correctly entered in the petty cash book, but posted to the credit side of the purchases account in error.

Which journal entry corrects the error?

|   | accounts debited                  | accounts credited                 |
|---|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| A | stationery \$50<br>purchases \$50 | suspense \$100                    |
| B | suspense \$100                    | stationery \$50<br>purchases \$50 |
| C | stationery \$100                  | purchases \$100                   |
| D | purchases \$100                   | stationery \$100                  |

10 Karina's income statement showed a gross profit of \$24 000 and profit for the year of \$7400.

She later discovered the following errors.

- 1 Carriage inwards for \$200 had been omitted.
- 2 Drawings for \$2400 had been recorded as wages.

What was Karina's correct gross profit and profit for the year?

|   | gross profit<br>\$ | profit for year<br>\$ |
|---|--------------------|-----------------------|
| A | 23 800             | 9 600                 |
| B | 23 800             | 9 800                 |
| C | 24 200             | 9 800                 |
| D | 24 200             | 10 000                |

11 Which statements are correct?

- 1 A bank reconciliation statement is part of double-entry book-keeping.
- 2 A bank reconciliation statement is prepared by the bank.
- 3 A bank reconciliation statement is prepared by the trader.

**A** 1 and 2      **B** 1 and 3      **C** 2 only      **D** 3 only

12 On 31 January, Somraj's bank statement showed a credit balance of \$740. Comparing the bank statement with the cash book, he found the following:

|                                                   | \$  |
|---------------------------------------------------|-----|
| bank charges <b>not</b> recorded in the cash book | 30  |
| cheque paid but <b>not</b> presented to the bank  | 150 |

Somraj updated his cash book as required.

What was the updated cash book balance on 31 January?

- A** \$590 debit
- B** \$620 debit
- C** \$860 debit
- D** \$890 debit

13 What is a purpose of preparing a sales ledger control account?

- A** to identify irrecoverable debts
- B** to make fraud more difficult
- C** to provide the total owed to trade payables
- D** to show the total of cash and credit sales

- 14 A trader entered the following items in the purchases ledger control account.

|                                        | \$      |
|----------------------------------------|---------|
| total discount received                | 12 900  |
| total interest charged by suppliers    | 15 000  |
| total of the purchases returns journal | 19 200  |
| total payments made to suppliers       | 218 200 |

Which entry in the purchases ledger control account is correct?

- A credit of \$19 200
  - B credit of \$218 200
  - C debit of \$12 900
  - D debit of \$15 000
- 15 A capital expenditure transaction was **incorrectly** treated as revenue expenditure.

What would be the impact of this error on the financial statements?

|   | profit for the year | non-current assets |
|---|---------------------|--------------------|
| A | overstated          | overstated         |
| B | overstated          | understated        |
| C | understated         | overstated         |
| D | understated         | understated        |

- 16** A trader bought equipment, costing \$2000, on 1 January in year 1. It is depreciated at a rate of 45%, using the reducing balance method.

Which journal entry would record the depreciation for the year ended 31 December in year 2?

|          |                                                             | debit<br>\$ | credit<br>\$ |
|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| <b>A</b> | income statement<br>provision for depreciation of equipment | 495         | 495          |
| <b>B</b> | income statement<br>provision for depreciation of equipment | 900         | 900          |
| <b>C</b> | provision for depreciation of equipment<br>income statement | 495         | 495          |
| <b>D</b> | provision for depreciation of equipment<br>income statement | 900         | 900          |

- 17** A trader was owed rent at the end of his financial year.

How should the trader enter this in his ledger?

- A** Credit the rent payable account with the amount owed and bring down as a debit balance.  
**B** Credit the rent receivable account with the amount owed and bring down as a debit balance.  
**C** Debit the rent payable account with the amount owed and bring down as a credit balance.  
**D** Debit the rent receivable account with the amount owed and bring down as a credit balance.
- 18** At 1 January 2025, Domenico has a provision for doubtful debts of \$760.

At 31 December 2025, trade receivables are \$22 500.

Provision for doubtful debts is to be maintained at 5%.

What are the entries in the provision for doubtful debts account at 31 December 2025?

|          | balance c / d | income<br>statement |
|----------|---------------|---------------------|
| <b>A</b> | \$1125 credit | \$365 credit        |
| <b>B</b> | \$1125 credit | \$365 debit         |
| <b>C</b> | \$1125 debit  | \$365 credit        |
| <b>D</b> | \$1125 debit  | \$365 debit         |

**19** What is the correct basis of inventory valuation?

- A** at cost
- B** at net realisable value
- C** at the lower of cost or selling price
- D** at the lower of cost or net realisable value

**20** Gideon is a manufacturer. He made errors in valuing his inventory at the year end. His work in progress was understated by \$2000, and his inventory of finished goods was overstated by \$3500.

What was the effect of these errors?

|          | <b>cost of production</b> | <b>cost of sales</b> |
|----------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>A</b> | \$2000 overstated         | \$1500 understated   |
| <b>B</b> | \$2000 overstated         | \$3500 understated   |
| <b>C</b> | \$2000 understated        | \$1500 overstated    |
| <b>D</b> | \$2000 understated        | \$5500 overstated    |

**21** A sole trader paid off the business's overdraft using his own personal funds.

How did this affect the statement of financial position?

|          | <b>liabilities</b> | <b>capital</b> | <b>assets</b> |
|----------|--------------------|----------------|---------------|
| <b>A</b> | no effect          | increase       | increase      |
| <b>B</b> | decrease           | increase       | increase      |
| <b>C</b> | decrease           | increase       | no effect     |
| <b>D</b> | decrease           | no effect      | increase      |

**22** Zaha is a consultant who receives fees from clients.

How would Zaha calculate his profit for the year?

- A** fee income – cost of sales
- B** fee income – cost of sales + expenses
- C** fee income + expenses
- D** fee income – expenses

**23** A partnership agreement contains rules as decided among the partners.

What is **not** contained in a typical partnership agreement?

- A** interest on partners' capitals
- B** interest on partners' drawings
- C** partners' salaries
- D** partners' current account balances

**24** Which items are included in the appropriation account of a partnership?

- 1 interest on partners' drawings
- 2 partners' salaries
- 3 interest on partners' capital
- 4 partners' drawings

- A** 1, 2 and 3      **B** 1, 2 and 4      **C** 1, 3 and 4      **D** 2, 3 and 4

**25** Which statement describes the benefit of limited liability?

- A** A shareholder in a company risks losing only their personal possessions.
- B** A shareholder in a company risks losing only the amount they agreed to pay for their shares.
- C** A sole trader risks losing only the capital they put into the business.
- D** A sole trader risks losing only their personal possessions.

**26** At the start of its financial year, a limited liability company had these balances.

|                        | \$      |
|------------------------|---------|
| ordinary share capital | 250 000 |
| retained earnings      | 75 000  |
| general reserve        | 18 000  |

Profit for the year was \$38 000. During the year, a dividend of 4% was paid and \$8000 was transferred to general reserve.

What was the total equity of the company at the end of the year?

- A** \$343 000      **B** \$371 000      **C** \$373 000      **D** \$381 000

**27** Which item would reduce the balance on a sports club's receipts and payments account?

- A** depreciation of sports equipment
- B** overdue subscription paid by a member
- C** payment for new sports equipment
- D** profit made by the club's shop

**28** An amateur dramatics club was formed to provide occasional performances for the paying public. On performance days, the club sells refreshments to the public. The profits from these sales help towards the running costs of the club.

The following information has been provided at the end of the year.

|                                            | \$  |
|--------------------------------------------|-----|
| receipts from sale of refreshments         | 980 |
| purchase of refreshments for resale        | 490 |
| opening inventory of refreshments          | 50  |
| closing inventory of refreshments          | 75  |
| printing costs of tickets for performances | 35  |

What is the profit on sale of refreshments to be transferred to the income and expenditure account for the current year?

- A** \$455      **B** \$465      **C** \$480      **D** \$515

**29** Which cost is a direct cost for a manufacturer?

- A** carriage outwards
- B** delivery vehicle depreciation
- C** factory royalties
- D** factory supervisor's salary

**30** Sandy owns a manufacturing business. She has provided the following figures.

|                                    | \$     |
|------------------------------------|--------|
| interest on loan                   | 3 500  |
| factory rent                       | 10 000 |
| office rent                        | 8 000  |
| opening inventory of raw materials | 90 000 |
| closing inventory of raw materials | 74 000 |
| office staff salaries              | 20 000 |
| factory workers' salaries          | 15 000 |
| raw material purchases             | 20 000 |

What is the factory cost of production?

- A** \$45 000      **B** \$61 000      **C** \$89 000      **D** \$92 500

**31** A trader provided the following information.

|                                      | \$     |
|--------------------------------------|--------|
| trade receivables at start of year   | 5 000  |
| trade receivables at end of year     | 8 500  |
| cash received from trade receivables | 34 700 |
| irrecoverable debts written off      | 200    |
| discount allowed                     | 185    |

What was the amount of the credit sales?

- A** \$38 200      **B** \$38 385      **C** \$38 400      **D** \$38 585

- 32** Diane provided the following information about her assets and liabilities.

|                   | \$    |
|-------------------|-------|
| bank overdraft    | 1 300 |
| cash              | 250   |
| inventory         | 2 350 |
| long-term loan    | 2 100 |
| trade payables    | 1 000 |
| trade receivables | 1 350 |

What was Diane's current ratio?

- A** 0.70 : 1      **B** 0.90 : 1      **C** 1.72 : 1      **D** 5.25 : 1

- 33** A company provided the following information about its rate of inventory turnover.

|        |          |
|--------|----------|
| year 1 | 24 times |
| year 2 | 25 times |
| year 3 | 27 times |

What would explain the changes in the ratio?

- A** Fewer sales were on credit.  
**B** Inventory quantity was decreasing.  
**C** Sales activity slowed.  
**D** Selling price increased.

- 34** Maria used the straight-line method in year 1 and reducing balance method in year 2 to depreciate her non-current assets.

Which accounting principle has Maria failed to apply?

- A** consistency  
**B** duality  
**C** matching  
**D** prudence

- 35** 'Revenue should only be regarded as earned when the legal title of goods and services passes from the seller to the buyer.'

Which accounting principle does this statement refer to?

- A** going concern
- B** matching
- C** money measurement
- D** realisation

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