

## revise.wales - Mark Scheme

### Mock Paper B - Unit 1: Financial Mathematics and Other Applications of Numeracy (Higher Tier, Calculator-allowed)

80 marks. R.WM-MNH-U1-002 (MS).

**Notation.**  $M_n$  = method mark;  $A_n$  = accuracy / answer mark;  $B_n$  = independent unsupported correct value;  $C_n$  = communication (OCW); ft = follow through from a prior error; oe = or equivalent; cao = correct answer only.

#### Question 1 (5 marks)

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- (a) **B1**  $HCF = 2 \times 3 \times 7 = 42$  (cao).
- (b) **B1**  $\frac{3}{4} \times 0.64 \times 712.50 = 0.48 \times 712.50 = \text{£}342.00$  (cao).
- (c) **M1** Morning used =  $840 \times \frac{2}{5} = 336$ ; remaining =  $840 - 336 = 504$  L.  
**M1** Afternoon used =  $0.45 \times 504 = 226.8$  L.  
**A1** Water left =  $504 - 226.8 = 277.2$  litres (cao).

#### Question 2 (8 marks)

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- (a) **M1** Card fee =  $0.016 \times 4260 = \text{£}68.16$ .  
**M1** Total costs =  $1278 + 615 + 980 + 68.16 = \text{£}2,941.16$ .  
**M1** Profit =  $4260 - 2941.16 = \text{£}1,318.84$ .  
**A1** Margin =  $\frac{1318.84}{4260} \times 100 = 30.958 \dots \approx 31.0\%$  (cao; accept 30.9–31.0%).
- (b) (i) **B1**  $9000/250 = 36$  whole weeks (cao).
- (ii) **B1** Yes – weekly profit from (a) is approximately  $\text{£}1,319$ , so saving  $\text{£}250$  per week is well within reach (oe; any sensible comparison  $250 < 1319$ ).
- (iii) **M1** Discounted price =  $0.95 \times 9000 = \text{£}8,550$ ; instalment total =  $12 \times 770 = \text{£}9,240$ .  
**A1** Additional cost =  $9240 - 8550 = \text{£}690.00$  (cao).

#### Question 3 (4 marks)

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- (a) **M1**  $145 \times 0.75 \times 0.90$  (apply 25% reduction then 10% on reduced).  
**A1** =  $\text{£}97.88$  (accept exact value  $\text{£}97.875$ ; answers to nearest penny).
- (b) **M1** Single 35%:  $145 \times 0.65 = \text{£}94.25$ ; difference =  $97.875 - 94.25 = \text{£}3.625 = 362.5$  pence.  
**A1** Difference  $\approx 363$  pence (or  $\text{£}3.63$ ); the single 35% discount is cheaper. Must state which is cheaper.

#### Question 4 (10 marks)

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- (a) **M1** Apply commission:  $600 \times 0.975 = \text{£}585$ .  
**M1** Convert to yen at sell rate:  $585 \times 185 = \text{¥}108,225$ ; after spending  $\text{¥}80,000$ , remaining

= ¥28,225.

**M1** Convert back at buy-back rate:  $28,225/192$ .

**A1** = £ **147.01** ( $\pm 1$  p tolerance; exact £147.005...).

**(b) M1** Pre-DST leg 23:50  $\rightarrow$  01:00 on Sunday = 1 h 10 min.

**M1** After clocks jump to 02:00 BST, Japan is now BST + 8 h, so Tokyo 19:25 local = 11:25 BST.  
Post-DST leg 02:00  $\rightarrow$  11:25 = 9 h 25 min.

**A1** Total = 1 h 10 min + 9 h 25 min = **10 h 35 min** (cao).

*Alt:* convert both endpoints to UTC. Departure = 23:50 UTC Sat; landing = 19:25 Tokyo = 10:25 UTC Sun; elapsed = 10 h 35 min. Candidate must show at least one compensating step (BST forward, Japan unchanged) for both M1s.

**(c) M1** Value of ¥80,000 at sell rate (the rate at which the yen was bought) =  $80,000/185 =$  £432.43. Loss =  $600 - 147.01 - 432.43 =$  £20.56.

**A1** Percentage loss =  $20.56/600 \times 100 \approx$  **3.4%** (accept 3.4–3.5%).

**A1** Comment: friend is partly right – there *is* a loss (commission plus the buy/sell spread) – but it is not avoidable for the spending Iwan actually did in Japan, so calling it “always loses money” is unfair (oe; accept any sensible engagement with the spread or with the spending constraint).

## Question 5

**(11 marks)**

**(a) M1** Valley:  $(1 + \frac{0.048}{4})^4 - 1$ .

**A1** AER = **4.887%** (accept 4.886–4.888%).

**M1** Coastal:  $(1 + \frac{0.0475}{12})^{12} - 1$ .

**A1** AER = **4.854%** (accept 4.853–4.855%); choose *Valley Bank*.

**(b) M1** C:  $5000 \times (1 + 3 \times 0.055) =$  £5,825.00.

**M1** D:  $5000 \times 1.045^3 =$  £5,705.83.

**A1** State  $5825 > 5705.83$ ; C is larger. Both values required.

**(c) M1** Test successive years. At  $n = 9$ : C = £7,475, D =  $5000 \times 1.045^9 =$  £7,430.51. At  $n = 10$ : C = £7,750, D =  $5000 \times 1.045^{10} =$  £7,764.83.

**A1** Year **10** – D first overtakes C (cao).

**(d) M1** Compute  $1.045^{16}$  via repeated squaring (or direct):  $1.045^2 = 1.092025$ ; square:  $^4 = 1.192519$ ; square:  $^8 = 1.422101$ ; square:  $^{16} = 2.022370$ .

**A1**  $1.045^{16} \approx 2.0224 > 2$ ; hence the balance  $5000 \times 1.045^{16} \approx$  £10,111.85  $>$  £10,000, so D more than doubles within 16 years (oe). Reject answers that merely cite the rule-of-72 shortcut.

## Question 6

**(10 (incl. 2 OCW) marks)**

**(a) Total profit – with OCW. M1** Identify Branwen’s ratio share as  $\frac{5}{6+5+4+3} = \frac{5}{18}$  of total profit  $T$ .

**M1** Recognise £348 = 80% of Branwen’s share (reverse the 20% donation; do *not* add 20%).

**A1** Branwen’s share =  $348/0.80 =$  £435.00.

**M1**  $\frac{5}{18}T = 435 \Rightarrow T = 435 \times \frac{18}{5}$ .

**A1**  $T =$  £ **1,566.00** (cao).

**A1** Concluding sentence with units (e.g. “The total profit for the year was £1,566”).

**C1** (OCW) Working in connected sentences; explicit fraction statement; clear reversal of the 20% reduction; concluding sentence.

**C1** (OCW) Correct notation throughout (pound signs, aligned equals, no spelling errors obscuring meaning).

- (b) **M1** Dafydd =  $\frac{3}{18} \times 1566$  (ft).  
**A1** = £ **261.00** (cao).

### Question 7

(10 marks)

(a) **B1** Cardiff-only sample is biased: it would over-represent Cardiff members and miss any differences between branches in opinion.

**B1** A stratified sample reflects the membership split across all four branches in proportion, so generalises better to the whole chain (oe).

(b) **M1** Total members =  $1800+1200+900+600 = 4500$ ; proportions of 200:  $\frac{1800}{4500}, \frac{1200}{4500}, \frac{900}{4500}, \frac{600}{4500}$  of 200.

**A1** Cardiff = 80, Newport =  $53.33 \dots \rightarrow$  **53**, Bridgend = **40**, Aberystwyth =  $26.67 \dots \rightarrow$  **27**; sum = 200 (must sum exactly to 200; accept any sensible rounding that totals 200).

(c) *Two-way table completion.* **M1** Male strength =  $92 - 35 - 15 = 42$ ; hence female strength =  $60 - 42 = 18$ .

**M1** Female total =  $200 - 92 = 108$ ; check  $46 + 18 + 44 = 108$  (consistent).

**M1** Cardio total =  $35 + 46 = 81$ ; yoga total =  $15 + 44 = 59$ ; check  $81 + 60 + 59 = 200$ .

**A1** All five missing cells correct: Male strength **42**, Female strength **18**, Female total **108**, Cardio total **81**, Yoga total **59** (cao).

(d) **M1**  $P(\text{strength} \mid \text{male}) = \frac{\text{Male strength}}{\text{Male total}} = \frac{42}{92}$ .

**A1** =  $\frac{21}{46}$  (simplified;  $\text{gcd}(42, 92) = 2$ ).

### Question 8

(11 marks)

(a) **M1**  $E = kmv^2$  (joint-proportion form).

**M1** Sub  $m = 4, v = 3, E = 18$ :  $18 = k \times 4 \times 9 = 36k \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{2}$ .

**A1**  $E = \frac{1}{2}mv^2$  (cao; oe  $E = mv^2/2$ ).

(b) **M1** Sub  $m = 6, v = 5$ :  $E = \frac{1}{2} \times 6 \times 25$ .

**A1**  $E = 75$  J (cao).

(c) **B1** Length:  $1.55 \leq L < 1.65$  m; width:  $0.825 \leq W < 0.875$  m; depth:  $0.55 \leq D < 0.65$  m (at least two correct).

**B1** Density:  $997.5 \leq \rho < 1002.5$  kg/m<sup>3</sup> (all four bounds correct for full B1 .2).

(d) **M1** UB volume =  $1.65 \times 0.875 \times 0.65 = 0.93844$  m<sup>3</sup>; UB density = 1002.5.

**A1** UB mass =  $0.93844 \times 1002.5 = 940.78 \dots \approx$  **941** kg (cao; accept 940–941 kg).

(e) **M1** LB mass =  $1.55 \times 0.825 \times 0.55 \times 997.5 = 0.70331 \times 997.5 \approx 701.55$  kg; compare to UB  $\approx 941$  kg.

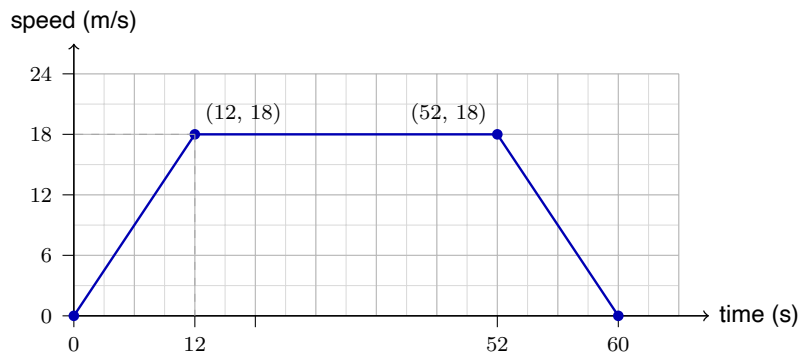
**A1** Both bounds agree only when rounded to the nearest 1000 kg (since 701 and 941 both round to 1000); to nearest 100 kg they give 700 and 900, which disagree. Reliable answer is therefore **1000** kg to the nearest 1000 kg (oe; must justify with the comparison).

**Question 9****(11 marks)****(a) M1** Area under speed-time graph: triangle + rectangle + triangle.

**M1**  $= \frac{1}{2} \times 12 \times 18 + 40 \times 18 + \frac{1}{2} \times 8 \times 18 = 108 + 720 + 72.$

**A1** Total distance = **900 m** (cao).**(b) M1** Total time =  $12 + 40 + 8 = 60$  s; convert  $900 \text{ m} = 0.9 \text{ km}$  and  $60 \text{ s} = \frac{1}{60} \text{ h}.$ 

**M1** Average speed =  $0.9 \div \frac{1}{60}.$

**A1** = **54 km/h** (cao; alt:  $15 \text{ m/s} \times 3.6 = 54 \text{ km/h}.$ **(c)****B1** Rising segment  $(0, 0) \rightarrow (12, 18)$  and horizontal segment to  $(52, 18)$  drawn with axes labelled.**B1** Decelerating segment  $(52, 18) \rightarrow (60, 0)$ ; the speed  $18 \text{ m/s}$  and key times  $(12, 52, 60)$  labelled.**(d) M1** Initial:  $7x + 4x = 11x = 165 \Rightarrow x = 15$ ; apples =  $105$ , pears =  $60$ . After: apples =  $105 - 21 = 84$ , pears =  $60 + p$ .

**M1** Apply ratio  $2 : 3$ :  $\frac{84}{60 + p} = \frac{2}{3} \Rightarrow 252 = 2(60 + p) = 120 + 2p.$

**A1** Pears delivered =  $p = \frac{252 - 120}{2} = \mathbf{66}$  (cao).

**Total:**  $5 + 8 + 4 + 10 + 11 + 10 + 10 + 11 + 11 = \mathbf{80}$  marks.*OCW marks (Q6): the 2 OCW marks are included in the question total of 10. To award full OCW the candidate's working must read as connected English sentences.**This mark scheme is a revise.wales mock paper aid and is not an official WJEC publication. © revise.wales 2026.*