

Lesson Element

Cash Flow Problems

Instructions and answers for teachers

These instructions should accompany the OCR resource 'Cash Flow Problems' activity which supports OCR A Level Business.

The screenshot shows a document titled 'A LEVEL BUSINESS Lesson Element Cash Flow Problems'. It includes a 'Research' section about Woolworths' decline in 2009, a link to a BBC News article, and a question about the reasons for Woolworths' poor cash flow in 2008. Below the question is a large empty box for student answers. An 'Extension' section asks students to research another business with cash flow problems and produce a report covering specific points: describing the business, analyzing reasons for cash flow problems, and evaluating the most influential reason. It also offers two options for the report: evaluating solutions or recommending a possible solution. The OCR logo is visible in the bottom right corner.

The Activity:

Cash Flow Problems Activity



This activity offers an opportunity for English skills development.



This activity offers an opportunity for maths skills development.

ICT Opportunity:

Use BBC News stories to research the downfall of Woolworths. Create a timeline of the downfall of Woolworths on Word. Each student could create a 'stop' on the timeline to create a wall display.



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Research

Woolworths was a high street retailer that closed their doors for the last time in 2009. One of the major problems the business faced was poor cash flow.

Research the decline of Woolworths using the link below:

<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/7751064.stm>

What were the main reasons for Woolworths poor cash flow in 2008?

Research another business that has suffered from cash flow problems. Produce a report that covers the following:

- Describe the nature of the business
- Analyse the reasons for the businesses cash flow problems
- Evaluate and make a judgement about which reason was the most influential to the businesses cash flow problem

Extension

Add a section to your report either:

- Evaluating the solutions that your chosen business used to overcome the cash flow problems

OR

- Recommending a possible solution to the businesses cash flow problems

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