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LEAVING CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION 2016

ACCOUNTING - ORDINARY LEVEL
(400 marks)

Accounting Solutions and Marking Scheme

1. Final Accounts of a Limited Company

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Trading Profit and Loss Account of Bowe Ltd for the year ended 31/12/2015 [1]

Sales			560,900 [4]
Less sales returns			<u>4,800 [4]</u>
			556,100
<u>Less cost of sales</u>			
Opening stock		45,600 [4]	
Purchases		<u>225,000 [4]</u>	
		270,600	
Closing stock		<u>45,300 [4]</u>	
Cost of sales			<u>225,300</u>
Gross profit			330,800 [4]
Less Expenses			
Administration [1]			
Stationery	6,800 [6]		
Wages and salaries	127,100 [4]		
Light, heat and insurance	24,000 [4]		
Directors' fees	35,300 [4]		
Depreciation			
Buildings	14,400 [4]		
Office equipment	<u>5,300 [4]</u>	<u>19,700</u>	212,900
Selling and Distribution [1]			
Advertising	13,500 [6]	<u>13,500</u>	<u>226,400</u>
			104,400
Add operating income			
Rent received			14,000 [3]
Decrease in bad debt provision			<u>1,700 [4]</u>
Operating profit			120,100
Less debenture interest			<u>4,800 [6]</u>
Net profit for the year			115,300
Less taxation			<u>15,000 [3]</u>
			100,300
Add profit and loss balance 01/01/2015			<u>22,100 [3]</u>
Profit and loss balance at 31/12/2015			<u>122,400 [2]</u>

Balance Sheet Bowe Ltd as at 31/12/2015 [1]

Intangible Assets						
Patents					160,000	[2]
Fixed Assets	Cost		Depreciation		N.B.V.	
Buildings	720,000	[2]	100,400	[2]	619,600	[2]
Office equipment	<u>75,000</u>	[2]	<u>27,300</u>	[2]	<u>47,700</u>	[2]
	<u>795,000</u>		<u>127,700</u>		<u>667,300</u>	
					827,300	
Current Assets						
Closing stock	45,300	[2]				
Stock of stationery	<u>700</u>	[2]	46,000			
Debtors	62,000	[2]				
Less bad debt provision	<u>3,100</u>	[3]	58,900			
Advertising prepaid			4,500	[1]		
Rent receivable due			<u>2,000</u>	[1]		
			111,400			
Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year						
Creditors	48,000	[2]				
VAT	7,200	[2]				
Bank	12,500	[2]				
Debenture interest due	3,600	[2]				
Corporation tax	<u>15,000</u>	[2]	<u>86,300</u>			
					<u>25,100</u>	
					<u>852,400</u>	
Financed by						
Creditors: amounts falling due after 1 year						
8% Debentures					80,000	[2]
Capital and Reserves	Authorised		Issued			
Ordinary share capital	<u>1,000,000</u>	[1]	650,000	[1]		
Profit and loss 31/12/2015			<u>122,400</u>		<u>772,400</u>	
Capital Employed					<u>852,400</u>	

2. Debtors and Creditors Control Accounts

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Dr		Debtors Ledger Control Account				Cr	
		€			€		
01/01/2016	Balance b/d	75,800	[3]	01/01/2016	Balance b/d	410	[2]
	Sales	93,400	[6]		Discount allowed	560	[2]
	Interest charged	100	[2]		Sales returns	310	[2]
	Dishonoured Ch.	1,800	[2]		Bills receivable	5,840	[1]
31/01/2016	Balance c/d	450	[2]		Bank	80,300	[2]
					Bad debts w/o	750	[2]
					Contra	320	[2]
				31/01/2016	Balance c/d	83060	[2]
		<u>171,550</u>				<u>171,550</u>	
01/02/2016	Balance b/d	<u>83,060</u>		01/02/2016	Balance b/d	450	

[30]

Dr		Creditors Ledger Control Account				Cr	
		€			€		
01/01/2016	Balance b/d	240	[2]	01/01/2016	Balance b/d	43,300	[3]
	Purchases returns	350	[3]		Purchases	80,700	[6]
	Discount received	1,320	[2]		Discount disallowed	330	[3]
	Bills payable	4,450	[2]	31/01/2016	Balance c/d	630	[2]
	Bank	60,400	[2]				
	Contra	320	[3]				
31/01/2016	Balance c/d	57,880	[2]				
		<u>124,960</u>				<u>124,960</u>	
01/02/2016	Balance b/d	630		01/02/2016	Balance b/d	57,880	

3. Company Profit and Loss

[35]

(a)

Profit and Loss Account for year ended 31/12/2015

Net profit for year			170,000	[2]
Less interest			(18,000)	[6]
Less tax			(54,000)	[6]
			98,000	
Less Appropriation				
Increase in general reserve	23,000	[5]		
Ordinary dividend	36,000	[5]		
Preference dividend	<u>18,000</u>	[5]	<u>77,000</u>	
Retained profit for year			21,000	
Retained profit 01/01/2015			<u>312,000</u>	[5]
Retained profits carried forward			<u>333,000</u>	[1]

(b)

[25]

Balance Sheet as at 31/12/2015

Fixed Assets and Current Assets			1,265,000	
Creditors: amounts falling due within 1 year				
Interest due	18,000	[3]		
Tax due	<u>54,000</u>	[3]	<u>72,000</u>	
			<u>1,193,000</u>	
Financed by:				
Capital and Reserves	Authorised		Issued	
Preference shares	500,000	[3]	300,000	[2]
Ordinary shares	<u>800,000</u>	[3]	<u>450,000</u>	[2]
	<u>1,300,000</u>		750,000	[1]
Profit and loss balance 31/12/2015			333,000	[4]
General reserve			<u>110,000</u>	[4]
Shareholders' funds			<u>1,193,000</u>	

4. Tabular Statement

[60]

Assets	Jan. 3	Jan. 7	Jan. 12	Jan. 16	Jan. 19	Jan. 21	Jan. 23	Jan. 26	Totals
Buildings	450,000 [2]							+170,000 [2]	620,000
Machinery	82,000 [2]								82,000
Stock	32,000 [2]	14,200 [2]			(9,200) [2]				37,000
Debtors	28,000 [2]				+8,200 [2]	(600) [2]			31,700
Bank	30,500 [1]		(3,500) [2]	(3,800) [2]		+180 [3]	(3,300) [3]	(15,000) [2]	8,780 [1]
Total	622,500	+14,200	(3,500)	(3,800)	(1,000)	(420)	(3,300)	155,000	779,480
Liabilities									
Capital	590,000 [2]								590,000
Profit/loss	5,000 [1]				(1,000) [1]	(420) [1]			3,680
Drawings							(3300) [2]		(3,300)
Creditors	24,000 [3]	14,200 [2]		(4,100) [1]					34,100 [1]
Rent	3,500 [3]		(3,500) [2]						-----
W. Finance Ltd								+155,000 [2]	155,000
Total	622,500	+14,200	(3,500)	(3,800)	(1,000)	(420)	(3,300)	155,000	779,480

5. Interpretation of Accounts [40]

(a) (i) Purchases [10]

680,000 – 300,000	380,000
Add closing stock	<u>58,000</u>
	438,000
Less opening stock	<u>(42,000)</u>
	<u>396,000</u>

(ii) Percentage Mark up on cost [10]

$$\frac{\text{Gross profit}}{\text{Cost of sales}} \times \frac{100}{1} = \frac{300,000}{380,000} \times \frac{100}{1} = 78.95\%$$

(iii) Net Profit Margin [10]

$$\frac{\text{Net profit}}{\text{Sales}} \times \frac{100}{1} = \frac{80,000}{680,000} \times \frac{100}{1} = 11.76\%$$

(iv) Period of credit given to debtors [10]

$$\frac{\text{Debtors}}{\text{Credit sales}} \times \frac{365}{1} = \frac{20,000}{680,000} \times \frac{365}{1} = 10.73 \text{ days}$$

[40]

(b) (i) Depreciation:

This is the loss in value of a fixed asset during the year due to wear and tear or the passage of time. A business will decide a suitable percentage for the yearly charge. Depreciation in the above balance sheet is €50,000. [10]

(ii) Tangible Assets: These are assets that have real value and can be seen. McBreen has fixed assets worth €450,000. [10]

(iii) Shareholders' Funds: The amount of money that belongs to the shareholders in the business made up of:

Issued share capital	342,000
Retained profit	<u>80,000</u>
	<u>422,000</u>

 [10]

(iv) Authorised Share Capital: The amount of shares that McBreen Ltd can issue e.g. €600,000 €1 ordinary shares. [10]

(c) Acid Test Ratio: [10]

$$(210,000 - 58,000) : 88,000 = 1.73 : 1$$

This ratio tells us that for every €1 they owe they have liquid assets of €1.73. This is better than the recommended ratio of 1 : 1.

(d) Return on Capital Employed: [10]

$$\frac{\text{Net profit + interest}}{\text{Capital employed}} \times \frac{100}{1} = \frac{80,000 + 9,000}{572,000} \times \frac{100}{1} = 15.56\%$$

Return on capital employed has decreased from 18% in 2014 to 15.56% in 2015. This is a decrease of 2.44%. This is a good return, the business is profitable, and you would only get a return of about 2/3% from a bank or risk free investment.

6. Cash Flow Statement

(a) Reconciliation of Operating Profit to Net Cash Inflow from Operating Activities

[30]

	€	
Operating profit	140,000	[3]
Add depreciation	12,000	[6]
Increase in stock	(4,000)	[6]
Decrease in debtors	8,000	[6]
Increase in creditors	5,000	[6]
Net cash inflow from operating activities	161,000	[3]

(b) Cash Flow Statement of Connolly Ltd for the year ended 31/12/2015

[65]

	€	
Operating Activities [2]		
Net cash inflow from operating activities	161,000	[4]
Return on Investment and Servicing of Finance [2]		
Interest paid	(12,000)	[8]
Taxation [2]		
Tax paid	(38,000)	[6]
Capital Expenditure and Financial Investment [2]		
Purchase of land/buildings	(150,000)	[6]
Equity Dividend paid [2]		
Dividends paid	(42,000)	[8]
Net cash inflow before liquid resources and financing	(81,000)	
Financing		
Issue of ordinary share capital	40,000	[6]
Share premium	10,000	[6]
	50,000	
Debentures	30,000	[6]
Decrease in cash	(1,000)	[5]

(c) Reconciliation of Net Cash Flow to movement in Net Debt

[5]

Decrease in cash in the period	(1,000)	[1]
Debentures	(30,000)	[1]
Change in net debt	(31,000)	[1]
Net debt 01/01/2015	(143,000)	[1]
Net debt 31/12/2015	(174,000)	[1]

7. Farm Accounts

(a) (i) Enterprise Analysis Account – Cows

[40]

Income		€		€	
	Single farm payment			18,700	[2]
	Sale of milk			237,900	[2]
	Sale of cows			23,000	[2]
	Drawings of milk			<u>1,900</u>	[2]
				281,500	
	Opening stock	169,000	[1]		
	Purchases	<u>154,000</u>	[2]		
		323,000			
	Closing stock	<u>289,000</u>	[1]	<u>34,000</u>	
				247,500	
Less Expenditure					
	Feedstuff	30,700	[3]		
	Fertiliser	11,340	[4]		
	Wages	45,990	[2]		
	Repairs	4,550	[2]		
	Vets	4,900	[2]	<u>97,480</u>	
				<u>150,020</u>	[2]

(ii) Enterprise Analysis Account – Grain

Income		€		€	
	Single farm payment			18,700	[2]
	Sale of grain			56,300	[2]
				75,000	
	Costs			<u>11,400</u>	[2]
				63,600	
Less Expenditure					
	Fertiliser	4,860	[1]		
	Wages	19,710	[2]		
	Repairs	1,950	[2]	<u>26,520</u>	
				<u>37,080</u>	[2]

(b)

[25]

General Profit and Loss Account for the year ending 31/12/2015

Income		€		€	
	Contribution from milk	150,020	[3]		
	Contribution from grain	37,080	[3]	187,100	
Less Liabilities					
	ESB	9,700	[4]		
	Loan interest	22,000	[4]		
	Dep. of buildings	9,500	[4]		
	Dep. of machinery	45,000	[4]	<u>86,200</u>	
Net Profit				<u>100,900</u>	[3]

(c)

[35]**Balance Sheet as at 31/12/2015**

Fixed Assets		Cost		Dep.		N.B.V.	
	Land	950,000				950,000	[3]
	Farm buildings	190,000	[2]	47,500	[2]	142,500	
	Machinery	<u>225,000</u>	[2]	<u>152,000</u>	[2]	<u>73,000</u>	
		<u>1,365,000</u>		<u>199,500</u>		1,165,500	
Current Assets							
	Closing stock – cows	289,000	[3]				
	Closing stock – fertiliser	8,000	[3]				
	Closing stock - feedstuffs	<u>10,400</u>	[3]	307,400			
Current Liabilities							
	Bank	12,900	[3]				
	Interest due	<u>8,000</u>	[3]	<u>20,900</u>			
	Working capital					<u>286,500</u>	
	Net worth					<u>1,452,000</u>	
Financed by							
	Loan					220,000	[2]
	Capital			1,160,000	[3]		
	Farm profit			<u>100,900</u>			
				1,260,900			
	Drawings			<u>28,900</u>	[4]	<u>1,232,000</u>	
						<u>1,452,000</u>	

8. Marginal Costing [80]

(a) **Selling Price per unit** = $\frac{770,000}{55,000 \text{ units}}$ = €14 per unit [12]

(b) **Variable cost per unit** = $\frac{467,500}{55,000 \text{ units}}$ = €8.50 per unit [12]

(c) **Contribution per unit** = SP - VC = C
€14 - €8.50 = €5.50 per unit [10]

(d) **Break-even point** = $\frac{\text{fixed costs}}{\text{C.P.U.}}$ = $\frac{137,500}{5.50}$ = 25,000 units [10]

Sales value = 25,000 × €14 = €350,000

(e) **Margin of Safety** = Budgeted sales – B.E.P.
35,000 – 25,000 = 10,000 units

Sales value = 10,000 units × €14 = €140,000 [15]

(f) **To achieve a profit of €400,000** [17]

$$\frac{\text{FC} + \text{TP}}{5.50} = \frac{137,500 + 400,000}{5.50} = \frac{537,500}{5.50} = 97,728 \text{ units}$$

Sales value = 97,728 units × €14 = €1,368,192

Alternative

Let N = number of units

SP – VC – FC = profit

14N – 8.5N – 137,500 = 400,000

5.5N = 537,500

N = $\frac{537,500}{5.50}$ = 97,728 units

Sales value = 97,728 units × €14 = €1,368,192

(g) Variable cost is a cost that changes with the amounts of units made.
e.g. packaging, raw materials, labour. [4]

9. Cash Budgeting

[80]

(a) Cash Budget for five months January - May

[74]

Receipts	March	April	May	June	July	Total
Debtors	62,000 [2]	74,000 [2]	54,300 [2]	91,100 [2]	78,200 [2]	359,600 [3]
Total Receipts	<u>62,000</u>	<u>74,000</u>	<u>54,300</u>	<u>91,100</u>	<u>78,200</u>	<u>359,600</u>
Payments						
Cash for purchases	55,000 [1]	38,100 [1]	72,300 [2]	23,200 [2]	24,300 [1]	212,900 [1]
Expenses	5,000 [2]	12,000 [2]	10,000 [2]	13,000 [2]	16,000 [2]	56,000 [2]
Equipment				18,000 [2]		18,000 [2]
Rent	<u>1,700 [1]</u>	<u>1,700 [1]</u>	<u>1,700 [1]</u>	<u>1,900 [1]</u>	<u>1,900 [1]</u>	<u>8,900 [2]</u>
Total Payments	<u>61,700</u>	<u>51,800</u>	<u>84,000</u>	<u>56,100</u>	<u>42,200</u>	<u>295,800</u>
Net Cash	300 [2]	22,200 [2]	(29,700)[2]	35,000 [2]	36,000 [2]	63,800 [2]
Opening Cash	35,000 [2]	35,300 [1]	57,500 [1]	27,800 [1]	62,800 [1]	35,000 [3]
Closing Cash	<u>35,300 [1]</u>	<u>57,500 [1]</u>	<u>27,800 [1]</u>	<u>62,800 [1]</u>	<u>98,800 [2]</u>	<u>98,800 [3]</u>

- (b) A cash budget will show Sean all his inflows/outflows of cash during the period and his cash surplus/deficit at the end of each month.

It will indicate to him when a bank overdraft may be required.

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