



SAMPLE LEARNER WORK WITH COMMENTARY

UNIT R002: USING ICT TO CREATE BUSINESS SOLUTIONS





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INTRODUCTION

This is a guide for teachers so that you can see how we would mark work, Cambridge Nationals are designed to give the learners the project and let them create the work.

The guide contains sample learner work for this unit and covers all learning objectives, graded at Marking Band 1 (MB1) and Marking Band 3 (MB3).

The accompanying commentary explains why each piece of work was awarded its grade.

For MB1 graded work, additional guidance has been added to suggest improvements that could be made to make it an MB2 graded piece of work.

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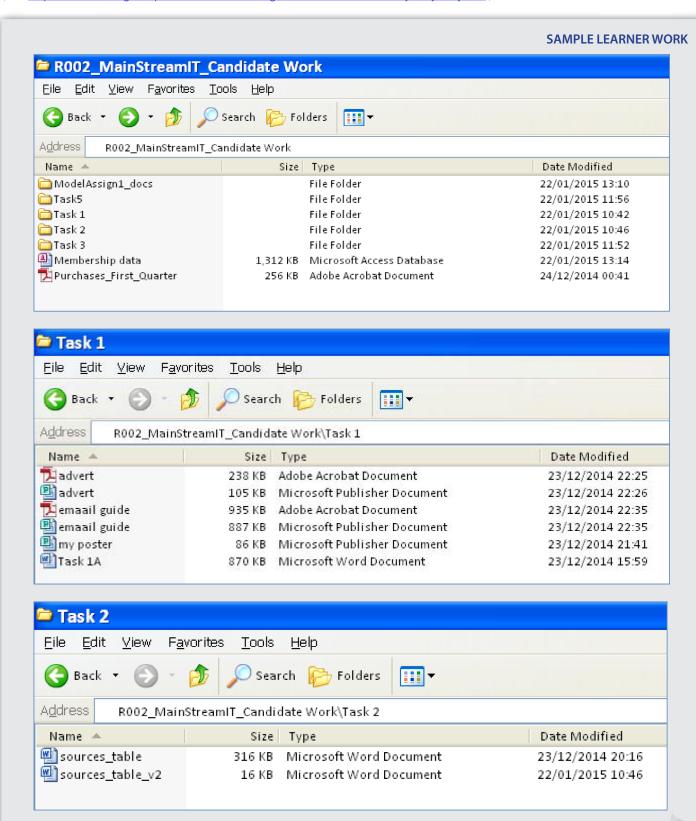
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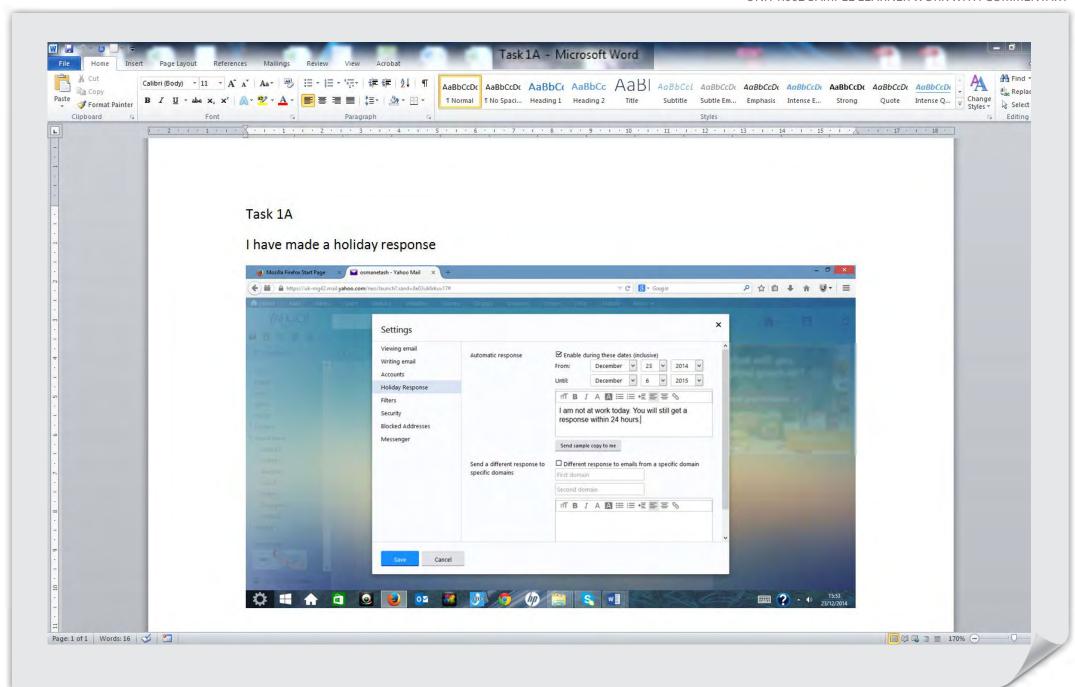
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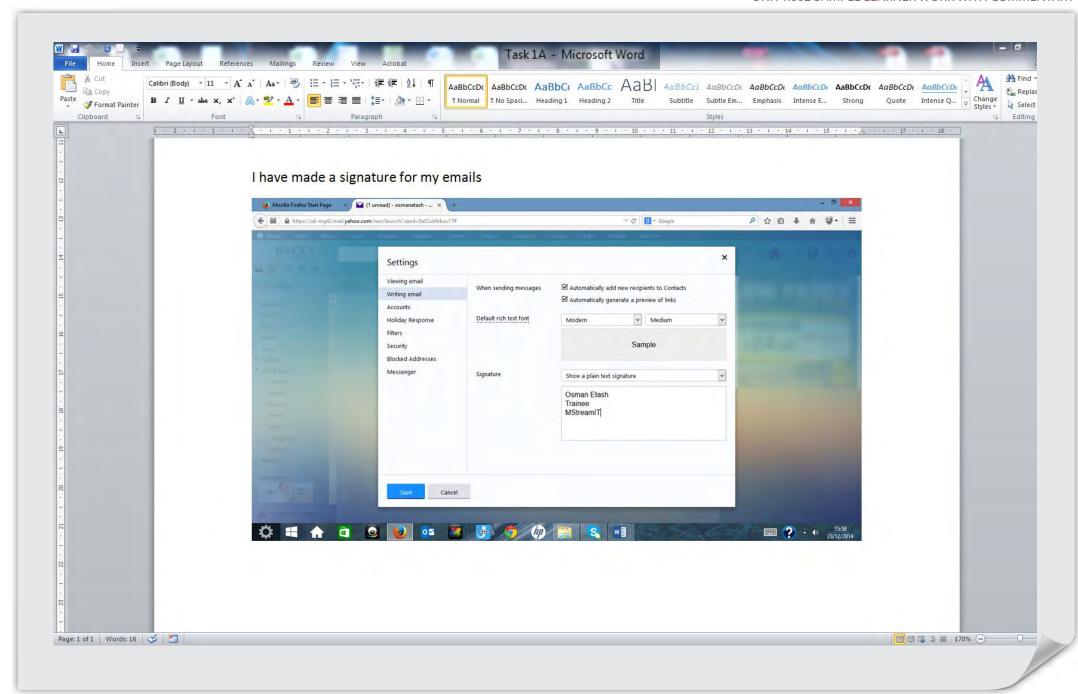
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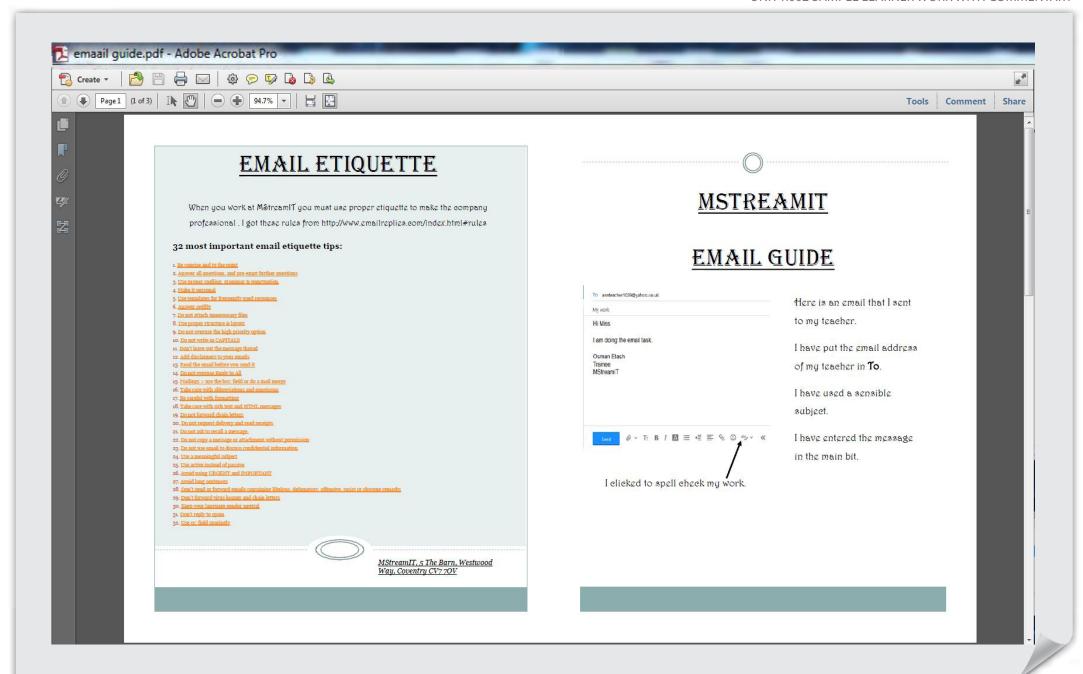
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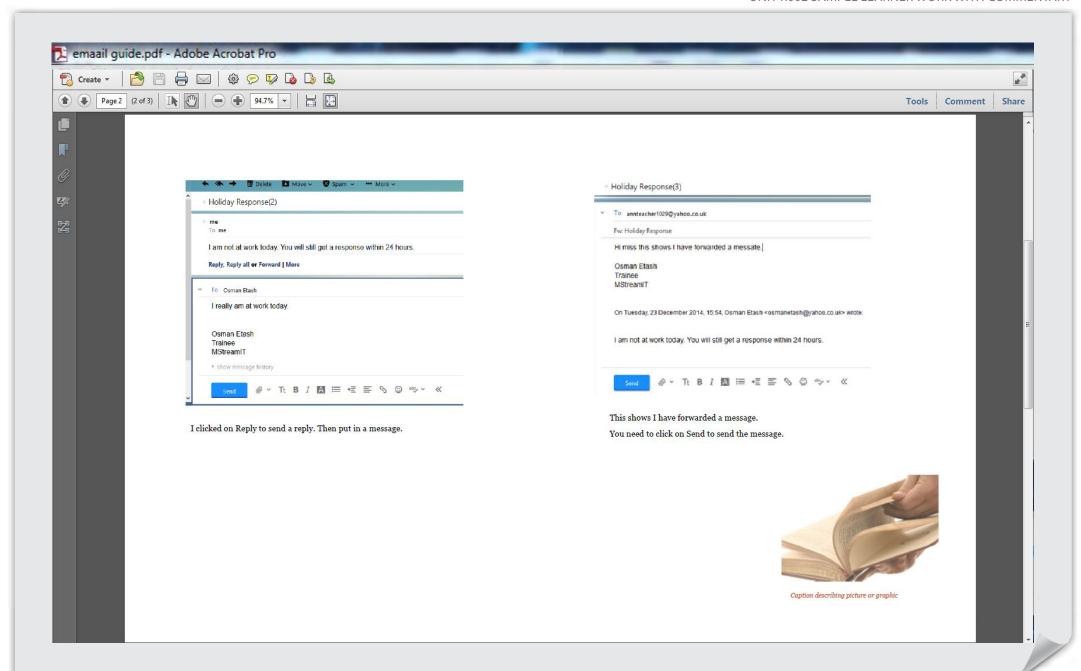


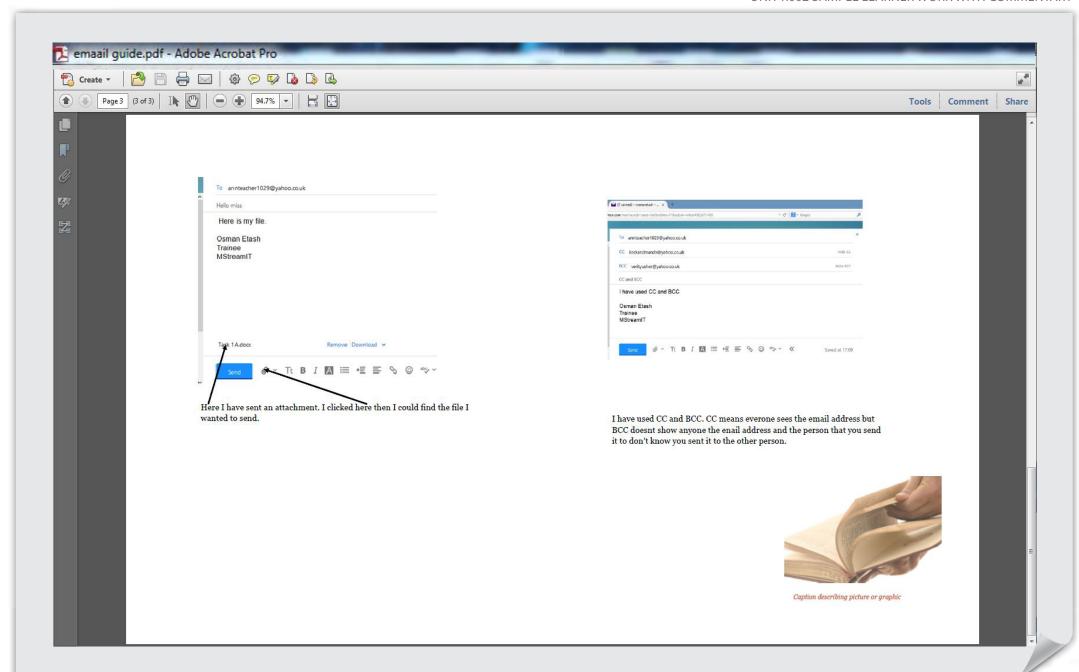
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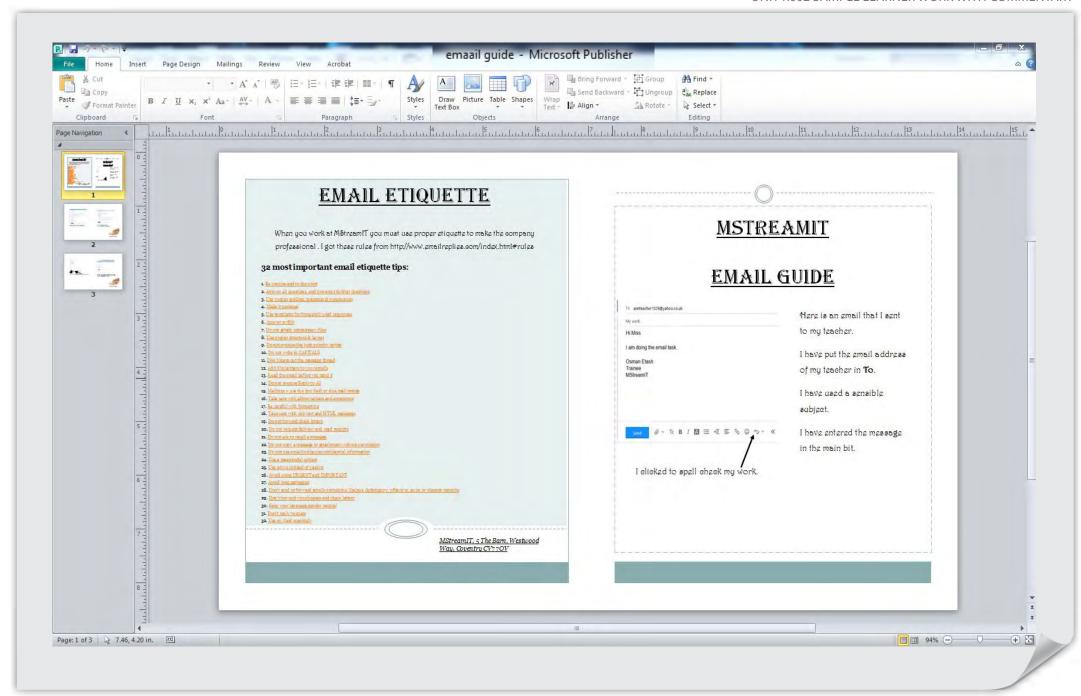


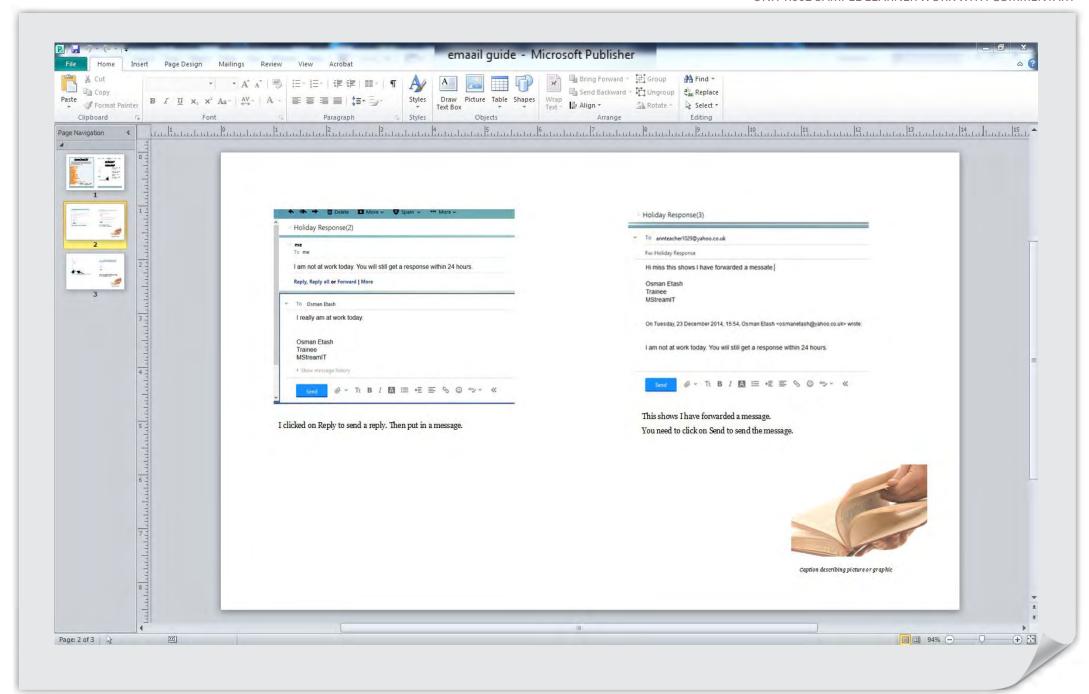


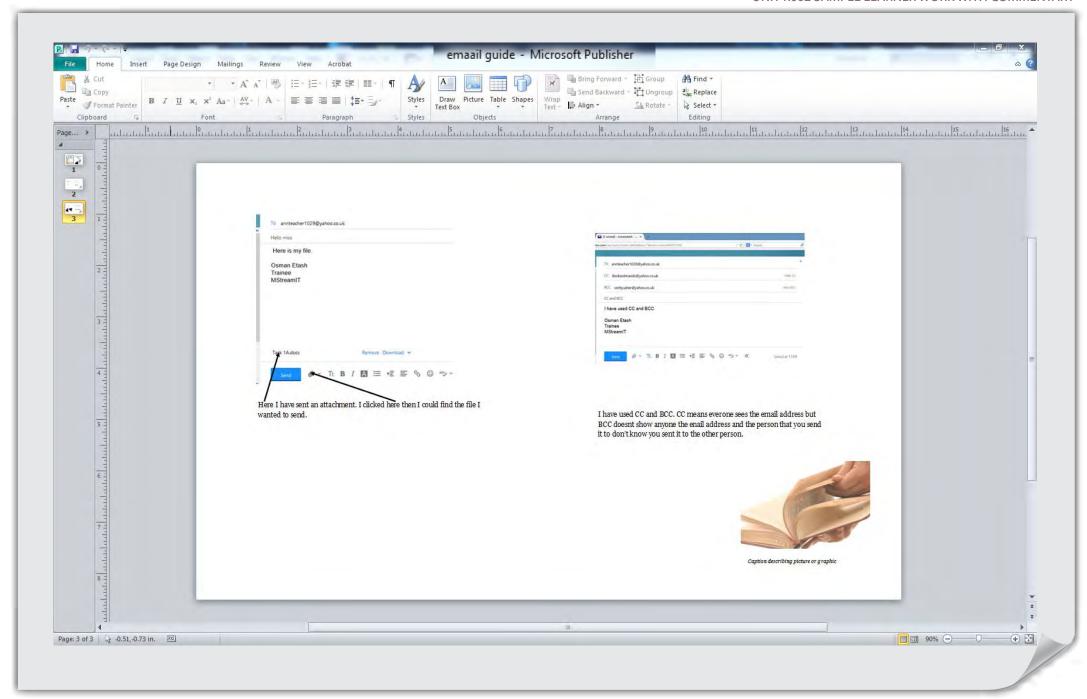


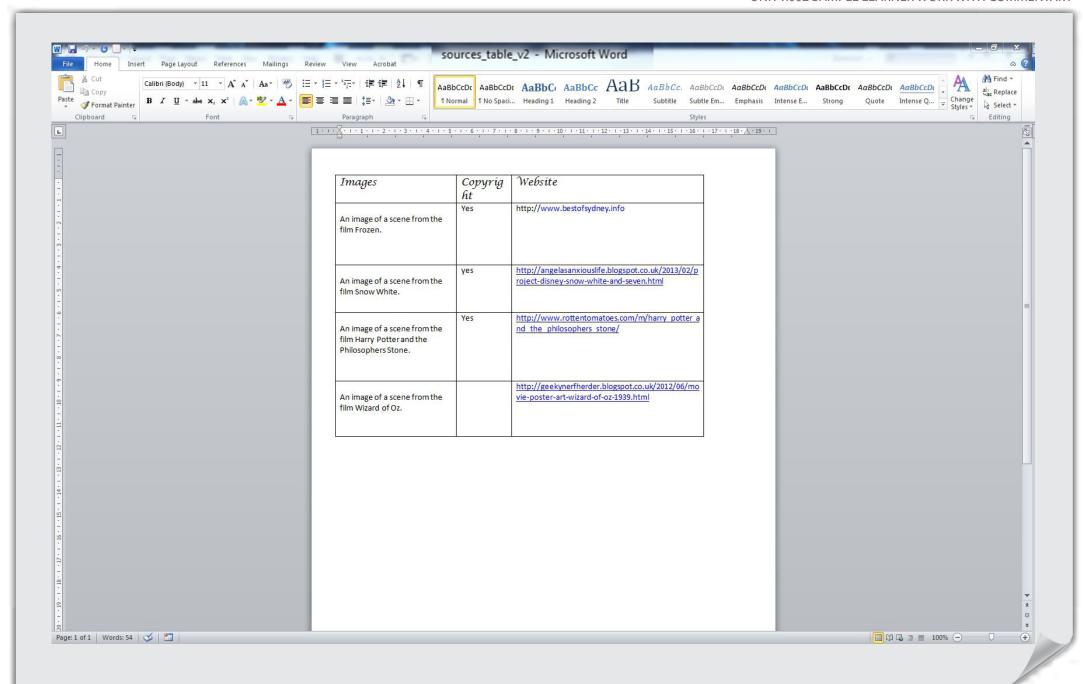












Marking commentary on MB1 sample learner work

The learner has created a basic folder structure to store their files although the names of the folders are not really appropriate for use in business. Some files (approximately 50%) have meaningful names, although this is not consistent and some have spelling errors eg'emaail guide'. Some files have been stored logically within the folder structure but a number of files have been left in the main folder. This is a typical MB1 response to this task. Task 6 has not been completed so there is no evidence of backup or any security measures taken to protect files.

The learner has produced an email guide but not in the context of the assignment. They have simply demonstrated that they can use the common tools and feature. The explanations of these are tools and features are basic, demonstrating only a limited understanding. The email etiquette guide has been copied and pasted from another source without any explanation, even though the source has been acknowledged, the learner cannot be credited with any understanding. For this to be credited the learner would have needed to provide their own explanations. The email guide would not really be suitable MStreamIT staff and this must be taken into consideration when awarding a mark for learning outcome 3.

The learner has not provided any evidence of the search criteria used therefore no credit can be awarded for this part of the learning outcome. Although they have found images that might be suitable they have only provided the URL of the website on which they were found, rather than the details of copyright holder of the actual image. They have therefore not provided the information requested in the assignment and have not fully meet the MB1 requirement for this aspect of the learning outcome.

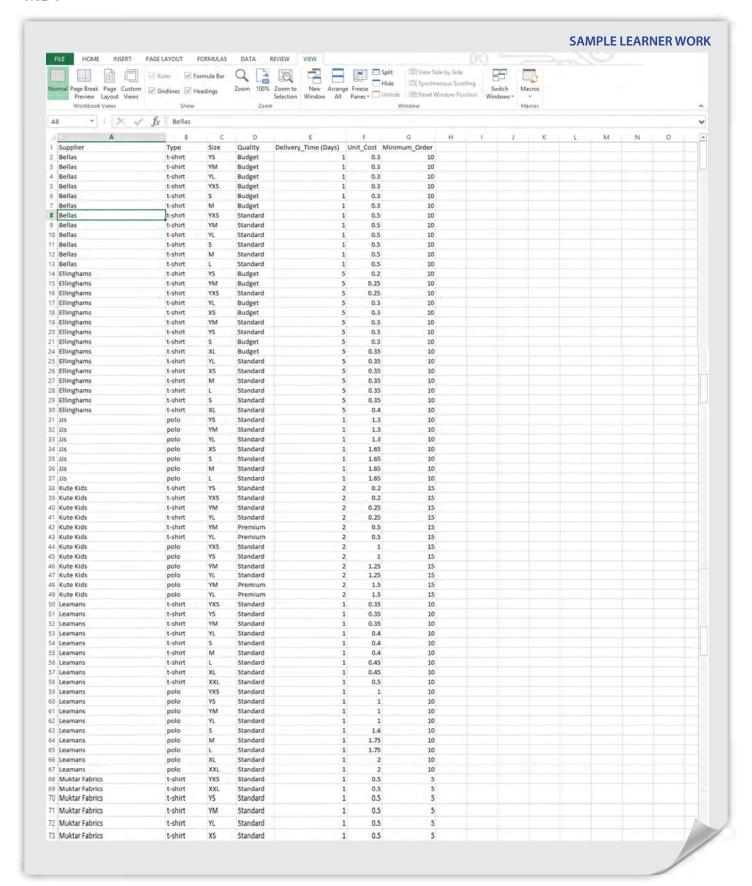
Suggested improvements to progress sample learner work to MB2

To move this into mark band 2 the learner would need to store more files in the appropriate folders, use more suitable file names for at least some of the tasks and attempt Task 6.

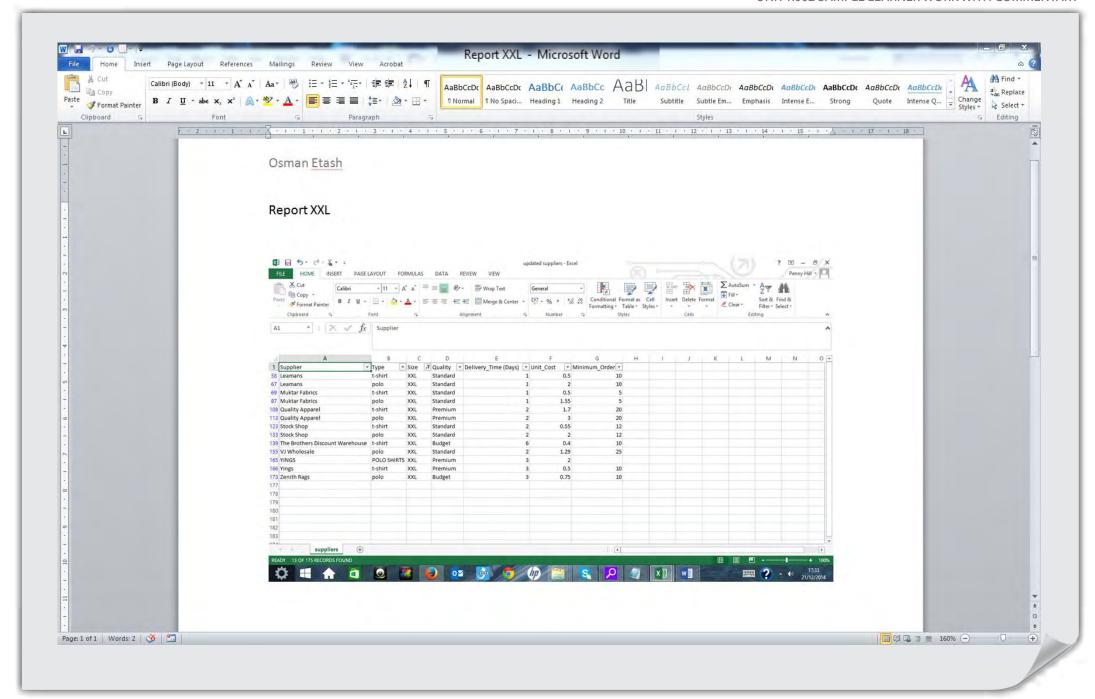
The email guide should be related to the needs of the staff of MStreamIT with better explanations of how the features and facilities could be used by the MStreamIT staff. For example they might have shown how to set up contacts for the staff listed in the scenario and/or they could have shown how to set up folders to store emails.

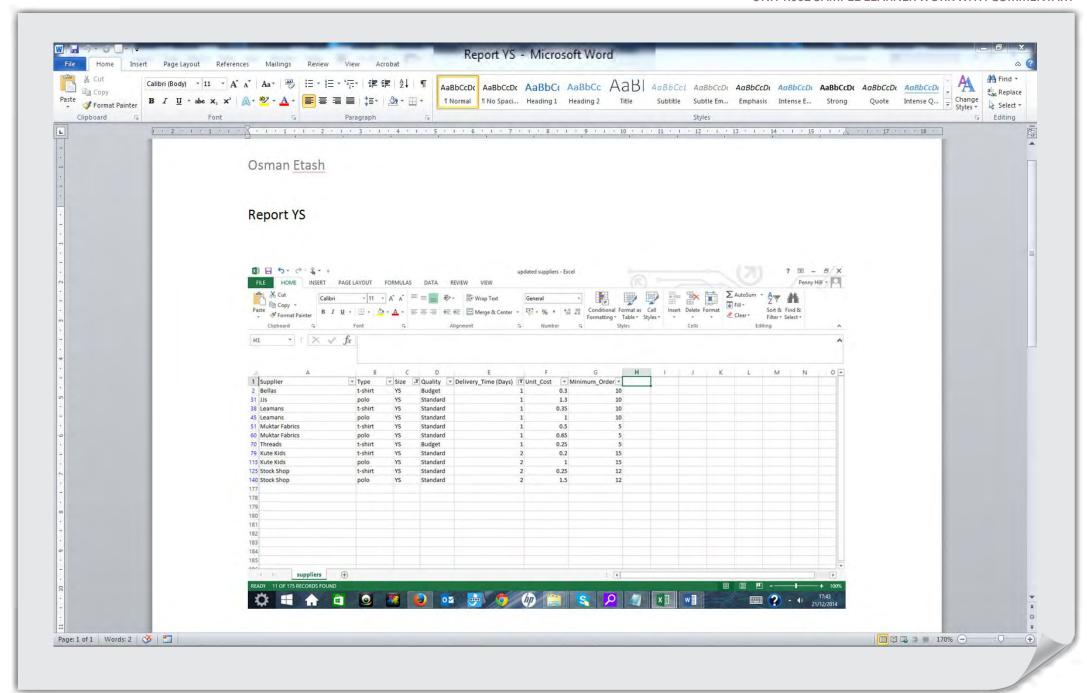
There would need to be evidence that appropriate search criteria had been used with more accurate details of the copyright holders of each of the images.

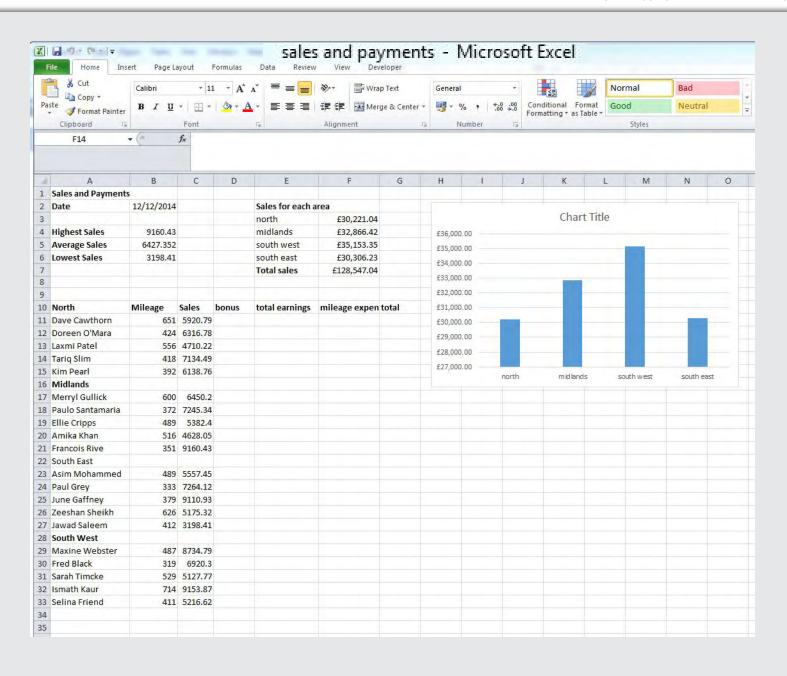
Learning Objective 2 – Be able to select and use software to handle data **MB1**

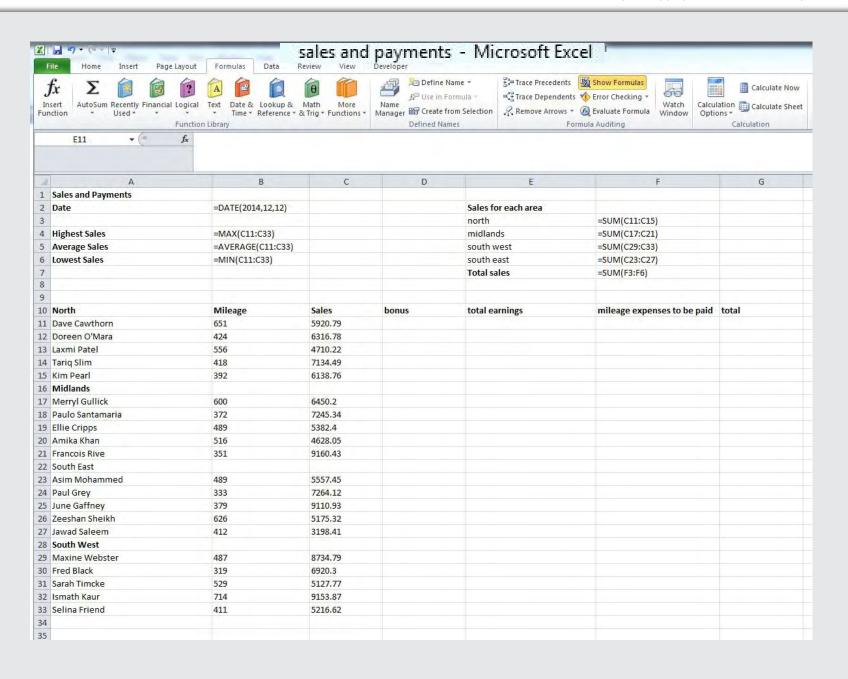


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Marking commentary on MB1 sample learner work

The work for this learning outcome is in response to the JB Clothing Emporium Assignment. In this assignment Task 4 and Task 6 are assessed in this learning outcome.

The learner has used spreadsheet software to complete both data handling tasks. They have attempted all parts of Task 4 - Supplier data. They have successfully deleted the correct record, but have made errors when entering the new record leaving the Minimum_Order field blank. Errors have also been made in entering 'POLO SHIRTS' instead of 'polo' in the Type field, and 2 instead of 2.75 in the Unit_Cost field. In addition they have not followed the case shown in the rest of the data file. Both searches have been carried out by filtering the data; however the data in the second search for 'YS' suppliers who can deliver within 2 days has been sorted incorrectly on the 'Delivery_Time' field rather than the 'Unit Cost' field. An attempt has been made at providing reports but these are screen-shots of the searches put into Word documents so are not entirely fit for purpose.

For Task 6 the learner has imported the data successfully into a spreadsheet. They have accurately completed the first four bullet points of Task 6A but have not attempted to calculate any of the figures for each sales manager. A graph has been created and inserted into the same sheet, but this does not have a main title or axis titles although there are data labels. Task 6c and 6d (the modelling tasks) have not been attempted.

With so many tasks not completed, the learner has not fully met the mark band 1 requirements of 'some' (50%) of the specified requirements for this part of the task.

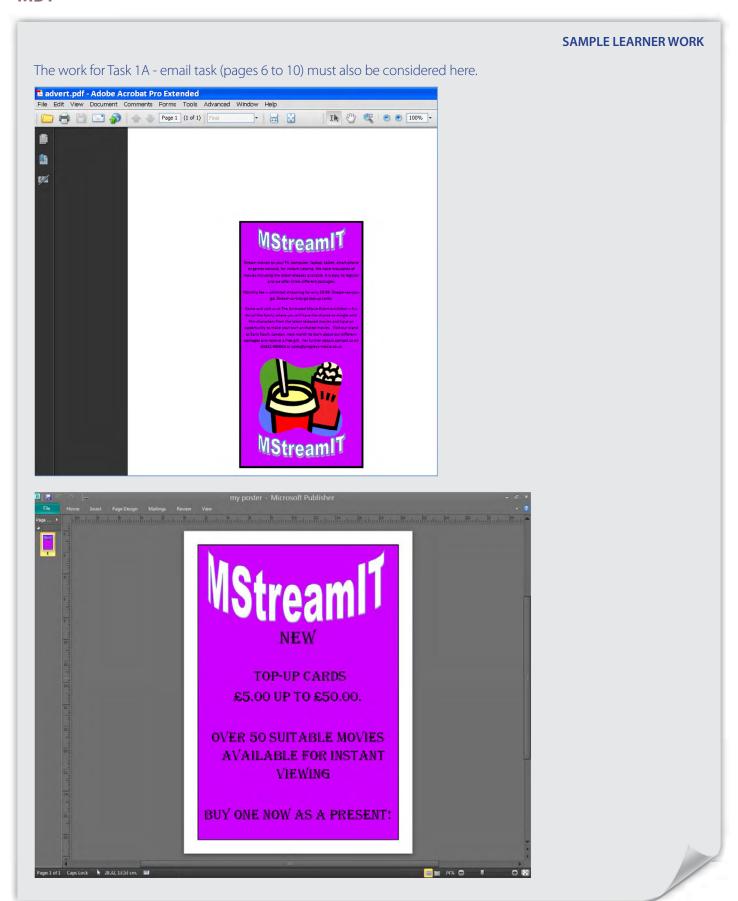
Suggested improvements to progress sample learner work to MB2

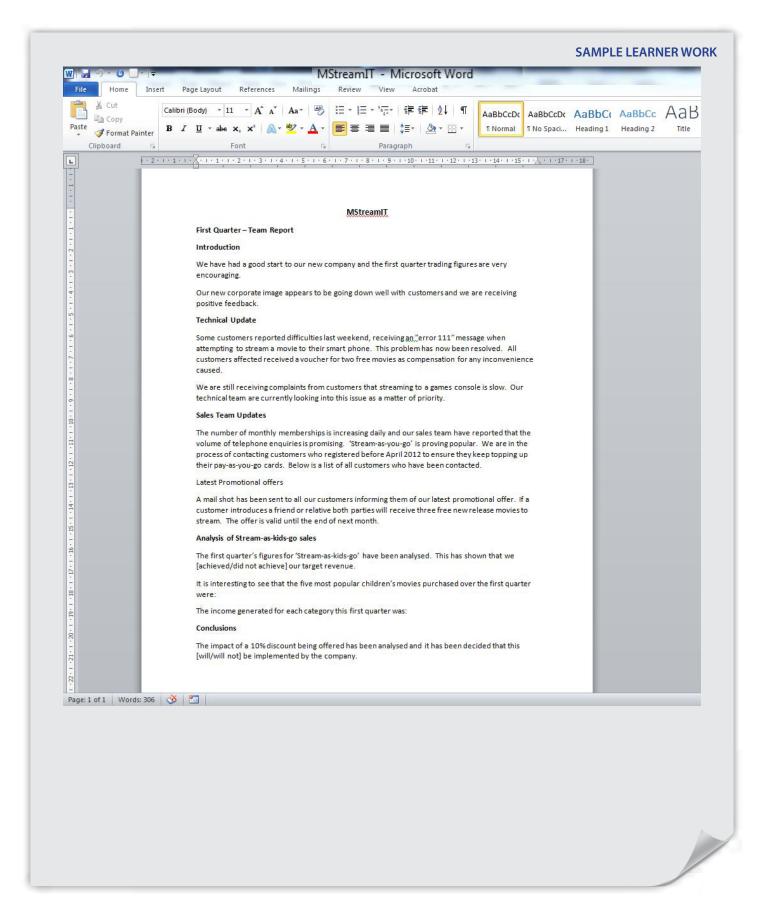
The errors in the edits of the 'Suppliers' data file and the lack of appropriate reports result in only some of the specified requirements having been met for this task. If the edits had been more accurate and/or if the data had been accurately exported into a Word document with an appropriate title then a mark in mark band 2 could have been considered.

For the spreadsheet the learner would need to successfully attempt at least some of the remaining tasks for a mark in mark band 2 to be considered. Although most learners working in mark band 2 would be expected to use both spreadsheet and database software, if most of the tasks been completed successfully a mark in mark band 2 could still be considered provided that the edits were accurate and most of the specified requirements had been met.

Learning Objective 3 – Be able to select and use software to communicate information for a business

MB1





Marking commentary on MB1 sample learner work

The work for this learning outcome is in response to the MStreamIT Assignment.

This learning outcome is assessed using the learners responses to those tasks that involve communicating information using a range of documents that are typically used in business; the specification for this learning outcome lists the range of software that learners are expected to be taught as Word Processing, Desktop Publishing, Presentation, Web page and Graphics.

The learner has created Word and Publisher documents in response to all tasks, this can be considered only as a limited range as required for mark band 1. The learner has used some of the tools and facilities listed in the specification but have not always used these effectively, for example, a template has been used for the email guide and some of the original template text and images remain in the final publication (the book image and the text 'Caption describing picture or graphic'). The advertisement has also been created using publisher and although the actual advertisement is the correct size, the learner has chosen an A4 publication size instead of setting the publication size to suit the advertisement.

For the second part of this learning outcome, the learner has produced a response to most tasks but there are SPAG errors in most documents, in addition the email task is not entirely appropriate for the target audience (see notes in learning outcome 1), the promotional material only promotes the top-up card not the business and there are no contact details. The learner has created a report but only a few of the necessary edits have been completed and those that have been made are not accurate. Overall the limited suitability for the target audience suggests that a mark in mark band 1 would be the most appropriate.

Suggested improvements to progress sample learner work to MB2

To move this into mark band 2 the learner would need to use a greater range of software and would need to use the tools and facilities to better effect.

For the second part of this learning outcome the learner would need to ensure that the documents produced were more suitable for the target audience, for example, the email guide would have a business focus and would explain the features and facilities the MStreamIT staff would need to use and would also explain the importance of email etiquette rather than just providing a copied list. The promotional material would be more comprehensive and would need to promote both the Company and the Top-up Cards and would certainly need to include the company contact details; and the report would include most of the required information.

Learning Objective 4 – Be able to use software tools to format information

This learning outcome assesses the formatting applied to all the tasks created to evidence learning objectives 1, 2 and 3.

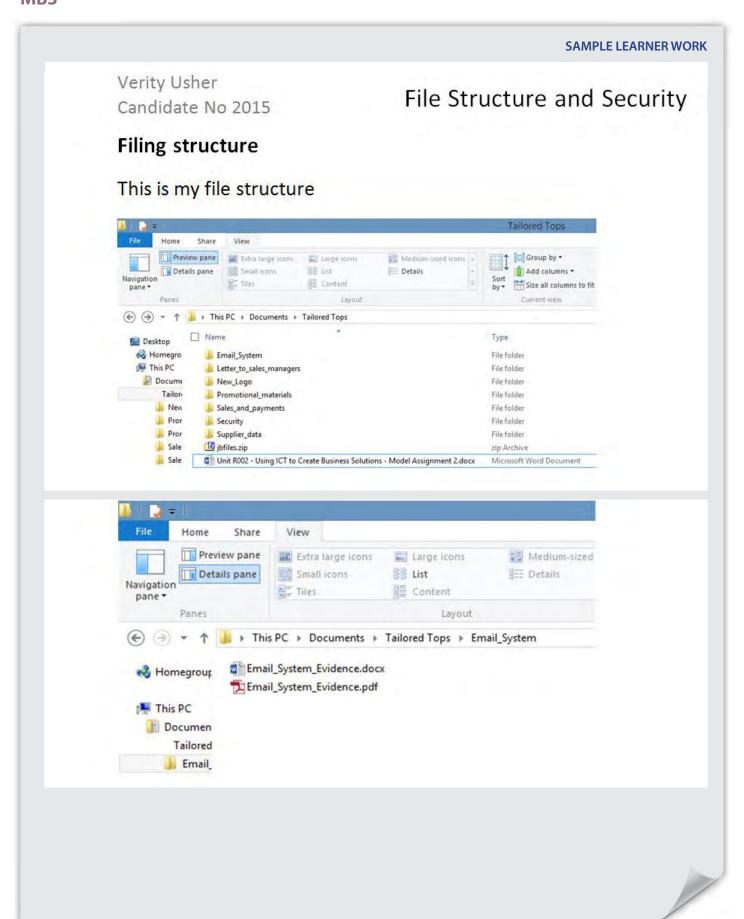
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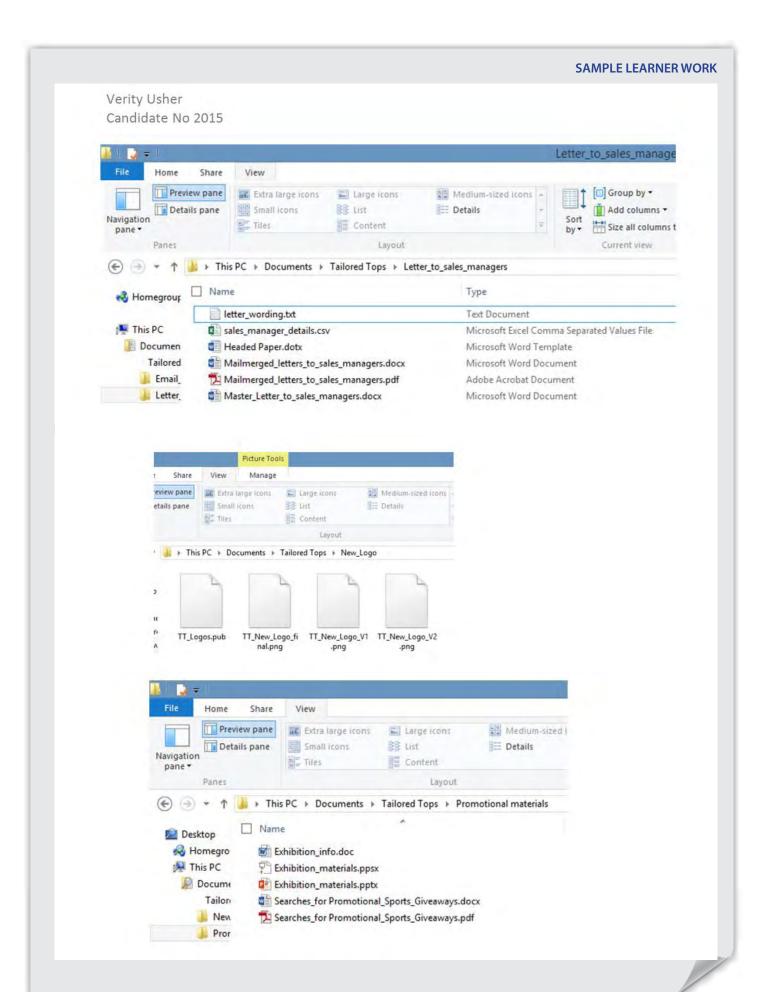
Although the learner has applied some formatting to most documents, they have only used a limited range of the formatting techniques listed in the specification. In addition where formatting has been applied this is not always consistent, for example, the front and back cover of the email guide has been formatted but the default fonts appear to have been used for the remainder of the publication. In some instances the formatting applied has made the text more difficult to read, for example the text in the advertisement and the etiquette list in the email guide is too small. Although the learner has worked independently, the limited range of formatting tools, the inconsistency of their application and the limited impact on the overall appearance results in a mark in mark band 1 being the most appropriate.

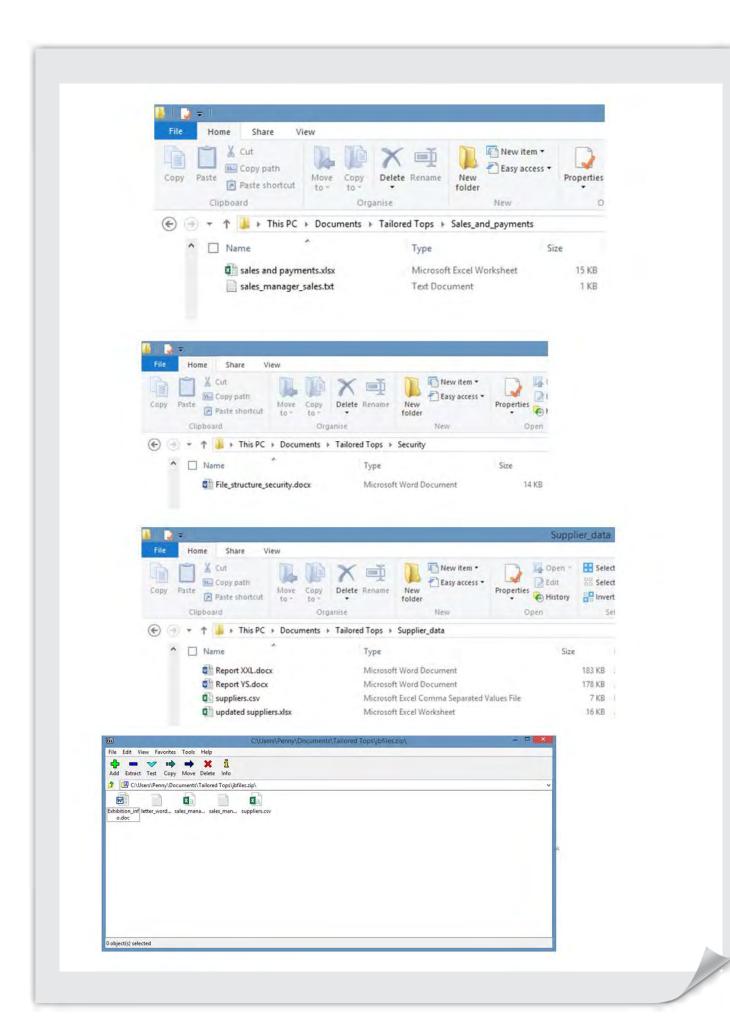
Suggested improvements to progress sample learner work to MB2

To achieve a mark in MB2 the learner would need to use a greater range of the formatting tools listed in the specification. They would also need to improve the consistency of formatting within the documents and ensure that any formatting applied makes the text clear and easy to read.

Learning Objective 1 – Be able to use techniques to search for, store and share information **MB3**





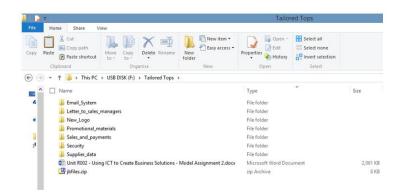


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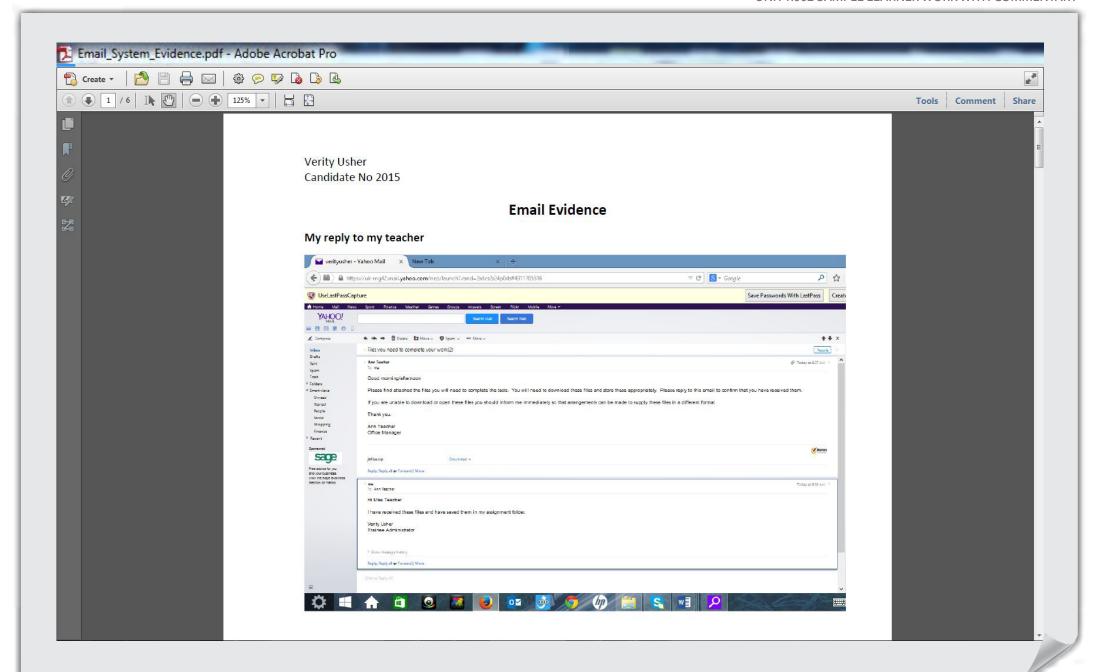
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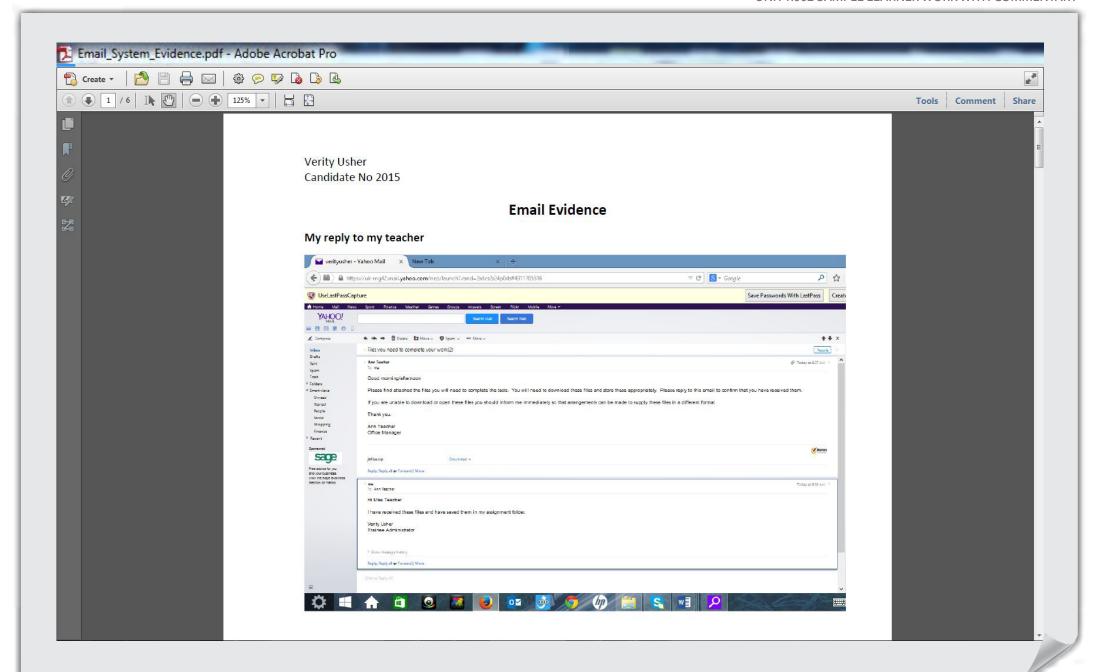
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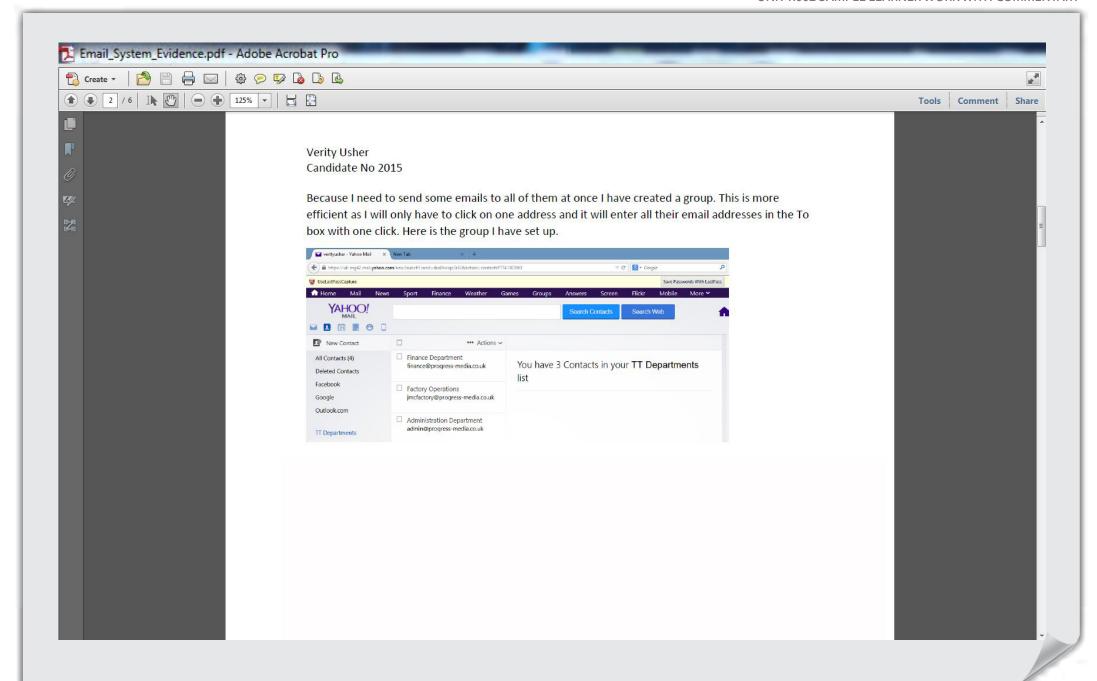


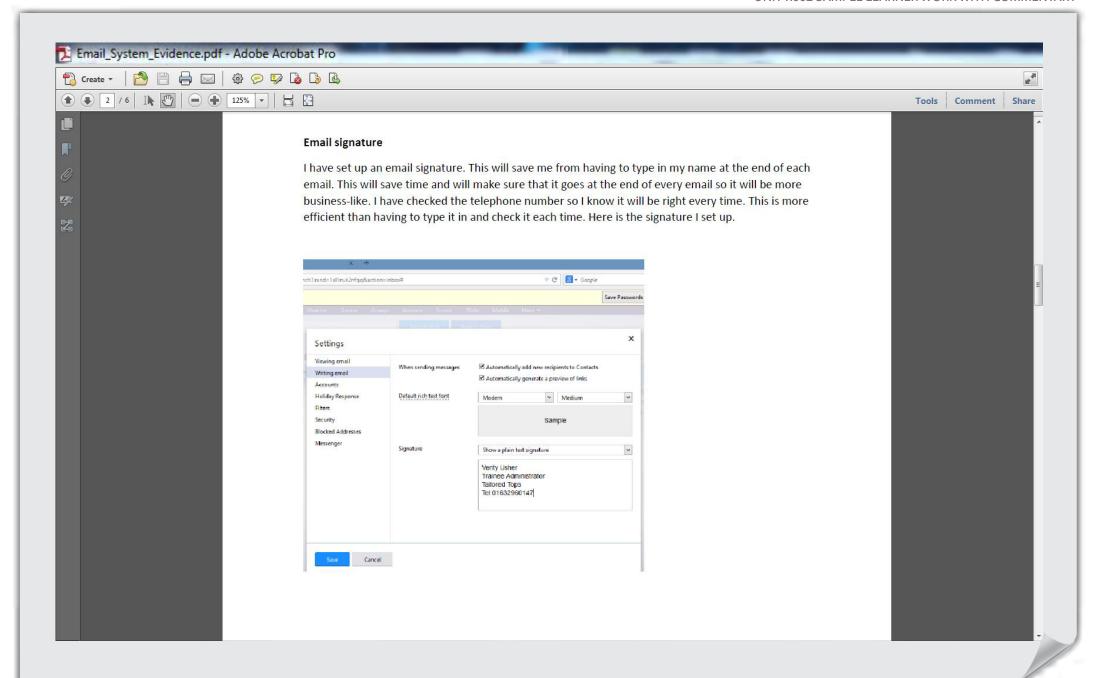
I have password protected my spreadsheet because it has confidential information in it.

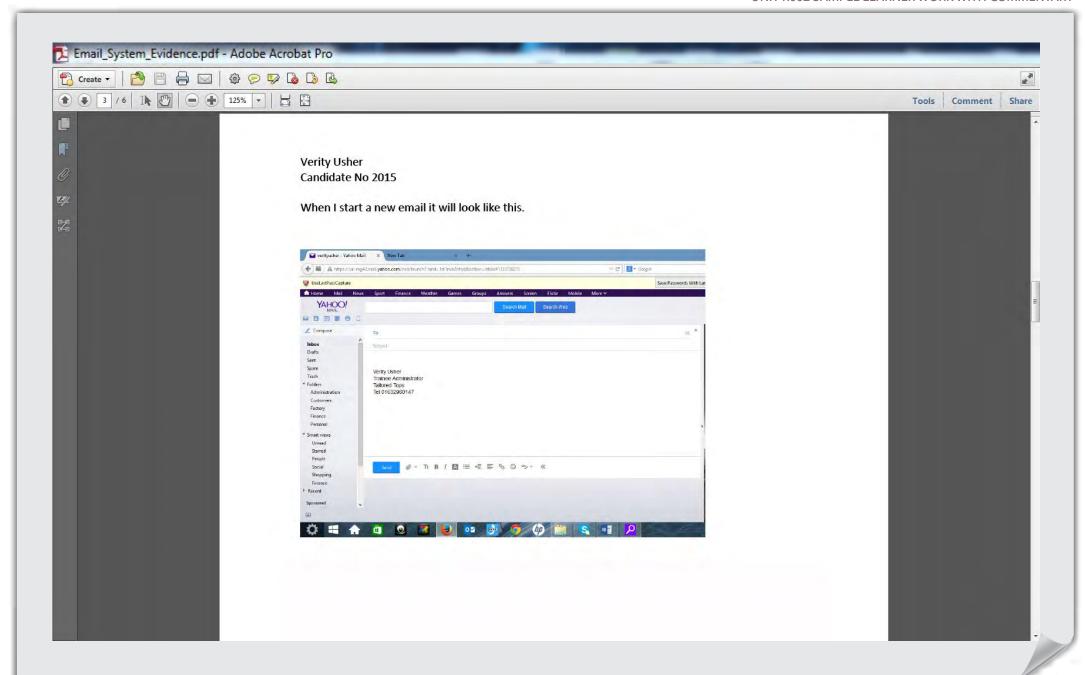


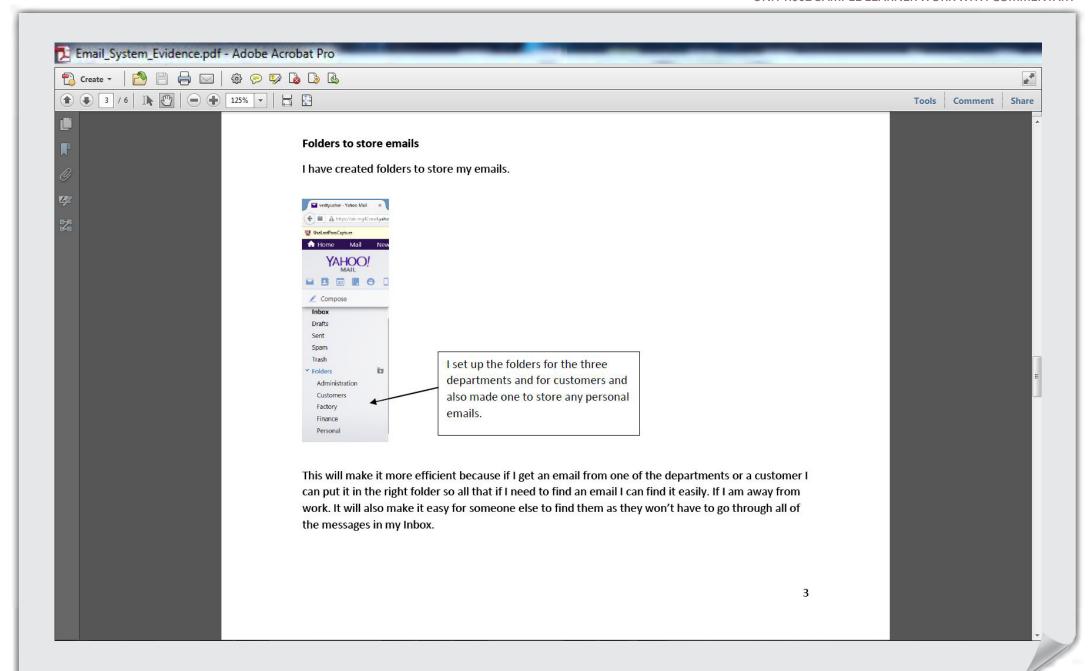


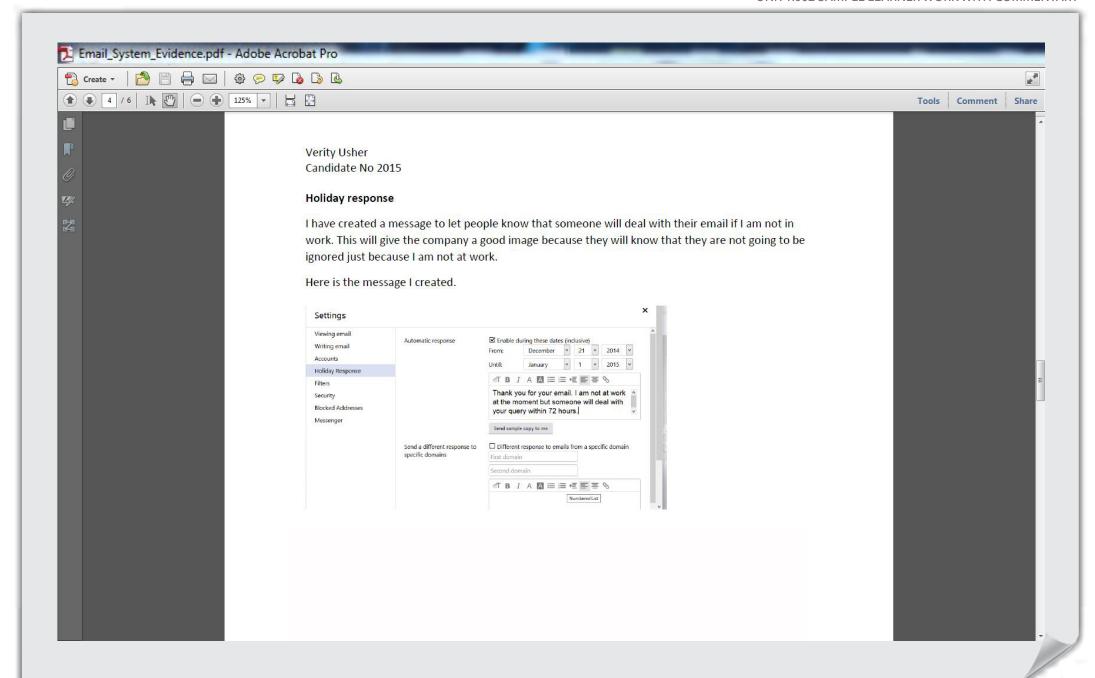


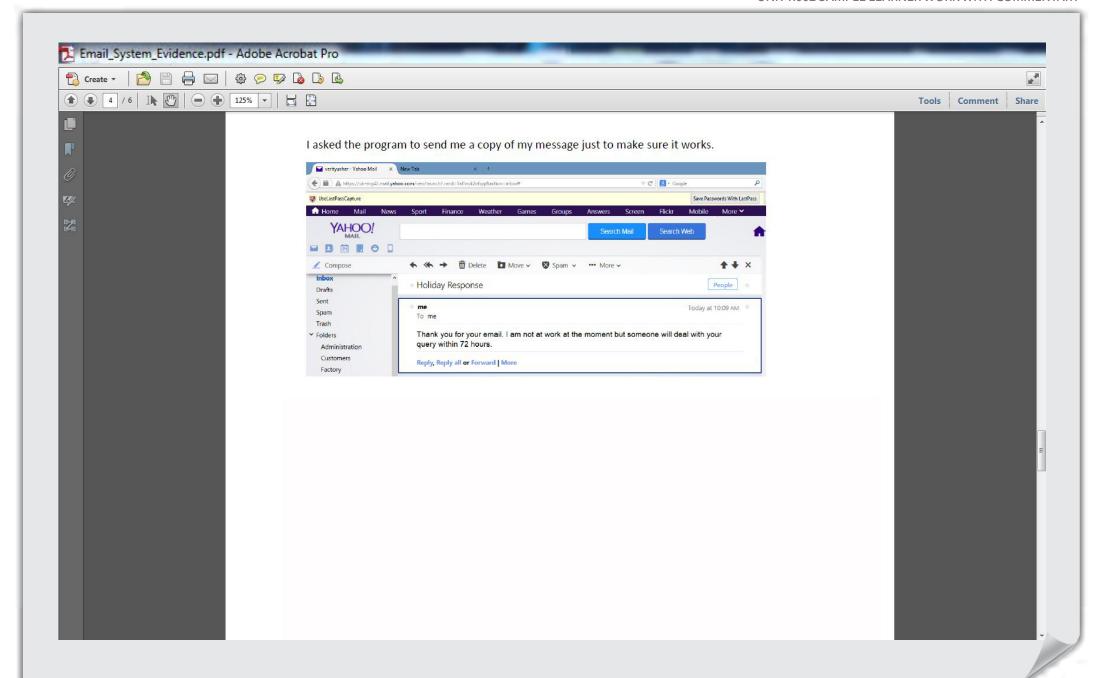


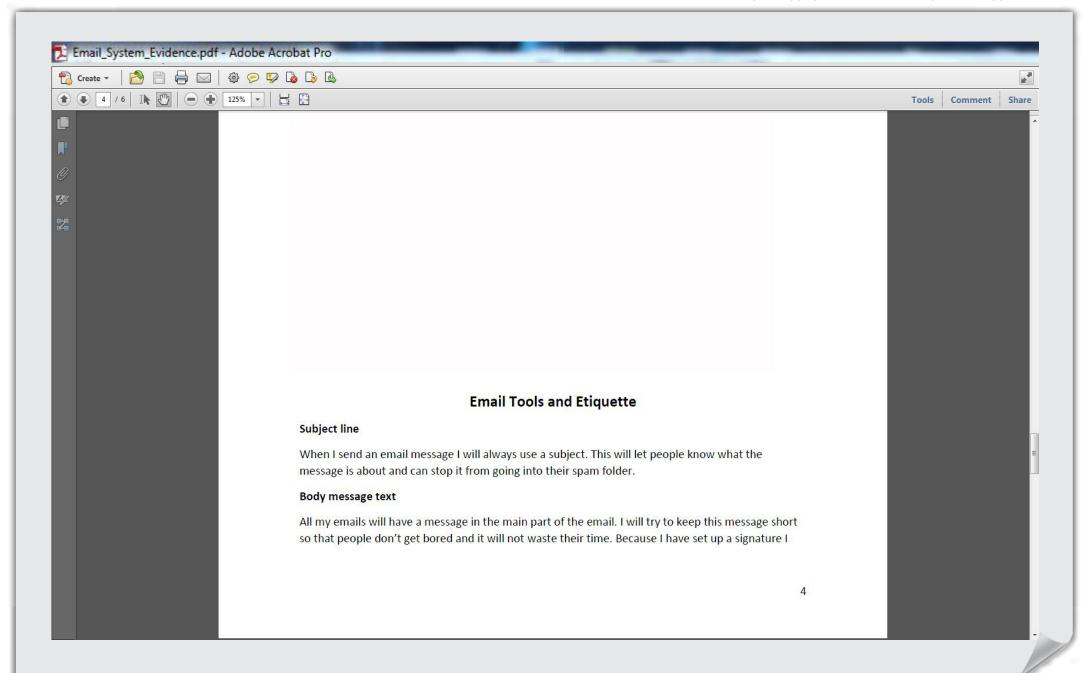


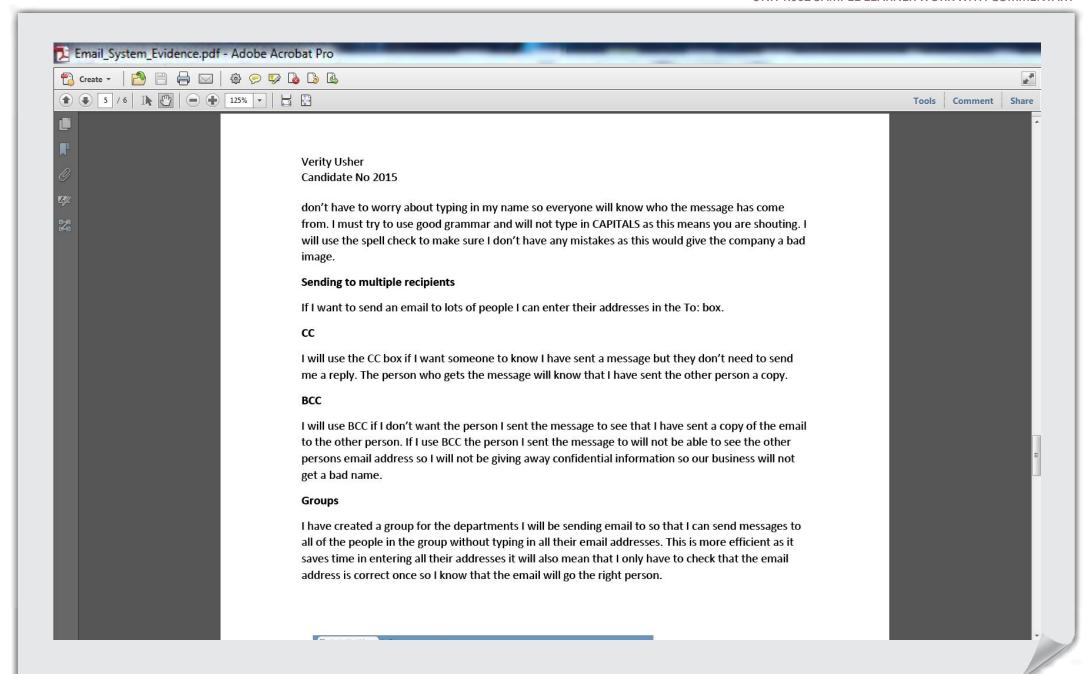


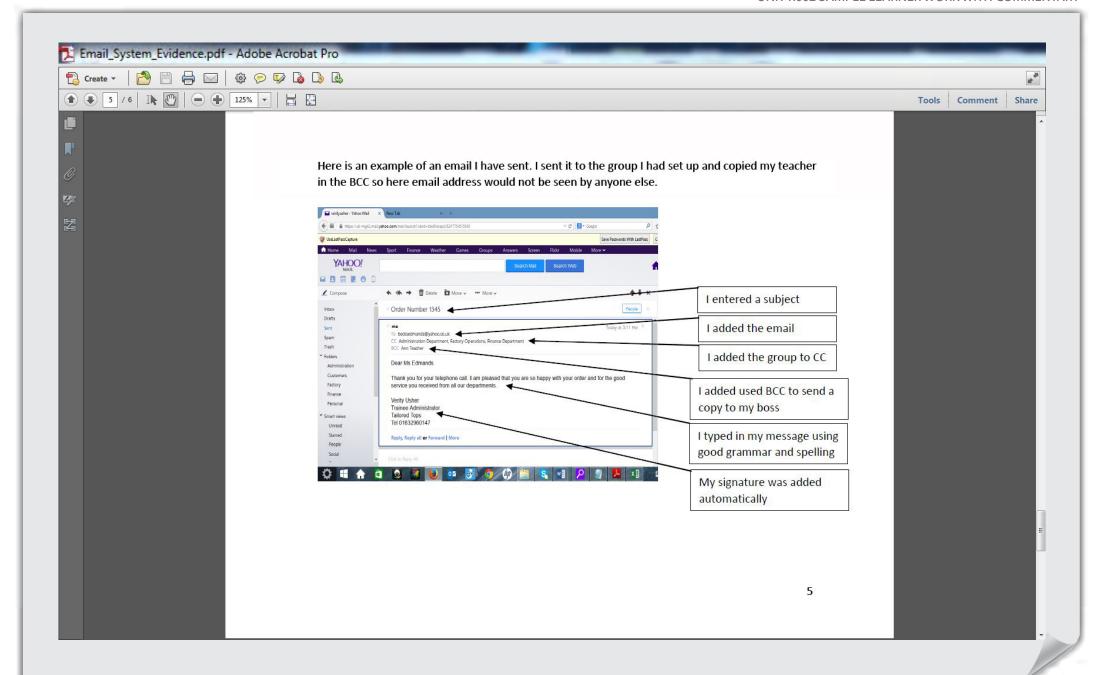


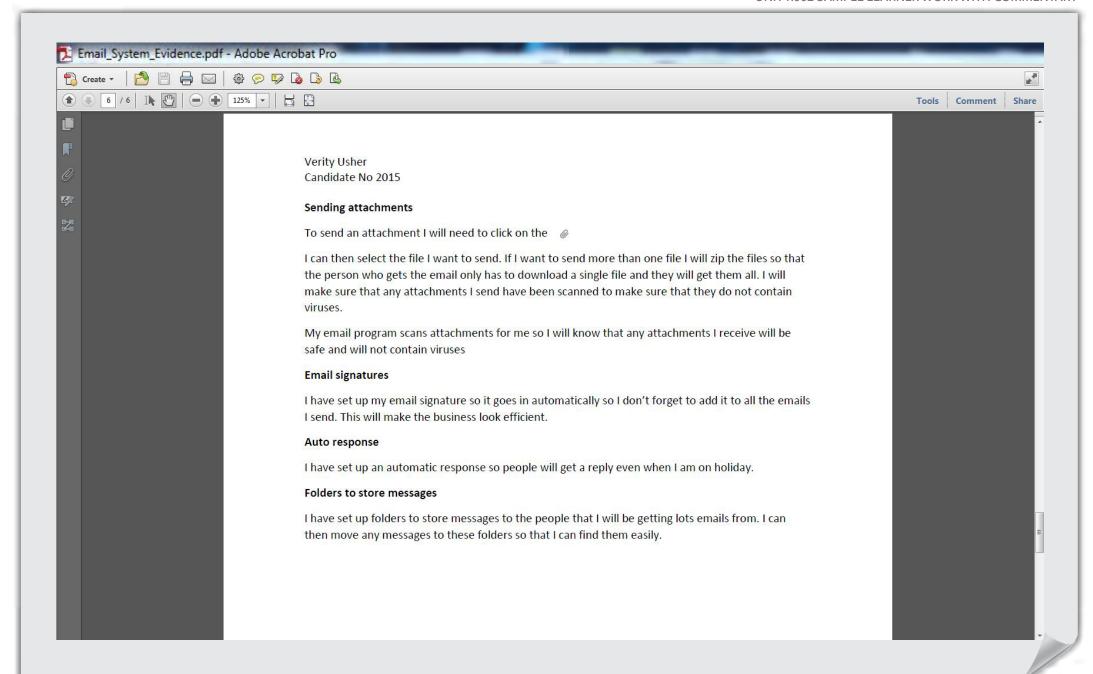


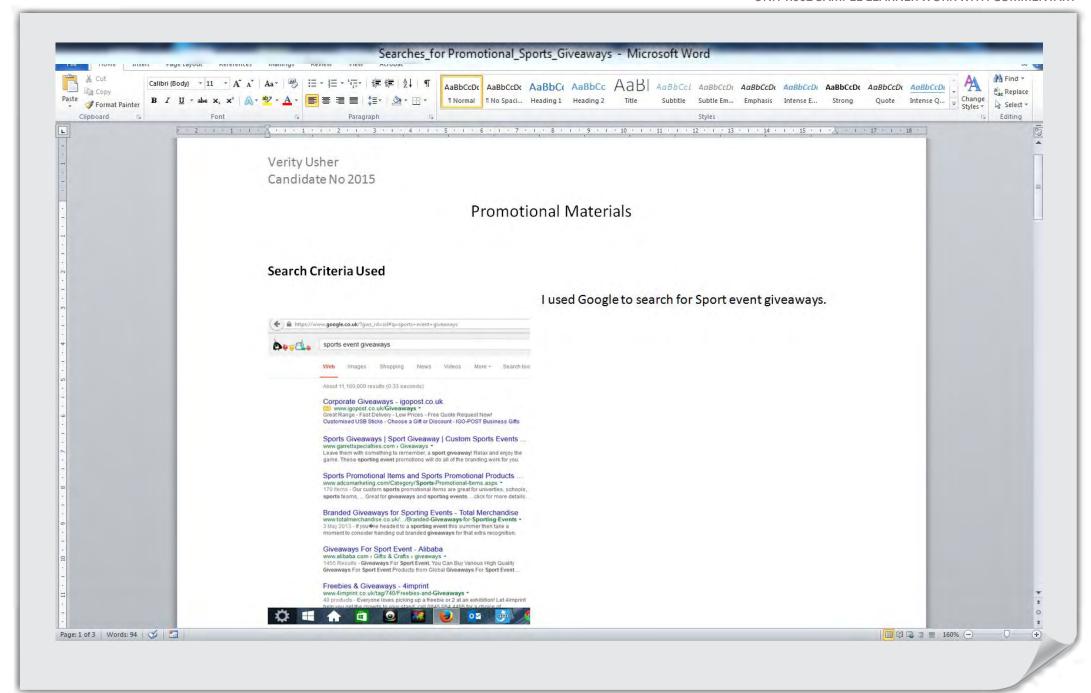


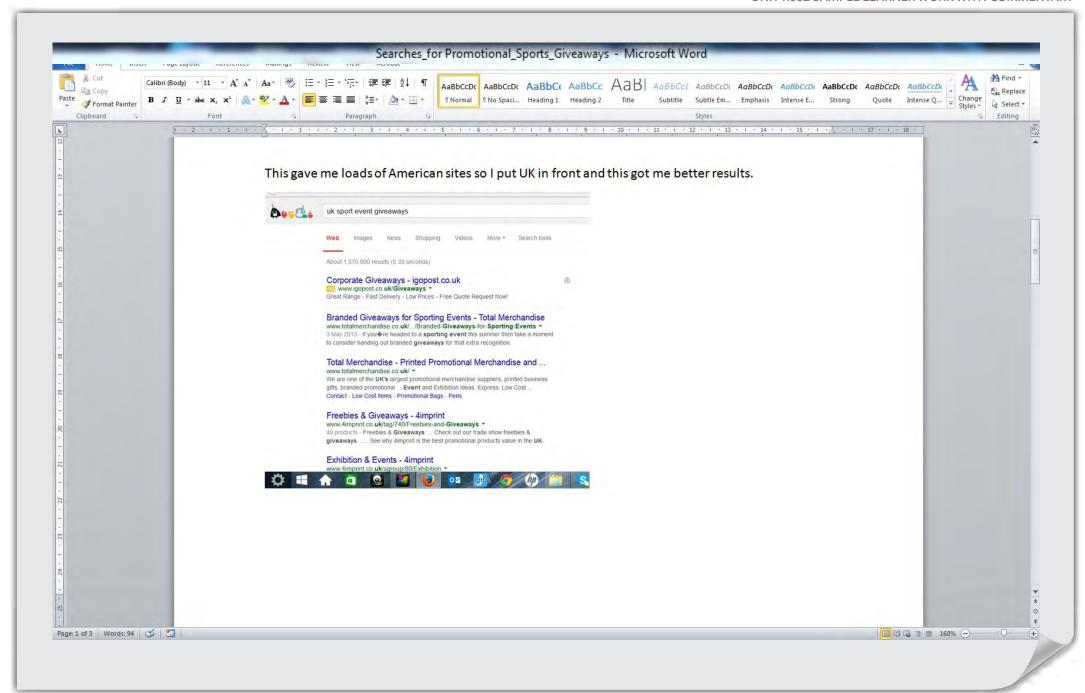


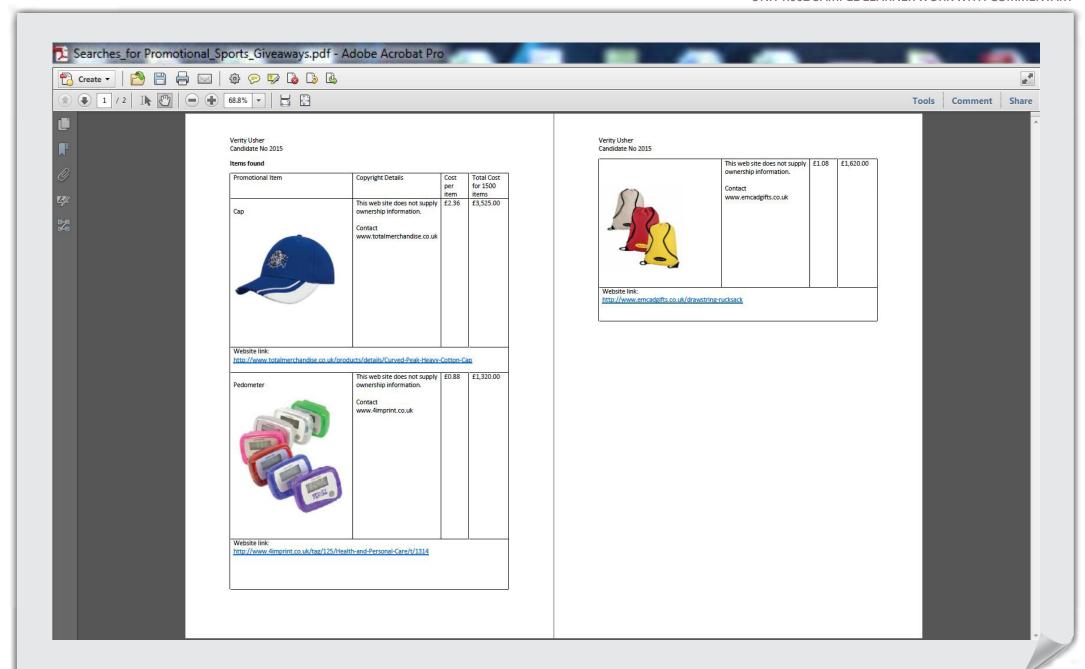












Marking commentary on MB3 sample learner work

The work for this learning outcome is in response to the JB Clothing Emporium Assignment.

The learner has created a good filing structure using appropriate file names mainly taken from the tasks in the assignment. All files appear to have been stored appropriately. There is some evidence of versions eg TT_New_Logo_V1, TT_New_Logo_V2, TT_New_Logo_Final. Backup to a USB has been evidenced and a password has been set on the spreadsheet file. A brief explanation of why these procedures have been followed is given, although these could be more detailed and better explained. The learner has extracted the files from the zipped folder sent in an email and these have been placed in the appropriate folder.

Evidence for Task 1A and Task 1C can be found in the file 'Email_System_Evidence'. The learner has responded to all the tasks in the assignment. I look as if the learner has taken headings from the Specification in response to Task 1D this has resulted in a little repetition as some of the features already covered in Task 1C, however it does mean that all the email features listed in the specification have been covered. The learner shows a reasonably sound understanding) of most of the common and advanced email features listed in the specification and has shown some understanding of email etiquette although the explanations of the email features could be more detailed and etiquette could have been covered in greater depth.

The learner has used entered search criteria to find suitable promotional materials; they have refined the search to find UK suppliers so this can be considered sound. They have found suitable products all within the price range specified but they have not been able to identify the copyright holders so have suggested that the website owner should be contacted so it can only be considered that they have recorded limited information on the Copyright holder(s) of the information found (mark band 1).

Why it was awarded MB3 not MB2

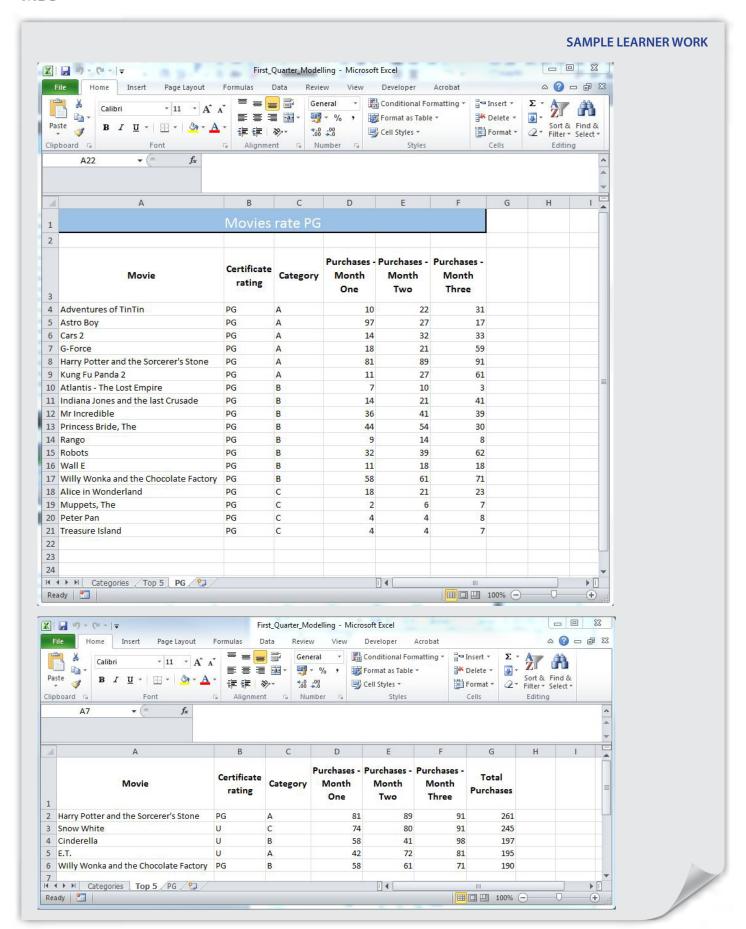
The folder structure represents a mark band 3 response with almost all of the criteria being met. There is some evidence of versions; however, it is a pity that this was only shown for the logo. Although more regular backups could have been evidenced, and protection could have been added to more files, there is sufficient here to award a mark in mark band 3.

The response to the email task is good. Although email etiquette has not explicitly covered, there is some evidence of the learner's understanding of email etiquette in the main text provided by the learner, for example in the 'Body text' section the learner mentions about not using capital letters and about keeping the message short. Although more detailed explanations could be given there is just sufficient here to award a mark at the bottom of MB3.

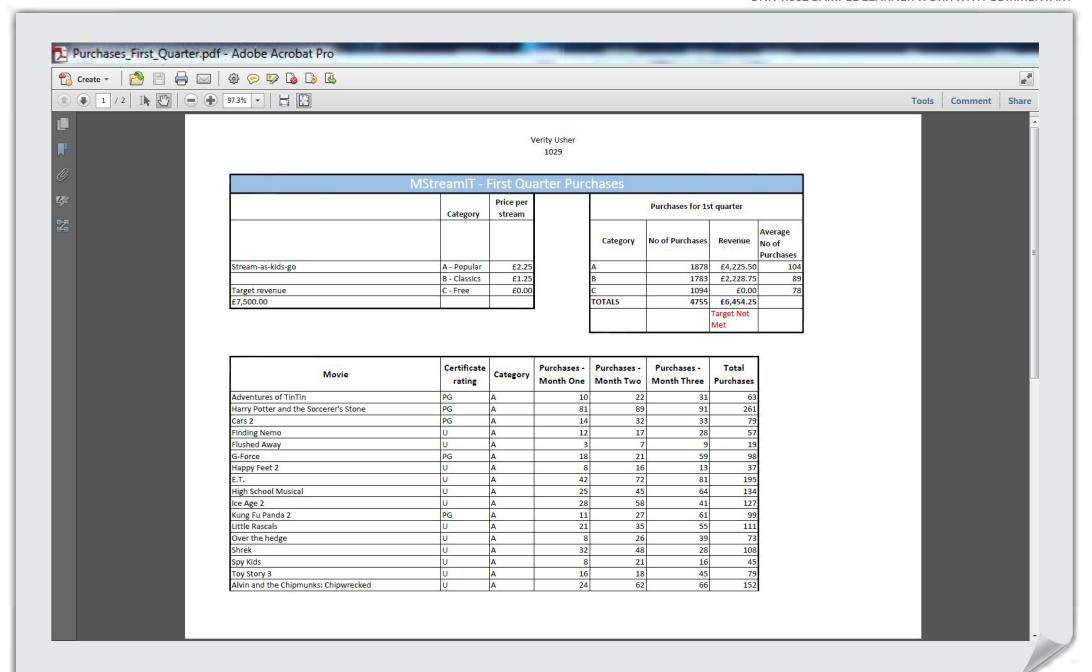
Although the copyright details are weak, the search criteria has been shown and the products found are appropriate and do meet the task requirements.

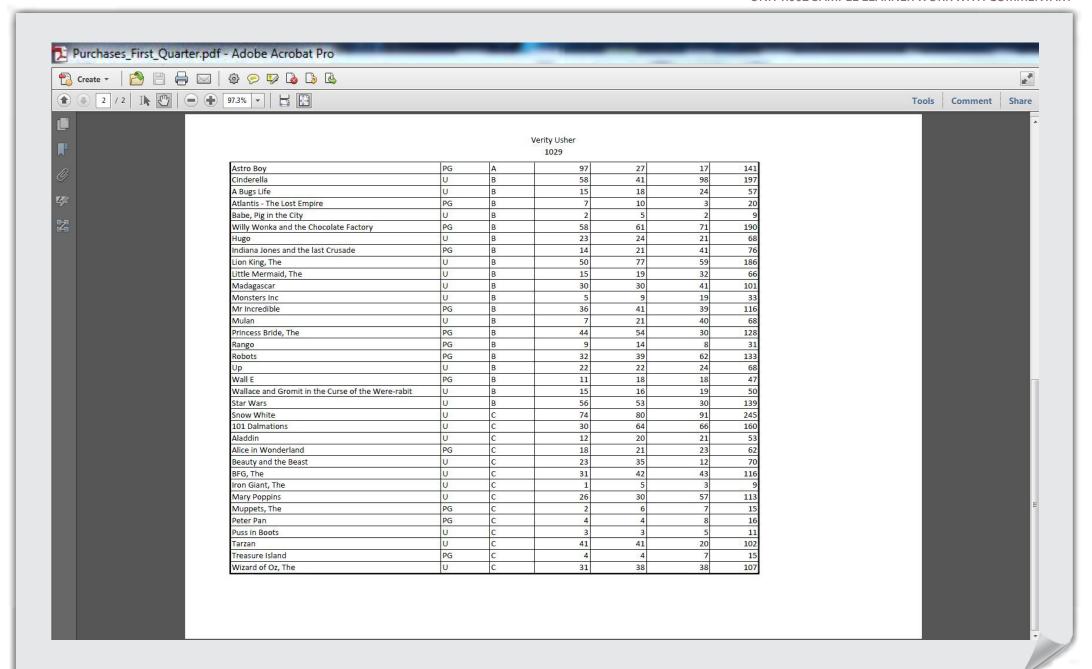
Although there are weaknesses, particularly in the copyright information, the overall quality of the work suggests that a mark at the bottom of mark band 3 would be the most appropriate for this learning outcome.

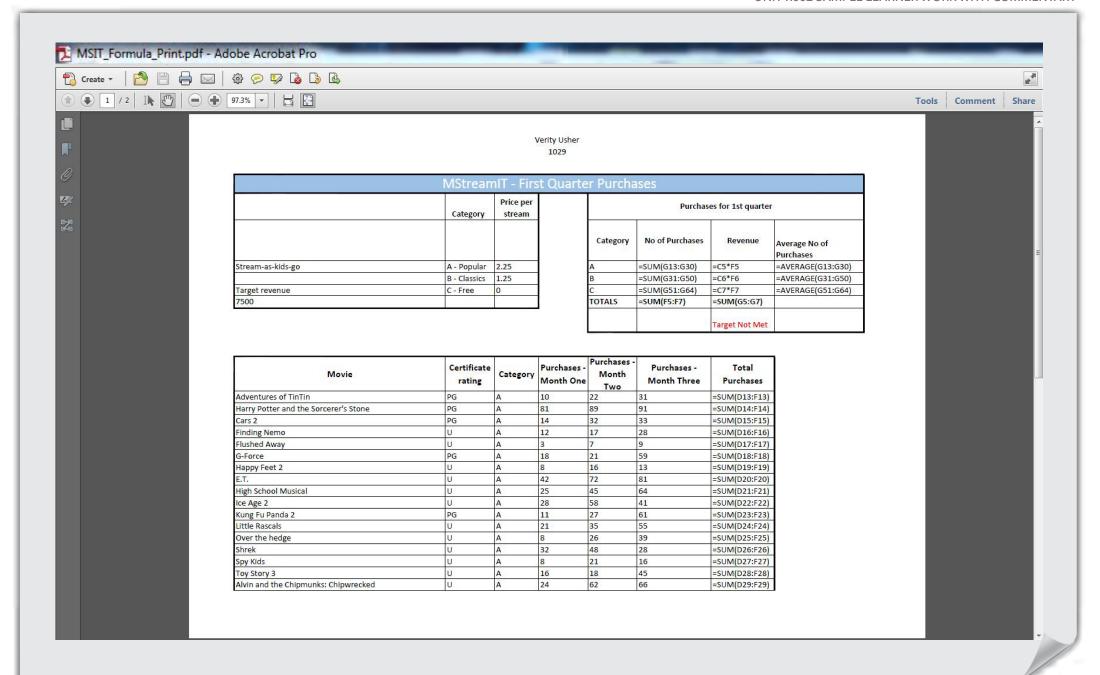
Learning Objective 2 – Be able to select and use software to handle data **MB3**

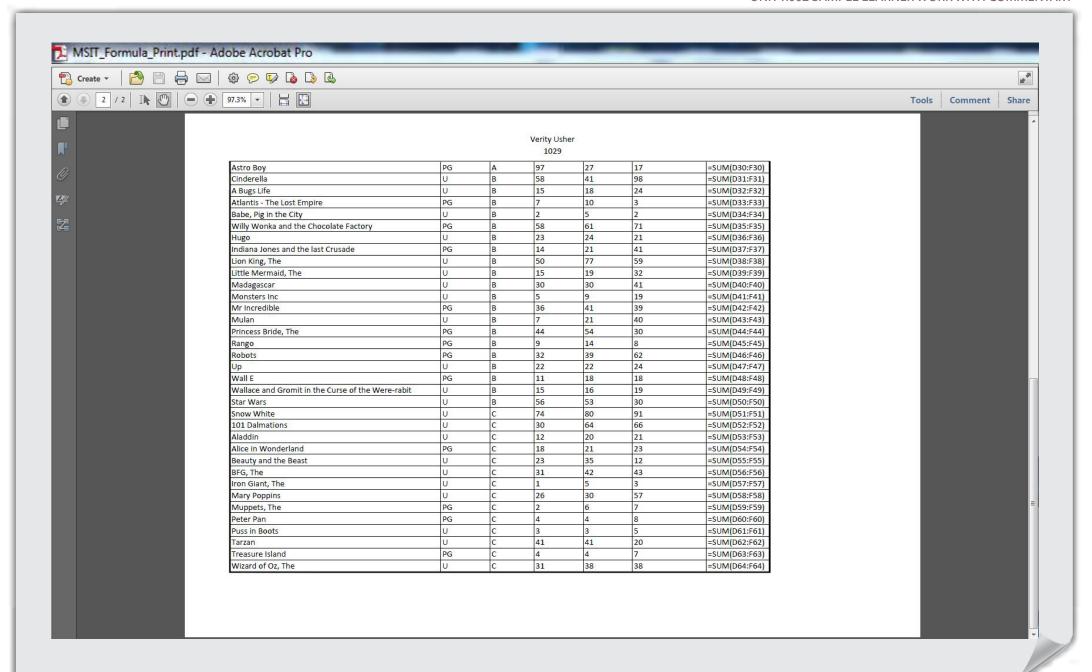


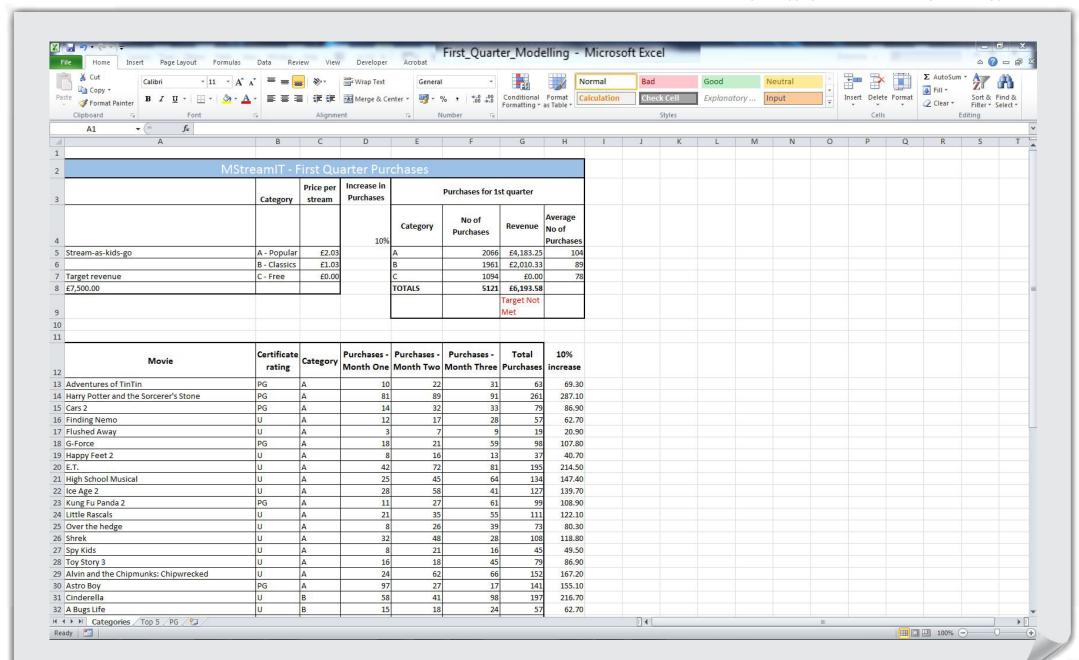
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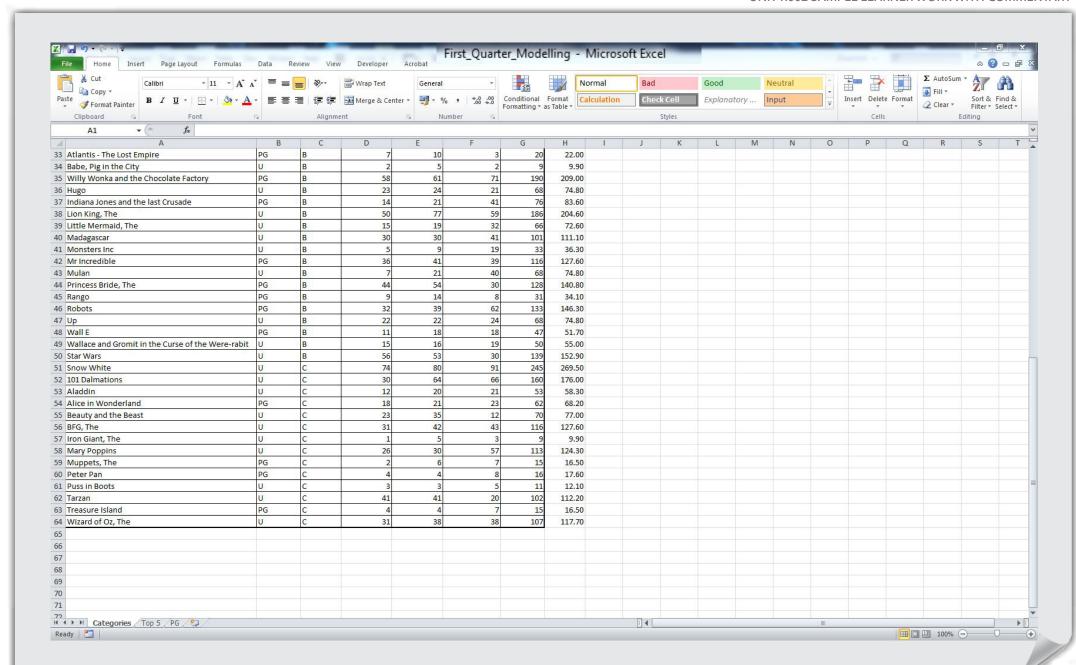


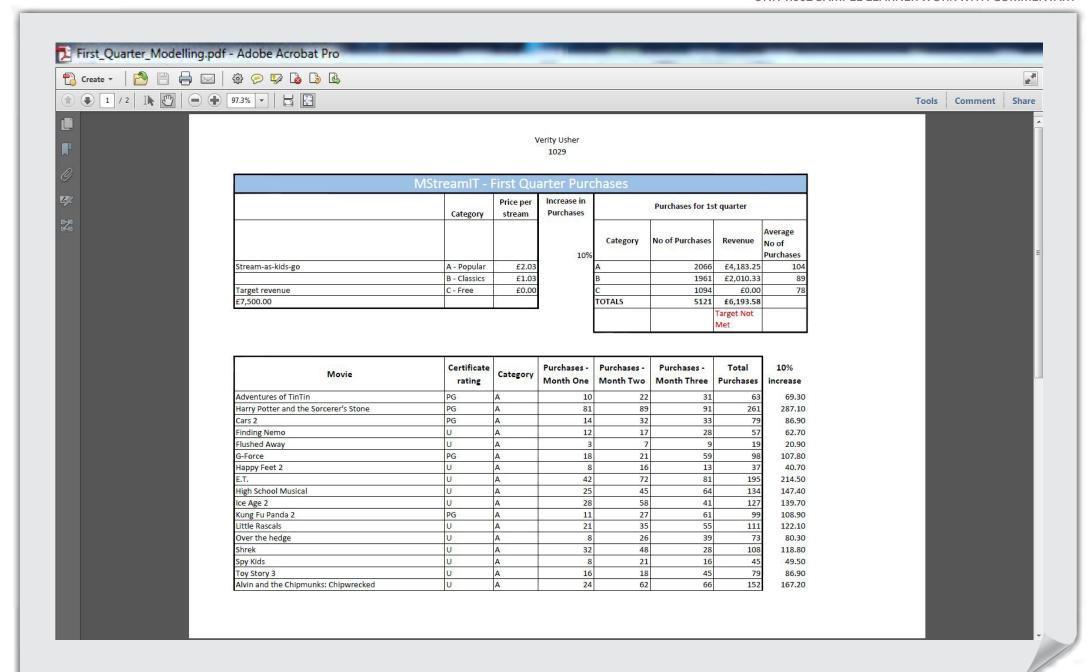


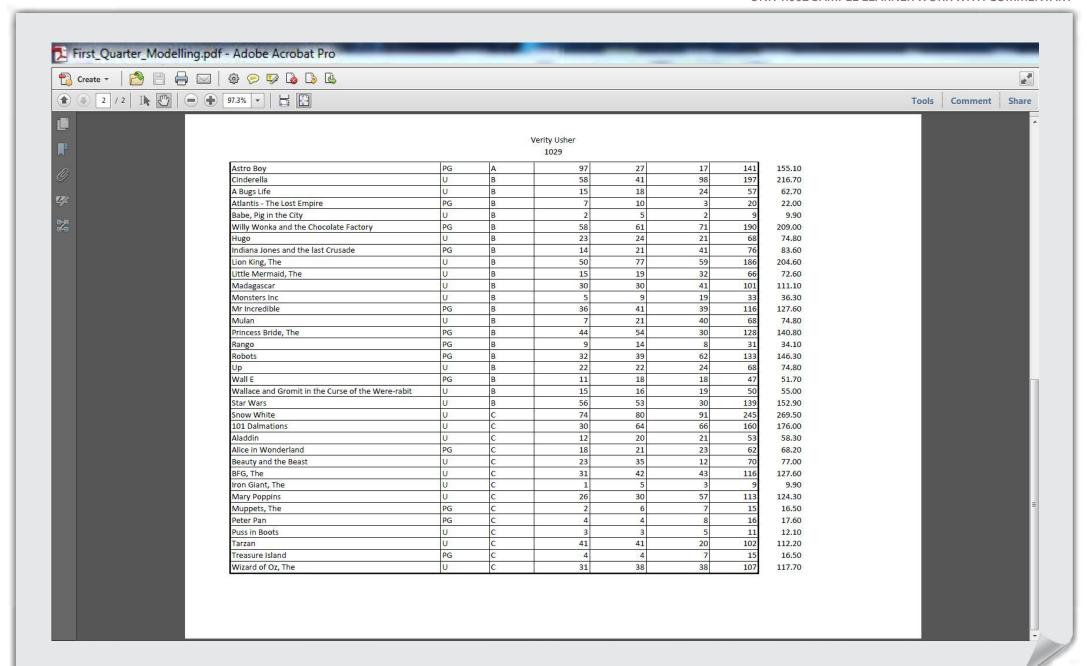


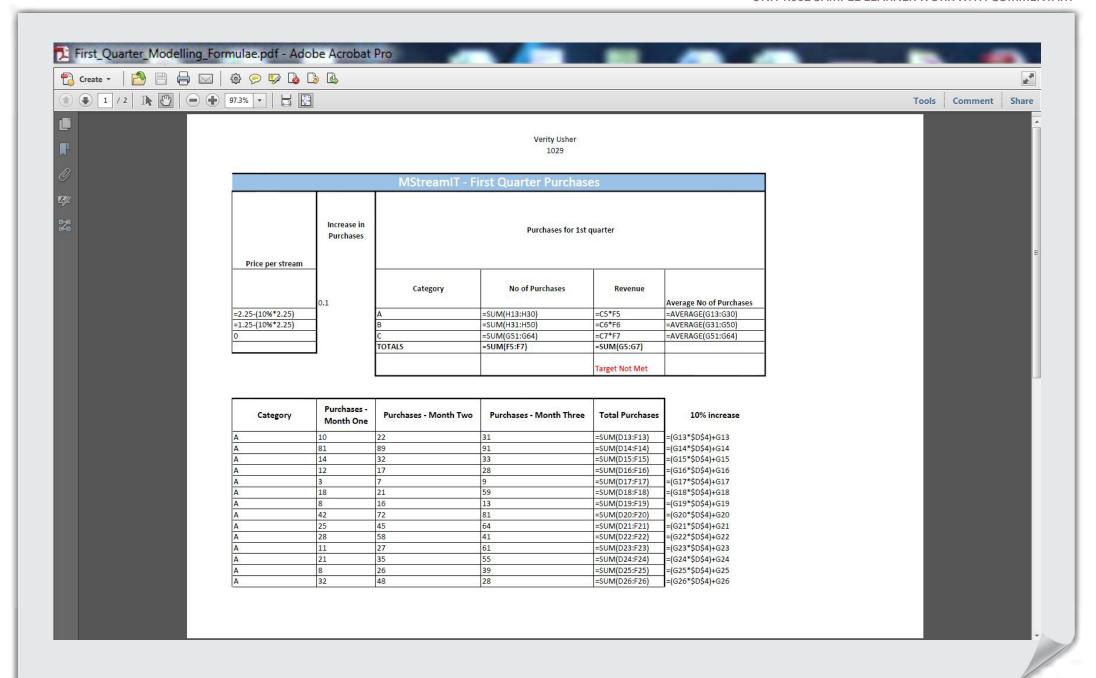


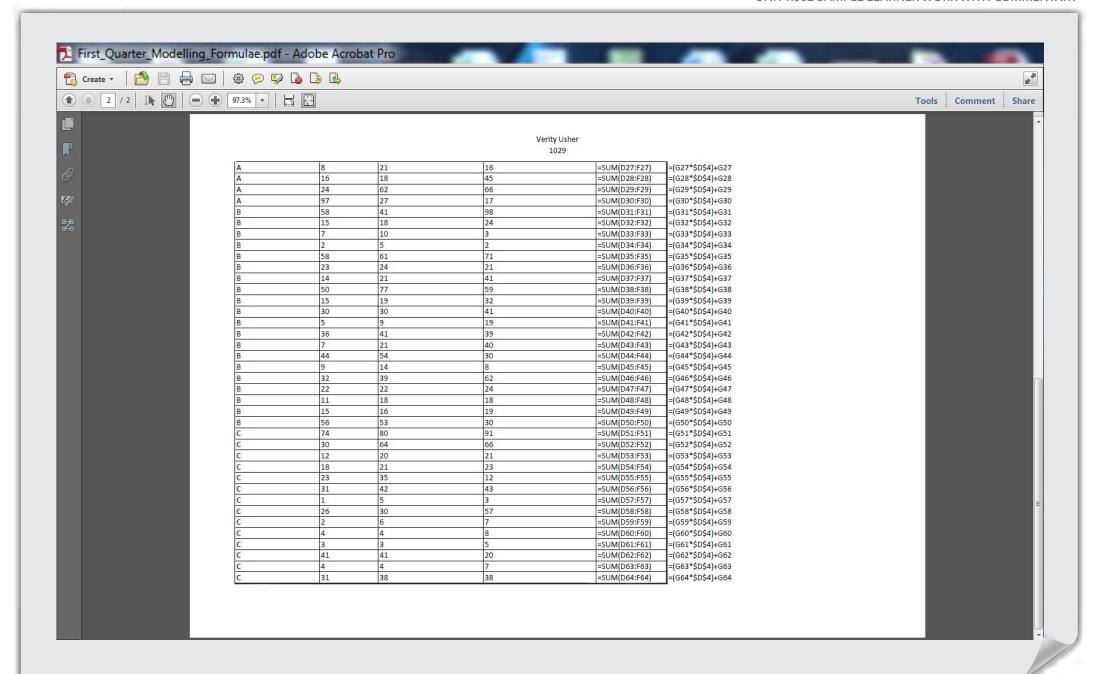


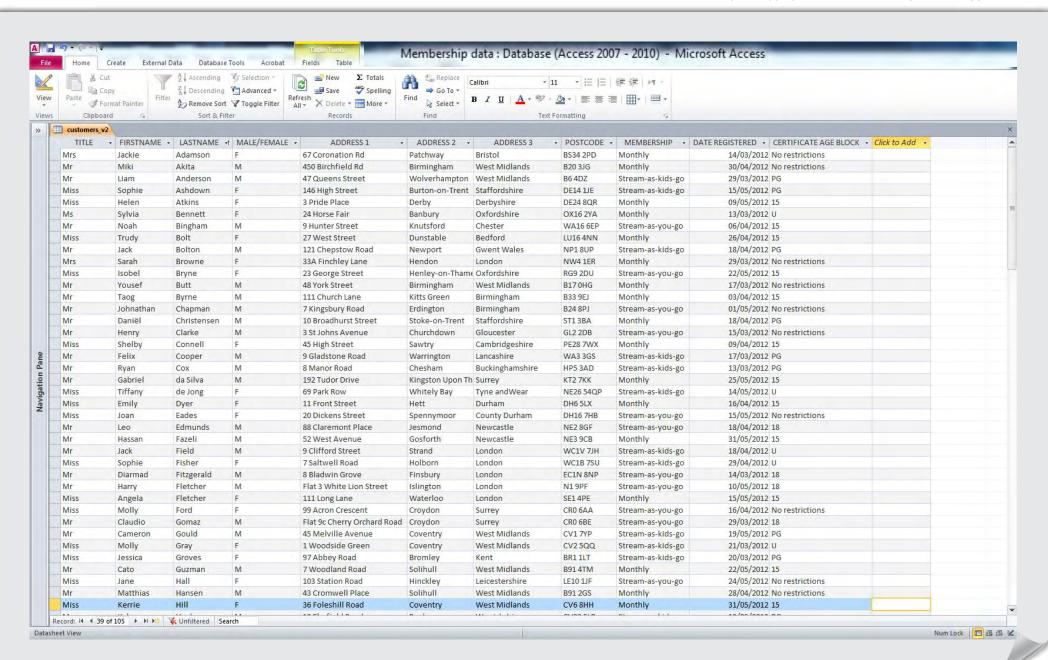


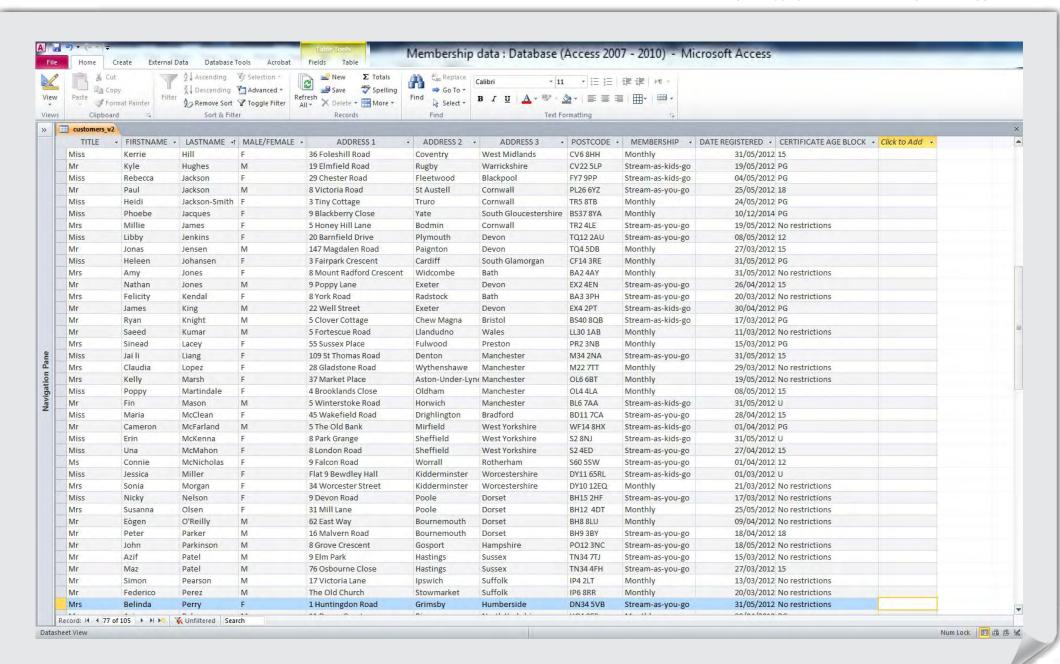


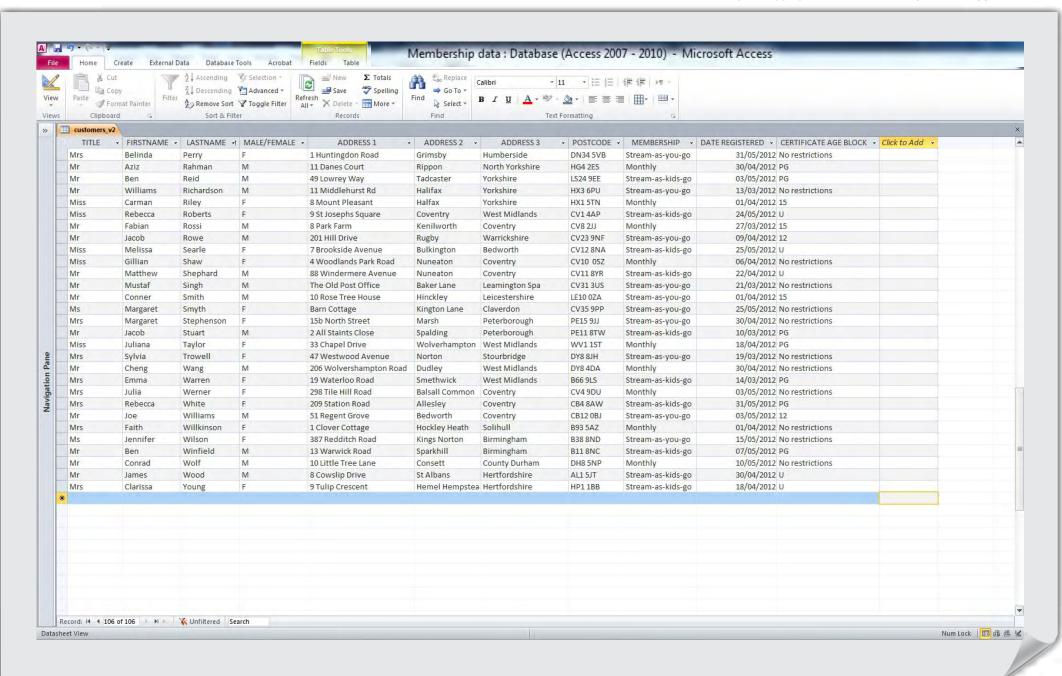


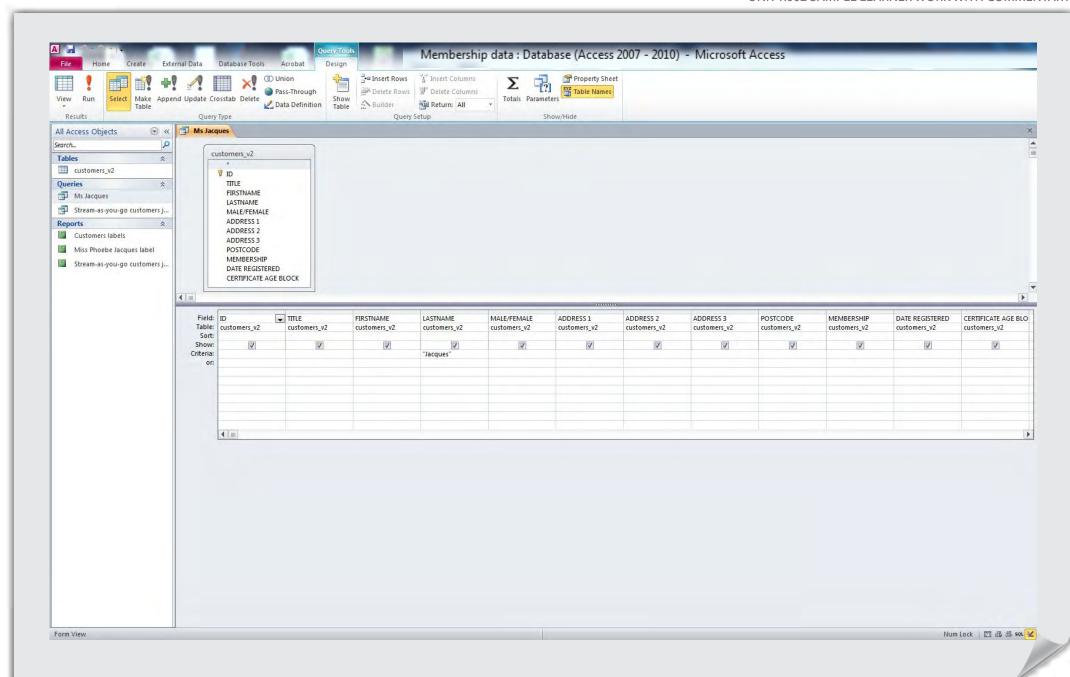


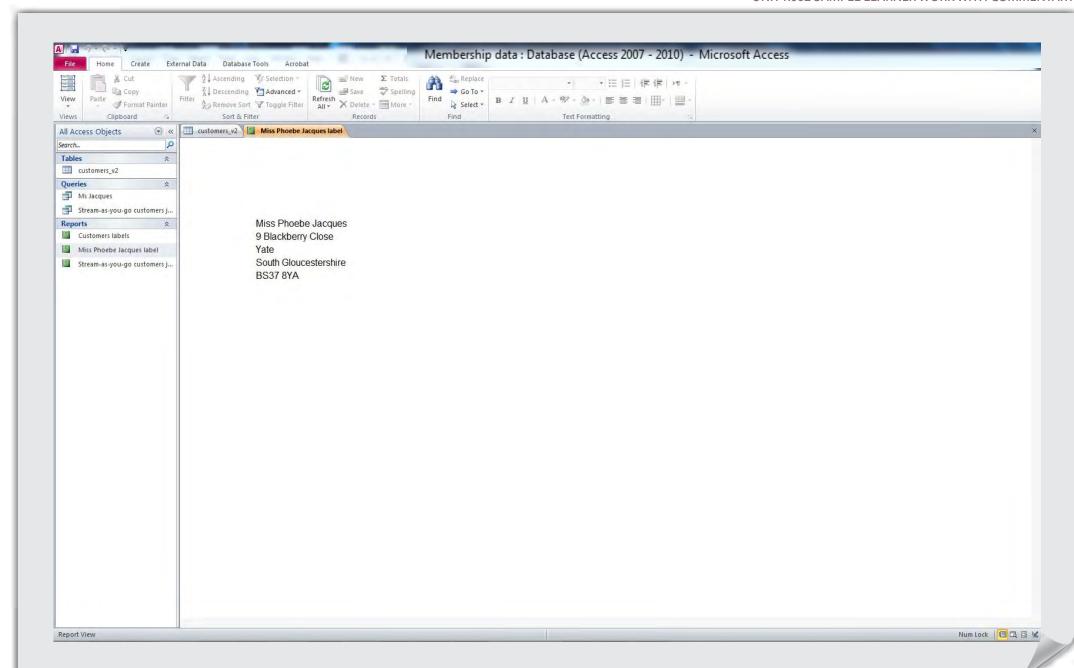


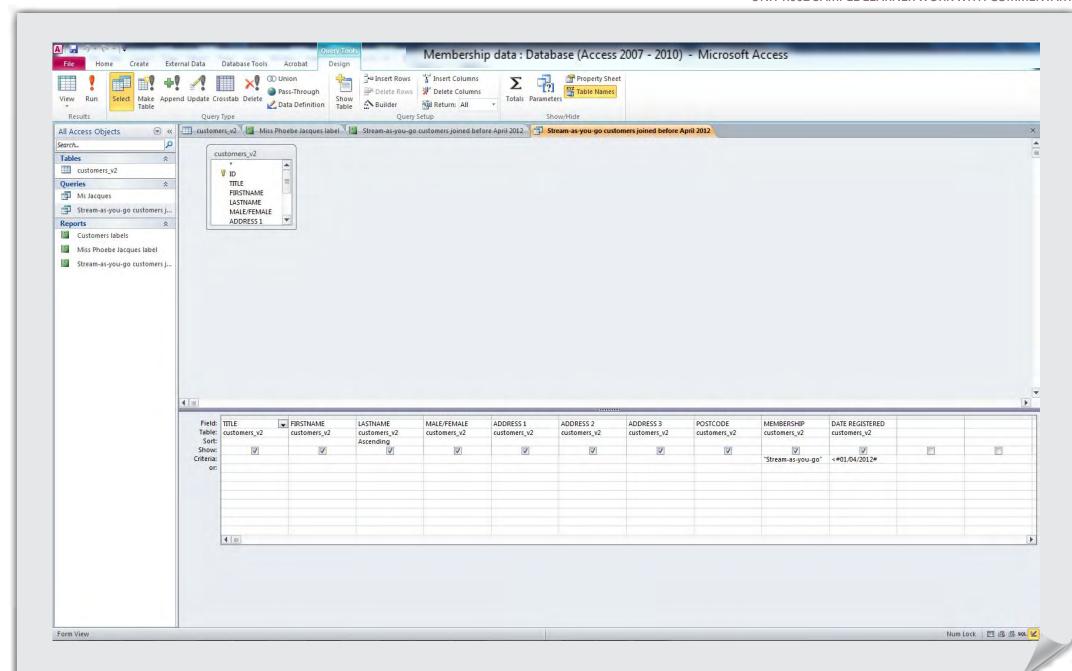


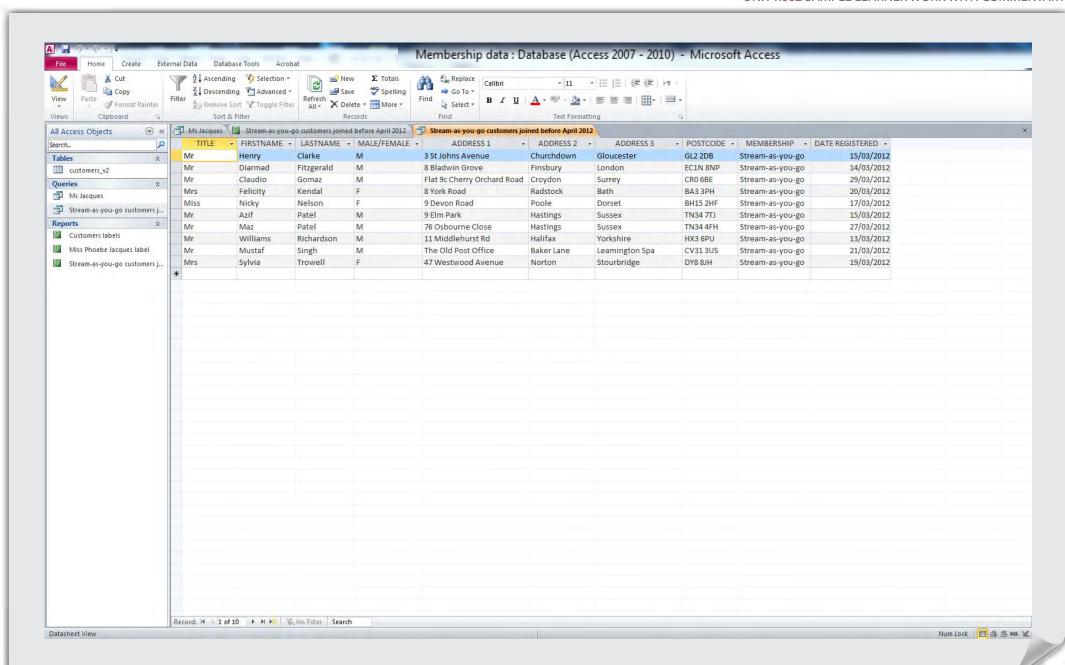


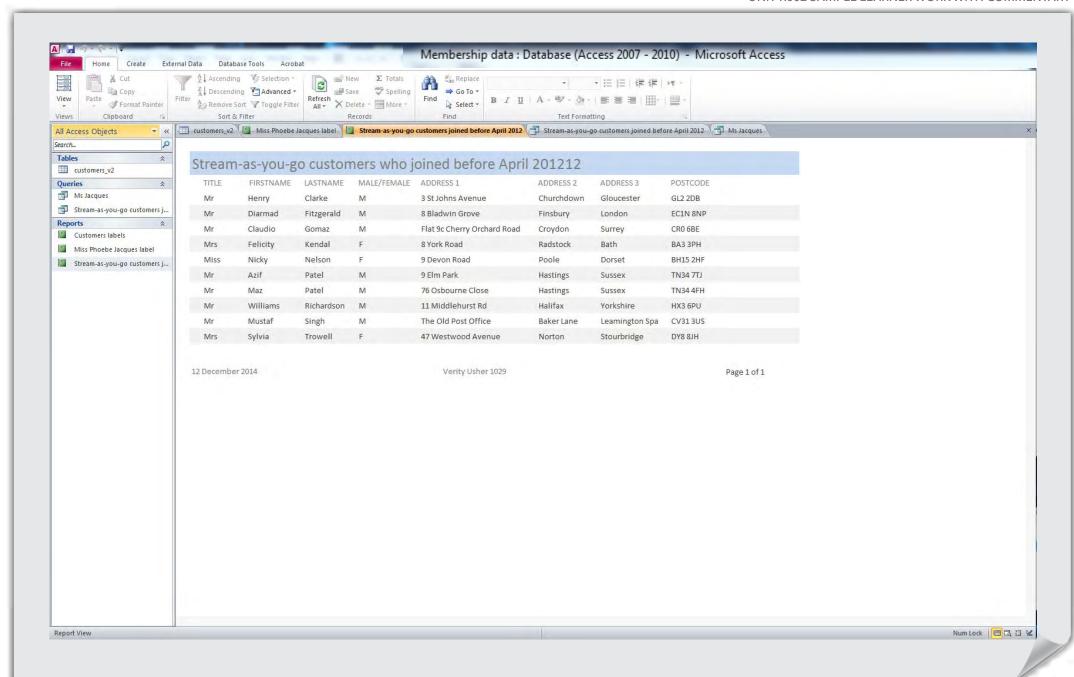


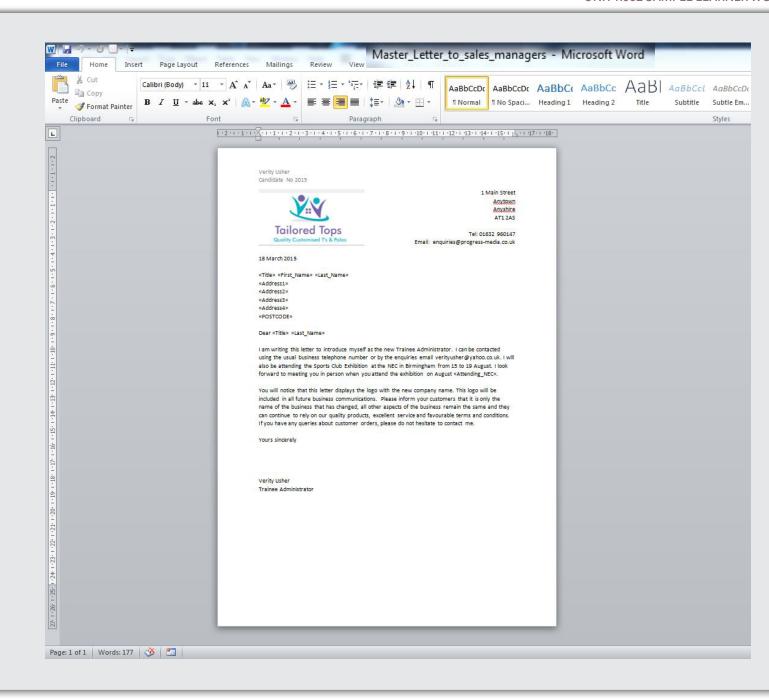


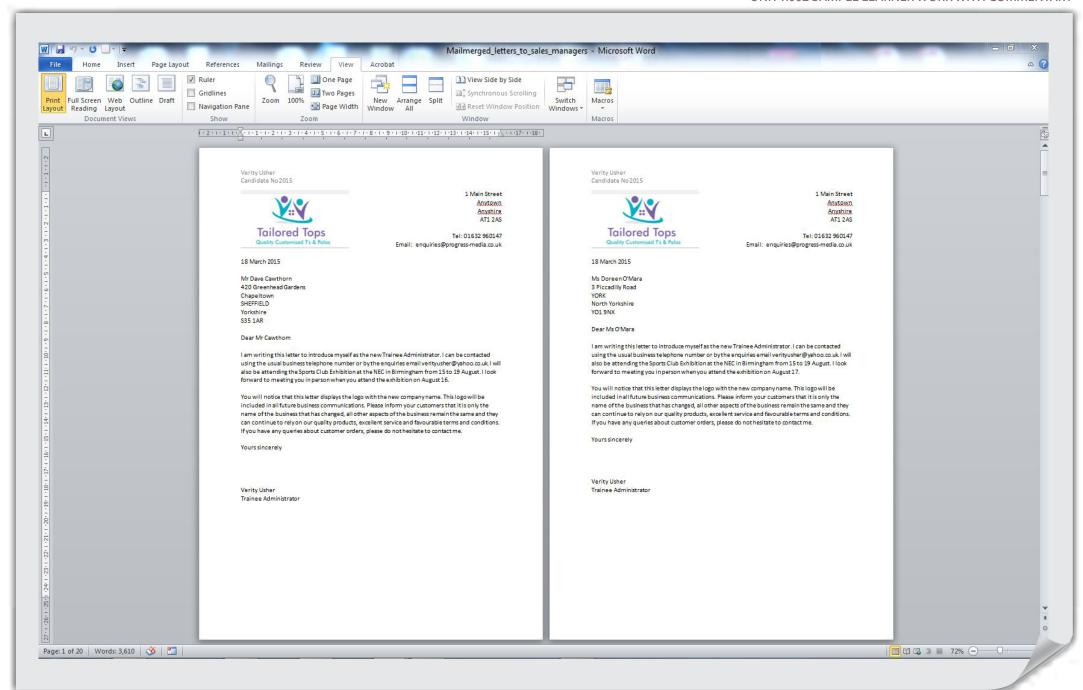


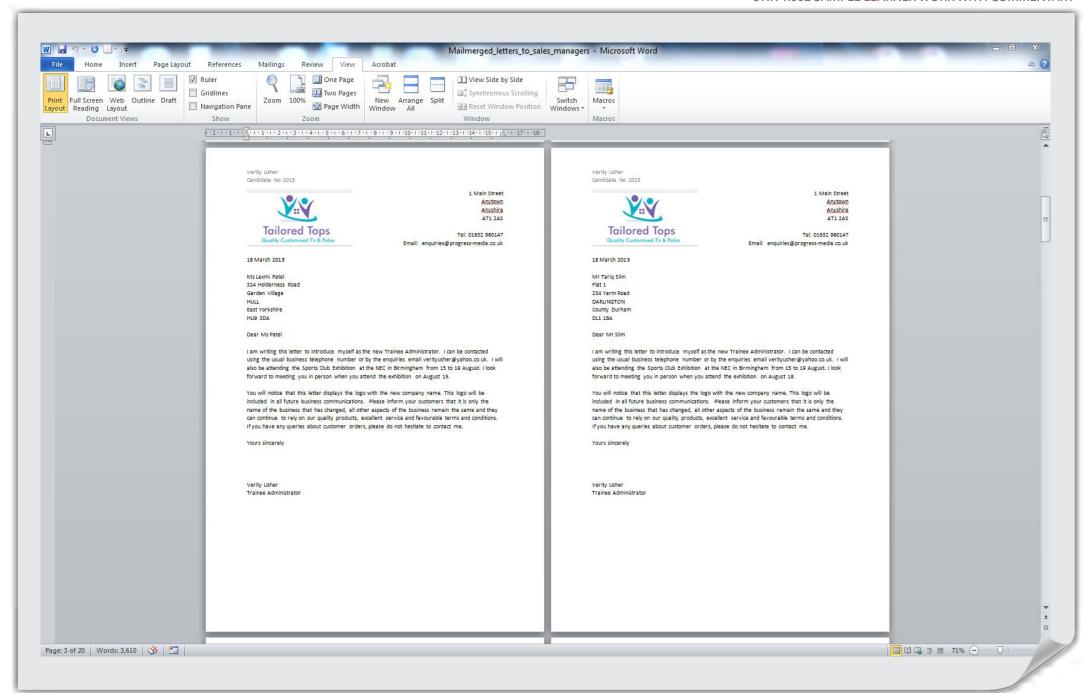


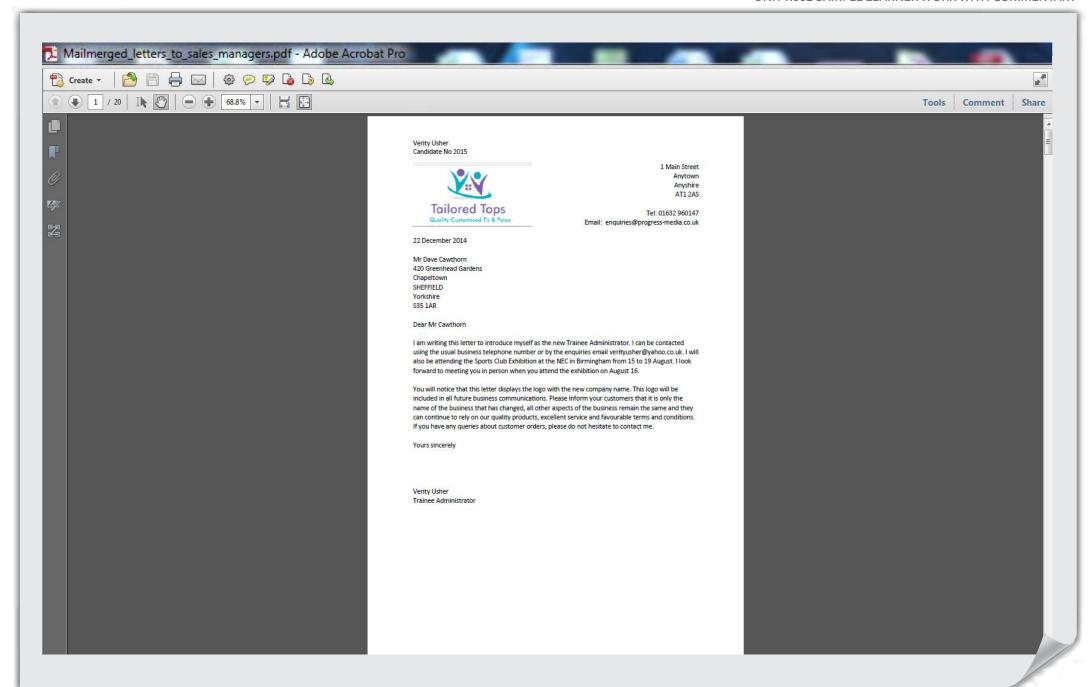


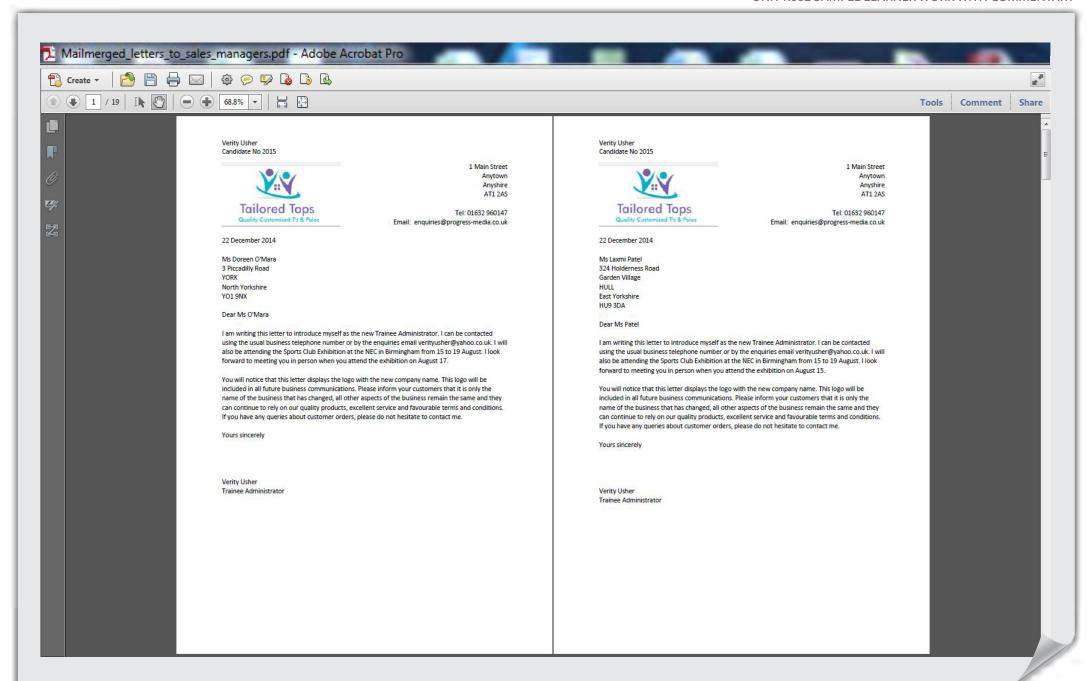












Marking commentary on MB3 sample learner work

The work for the data handling tasks is in response to the MStreamIT Assignment (Task 3 and Task 4). The mail merge evidence is from the he JB Clothing Emporium Assignment.

The learner has completed all aspects of Task 3. The searches for PG and Top 5 films are both accurate and have been recorded on separate sheets in the workbook. The total and average figures are also correct. When completing the modelling the learner has made an error when calculating the new price for Category B. They have multiplied the 10% by 2.25 instead of by 1.25; this has resulted in inaccurate figure for both the Category B price and the total revenue. The learner has used quite basic formulas but has managed to produce mainly correct results. The learner has adjusted the print settings to fit to one page wide and has printed both the spreadsheet and the formulas.

Task 4 has been completed using Database software. The learner has carried out all the edits accurately and has produced accurate searches. Although the learner has not produced any printouts, evidence of the reports can be seen in the actual database. Both reports display all the required data and the content of all fields is fully visible. The learner has also produced a second labels report, presumably for the letters to be sent to all customers. A document demonstrating how the outcomes were produced has also been produced.

The learner has chosen the most appropriate software for each task. Overall this is a very good response to this learning outcome with almost all the requirements being met so the learner can be awarded a mark in mark band 3.

Why it was awarded MB3 not MB2

Although, for Task 3, the learner could have used more effective formulas, for example IF statements, better use of cell referencing instead of using figures in the formula, they have used a range of formulas and have met most of the requirements of the task. The learner has fully met the task requirements for the membership data (the mail merge has been completed in response to the JB Clothing Emporium Assignment); therefore a mark in mark band 3 is fully justified.

Learning Objective 3 – Be able to select and use software to communicate information for a business

MB3

The file security and email evidence already shown under Learning Objective 1 on pages 25 to 33 and the mail merge letter shown under Learning Objective 2 on pages 51 to 53 must also be considered for this Learning Objective.

Marking commentary on MB3 sample learner work

The work for this learning outcome is in response to the JB Clothing Emporium Assignment.

The learner has created Word documents, a Word template, a Publisher publication, a PowerPoint Presentation, a PowerPoint Show, several Portable Network Graphics and several PDF documents. This can be considered to be a range of file types. Most of the file types are appropriate for the task although it seems the Publisher file has just been used to experiment with the graphics that were being created. A range of features, as listed in the Specification, have been evidenced. For example, merge fields have been added to the letter; for the publicity material, screen layouts have been created using an existing template and these have been adapted with frames being positioned to suit the content. Text has been copied into the letter, the created logo has been inserted into various documents and has been resized appropriately. Overall the tools have been used effectively to meet most of the specified requirements.

The learner has created the mail-merged letter. They have included the logo and have added appropriate merge fields. They have inserted text in the appropriate places although they have added their own email address rather than the company email address as instructed in the scenario.

The learner has used PowerPoint to create the promotional resource and has saved this as a PowerPoint show so that it can be viewed without the need for user-interaction although the timing on some slides is a little fast. The resource created does meet most of the requirements as it can be viewed on screen; it includes the new logo and most of the information provided in the text file; the key point that 'it is only the name that has changed' has also been mentioned on two screens. It is unfortunate that the contact details of the company (eg email, telephone number and address) have not been included and there is no mention of the sales representative who will be present on the stand.

Although the learner cannot be considered to have fully met the specified requirements, there are few errors in spelling, punctuation and grammar and the overall quality of the documents is good so a mark in mark band 3 can be considered.

Why it was awarded MB3 not MB2

This learning outcome is assessed using the learners responses to those tasks that involve communicating information using a range of documents that are typically used in business; the Specification for this learning outcome lists the range of software that learners are expected to be taught as Word Processing, Desktop Publishing, Presentation, Web page and Graphics. Although the learner has not used Web page software, all other types of software have been used, even if to a limited degree. A range of tools within these software packages have been used mainly to good effect, therefore a mark in mark band 3 is appropriate for the first part of this learning outcome.

For the second part of this learning outcome, the learner has used a good range of the tools listed in the specification, mainly to good effect. All tasks have been completed and with a few exceptions, the specified requirements have been met, therefore a mark in mark band 3 can be awarded.

Learning Objective 4 – Be able to use software tools to format information **MB3**

This learning outcome assesses the formatting applied to all the tasks created to evidence leaning objectives 1, 2 and 3.

Marking commentary on MB3 sample learner work

The responses for all tasks must be considered when assessing this learning outcome. Although learners must submit only one assignment, for the purposes of these materials, the evidence of formatting is generated from the 'JB Clothing Emporium' assignment for learning outcome 1, and learning outcome 3 and from the 'MStreamIT' assignment for learning outcome 2. The learner has worked independently.

The learner has used a range of formatting techniques throughout the assignment. The Email Evidence document includes headings and subheading and has a number of graphics with arrows and boxes which have been grouped, text has been set to wrap top and bottom on most images, a page break has been inserted at the end of page 5 and the body text font is consistent throughout. The letter has been appropriately formatted with consistent paragraph spacing and appropriate spacing in the salutation complimentary close. Where graphics are present they are not distorted. Backgrounds and colours to match the new company logo have been used in the on-screen presentation and transition and animation effects have been applied. Headers and footers have been used to display the learner name and the Email Evidence document includes page numbers. The formatting has been applied consistently and does generally enhance the overall appearance of the documents. Most documents are clear and easy to read. A mark in mark band 3 is therefore appropriate.

Why it was awarded MB3 not MB2

Although a wider range of formatting techniques from the specification would be expected of a learner working at the top of mark band 3, for example, columns, bulleted and/or numbered lists, paragraph alignment, line spacing, tabs, more consistent use of headers and footers (not just to display the learner details) and automatic fields, scaling to page and setting print options; the learner has used a fairly wide range of features which for the most part have been used effectively and consistently to enhance the documents. The information is consistently clear and easy to read making a mark in mark band 3 the most appropriate.





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