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Paper 2 Case Study

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1 hour 30 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
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INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 80.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].
- The insert contains the case study.

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1 (a) Explain **four** reasons why a business might remain small.

reason 1

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reason 2

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reason 3

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reason 4

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(b) Consider the advantages and disadvantages of the following **two** methods CTD could use to continue to produce high-quality products. Which method should CTD use? Justify your answer.

- quality control
- quality assurance

quality control

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quality assurance

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2 (a) Explain **two** advantages and **two** disadvantages for CTD of using cost-plus pricing.

advantage 1

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advantage 2

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disadvantage 1

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disadvantage 2

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(b) Consider the following **two** aims of promotion for CTD. Which aim is likely to be the most important to CTD? Justify your answer.

- encouraging new customers
- creating brand loyalty

encouraging new customers

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creating brand loyalty

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conclusion

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- 3 (a) Explain **one** reason why CTD might need short-term finance and **one** reason why CTD might need long-term finance.

reason for short-term finance

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explanation

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reason for long-term finance

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explanation

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(b) Consider the advantages and disadvantages of the following **two** methods of growth CTD could use. Which method of growth should CTD use? Justify your answer.

- setting up a new café
- taking over a competitor's café

setting up a new café

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taking over a competitor's café

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4 (a) Explain **two** possible effects on CTD of higher interest rates.

effect 1

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explanation

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effect 2

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(b) Using Appendix 3 and other information, consider the following **three** applicants for the job of café manager. Which applicant should Nadia employ? Justify your answer.

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Bella

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Saahan

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