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Annotation	Meaning	Annotation	Meaning
<b>✓</b>	Tick – correct, mark awarded	LI	Level 1 (Knowledge)
×	Cross – incorrect, mark not awarded	L2	Level 2 (Understanding)
?	Meaning of response unclear	L3	Level 3 (Analysis)
NAQ	Not answered question	L4	Level 4 (Evaluation)
TV	Too vague	CONT	Response is contextual
BOD	Benefit of doubt	SEEN	Noted but no credit given
REP	Same point repeated	BP	Blank page
OFR	Own figure rule		Highlight

## Unit 1 Mark Scheme January 2022

	SECTION A					
Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance			
1	Indicative content: C	1	For one mark.			
2	Indicative content: <b>B</b>	1	For one mark.			
3	Indicative content: <b>B</b>	1	For one mark.			
4	Indicative content: <b>B</b>	1	For one mark.			
5	Indicative content: C	1	For one mark.			
6	Indicative content: C	1	For one mark.			
7	Indicative content: C	1	For one mark.			
8	Indicative content: <b>D</b>	1	For one mark.			
9	Indicative content: <b>B</b>	1	For one mark.			
10	Indicative content: C	1	For one mark.			
11	Indicative content: <b>D</b>	1	For one mark.			
12	Indicative content: C	1	For one mark.			
13	Indicative content: <b>B</b>	1	For one mark.			
14	Indicative content: C	1	For one mark.			
15	Indicative content: <b>D</b>	1	For one mark.			
16	Indicative content: <b>B</b>	1	For one mark.			
17	Indicative content: A	1	For one mark.			
18	Indicative content: D	1	For one mark.			
19	Indicative content: C	1	For one mark.			
20	Indicative content: <b>D</b>	1	For one mark.			

	SECTION B	
Question Answer	Marks	Guidance
Responses include:  • television/TV • posters/billboards • social media e.g. Facebook, Instagram, T YouTube, TikTok, etc. • newspapers/magazines • cinema/films • radio • leaflets/brochures • banners • window displays • fayres/exhibitions • business cards • direct mail • email • text messages (SMS) • picture messages (MMS) • instant messages/WAP push messages • website/webpage/Internet/WWW/online esshop, online survey, etc.	witter,	One mark for each correct identification up to a maximum of two identifications.  Medium required not the type of promotion e.g. do not award (DNA) adverts, sponsorship, public relations, sales promotion (special deals), etc.  E.g. 'Advert' (0), 'Television (1) advert', 'Television' (1).  Do not award 'loyalty cards', 'donating to charity' or 'video'.

	SECTION B					
Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance			
22	Responses include:  • give to/donate money, time, food, etc (to charity)/set up a charity  • give humanitarian aid  • support community programmes/engagement e.g. community health and welfare schemes  • sports provision/sponsorship  • educational activities provision/sponsorship  • cultural activities provision/sponsorship.  Exemplar responses:  Name of business: Acton Ltd Activity of business: Insurance broker  Donate money (1) to charity e.g. The Childhood Joy foundation (+1).  Donate clothes (1) to charity.  Run sporting activities (1) e.g. local football coaching (+1).  Run a local football team (1).  Give humanitarian aid (1) by allowing employees to go to where help is needed (+1).  Support local community programmes (1).	4	In each case, award: One mark for CSR activity AND/OR One mark for descriptive detail i.e. WHAT or HOW.  Must be a CSR provision i.e. benefits SOCIETY/ COMMUNITY. Do not award provisions that aim to benefit other stakeholders e.g. employees (e.g. fringe benefits, healthcare for staff) or customers (e.g. quality, good customer service, marketing).  Must be CSR i.e Corporate SOCIAL Activities. Do not award other STEEPLE ACTIVITIES. E.g. Do not Award: environmental e.g. recycle, reduce plastic, paperless, food miles; sustainable e.g. reduce pollution. land usage, green energy; ethical employer e.g. fair pay, kind; ethical trade e.g. product sourcing, fair trade, local suppliers, no animal testing; legal e.g. safety, consumer protection, no discrimination, etc.  Descriptive detail required for second mark (i.e. WHAT or HOW) – do not award WHY – i.e. do not award the benefits to a business of having a good CSR profile.  Do not award repetition i.e. max two marks per bullet point.  'Extra support to people struggling with Covid' Too vague (what extra support?). Please annotate 'TV'.			

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
Question 23	Responses include:  makes corporate/overall/important/major decisions determine corporate strategy set goals/aims/long term objectives determine the direction of the business decide future plans/make expansion plans to oversee the development of the company lead/report decision rationale to board of directors supply shareholders with reasons for decisions made decide how the company presents itself to the world be the public face of company network with other leading business personnel communicate on behalf of the company with government manage overall risk.  Exemplar responses:  Name of business: Kitty plc Activity of business: Fashion chain  One task of the Chief Executive is to set corporate goals (1) because Kitty is responsible for the success of the company (+1).  A task of the Chief Executive is to decide the direction of the company (1) so that it makes as much profit as possible (+1).  The Chief Executive makes important decisions (1) for example Kitty plc has decided to close its out-of-town	Marks 4	In each case, award: One mark for CEO task (1) PLUS One mark for explanation (+1) i.e. WHY.  Identification mark must be for a CEO task. Responsibilities e.g. 'answerable to stakeholders' or 'responsible for success of company' are only awardable as explanation marks (+1 only). Watch out for 'make sure'/'ensure' these usually indicate responsibilities (+1 only).  Must be tasks relating to the role of a CEO i.e. strategic.  Do not award operational tasks, tactical tasks or functional tasks. E.g. DNA 'sets targets' (0), 'set budgets' (0), 'put the business out there' (0) and 'to prepare ahead' (0).  Do not award answers relating to monitoring functional areas as this is a director role.  Do not award 'to expand the business', this is a business aim rather than a task.  Do not award 'delegation'.  Do not award vague answers E.g. DNA 'make all decisions' (0), 'make final decisions' (0), 'make decisions' (0), 'keep company running correctly' (0), 'communicate with key stakeholders' (0).  Do not award 'be highest ranking official', "person with most authority', 'be elected by shareholders' or 'be in charge' as these are who the CEO is, they do not answer the question.
	stores (0).		The explanation mark <b>(+1)</b> must be for a <b>reason</b> i.e. WHY, <b>not</b> an example.

	SECTION B					
Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance			
24	Use levels of response criteria.	6	In each case, award as follows:			
	Responses include:		Levels of response			
	Advantages e.g. no interest payable, cheaper than other sources, low cost, immediately available/ accessible (quick and easy to obtain), no external application procedure, do not have to be repaid, not in		Level 1 (1 mark) Identification of an advantage/disadvantage.  Level 2 (2 marks)			
	debt, assets not taken as security, does not dilute ownership, etc.		Any development of L1 advantage/disadvantage which falls short of being analytical.			
	Disadvantages e.g. new businesses may not have any reserves yet, funds may be insufficient, you can only spend what you have, diminishes current assets, reduces financial contingency, may leave the business short of funds for future plans, more likely to		Level 3 (3 marks) Analysis of L1 advantage/disadvantage (business-facing impact).			
	need to borrow in the future, finite quantity (once gone it has gone), lose interest/dividend on used up reserves, opportunity cost, etc.		<b>NB</b> Candidates can progress directly from L1 to L3 (see mark scheme preamble page 4).			
	Exemplar response:		First mark <b>must</b> be for an advantage/disadvantage (rather than a definition of reserves) e.g. Do <b>not</b> award 'internal source' – it is neither an advantage nor a disadvantage, just a			
	Name of business: Parkers Ltd Activity of business: Greengrocers		statement.			
	One advantage to Parkers Ltd of using reserves is that no money is borrowed (L1) therefore this		Do <b>not</b> award 'risk/financial risk' at L1. 'Risk' always too vague. 'Financial risk' or similar required for L2.			
	saves money/stops wasting money on paying interest (L2), reducing the company's potential costs (L3).		<b>NB</b> Two totally different advantages (e.g. one relating to time and one relating to being in debt) are both L1s. Two advantages that link in the chain of argument (e.g. both relate to cost) are L1 and L2.			
	One advantage is that the funds could be instantly available <b>(L1)</b> , therefore meaning the planned expansion can begin immediately <b>(L3)</b> .		<b>NB</b> Accept answers relating to savings, since reserves are the savings of the business.			

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	One disadvantage is that it might use up all of the company's reserves (L1). This could lead to the company having insufficient funds for a future expansion (L2), reducing its long-term profitability (L3).		Do <b>not</b> award what the reserves could be spent on.		
	One disadvantage is that the company would lose out on the interest it would have received on the reserves (L1) reducing cash inflows (L3).				

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance			
25	Responses include:  goods as described/accurate labelling/no false advertisements  goods of satisfactory quality/reasonable quality/good quality/no faults/quality checked  goods fit for purpose/do what they should  goods match the sample  services provided with reasonable skill  services provided with reasonable care  services provided within a reasonable timeframe  goods and services provided at a reasonable price  no unfair terms in contract  offer returns e.g. refund/replacement/repair (if defective).  Exemplar responses:  Name of business: Patterson IT Supplies  Activity of business: Retailer  Patterson IT supplies ensures that all of the computers (CONT) it sells are correctly described ✓ and of satisfactory quality ✓.  Two ticks and CONT so 4 marks  Patterson IT Supplies ensures that all of the computers (CONT) it sells are correctly described ✓.  One tick and CONT so 3 marks  Patterson IT Supplies ensures that everything it sells is correctly described ✓ and of satisfactory quality ✓.  Two ticks (butno cont) so 2 marks  Patterson IT Supplies ensures that everything it sells is of satisfactory quality ✓.	4	For a contextual answers, award: Four marks for two or more legal provisions Three marks for one legal provision.  For a non-contextual answer, award: Two marks for two or more legal provisions One mark for one legal provision.  Test for CONTEXT = product/service/industry only. Look for industry specific terms. Please annotate CONT.  Do not accept answers relating to safety, as safety comes under the Consumer Protection Act not the Consumer Rights Act e.g. DNA customers hurt, allergic reaction to hair products/food, etc.  As described - do not award 'give a full/complete description'/'provide information about'. It is the accuracy of the description that the law regulates rather than the quantity of information.  NB Take care with answers relating to food labelling. Full description/all ingredients, provide information about ingredients, etc is not covered by the Consumer Rights Act. However, do award if answer relates to accurate/correct labelling of the content of the food i.e. it matches the description.  NB Accept answers that do above and beyond what the law requires e.g. 'give refunds even if not defective' or 'high quality', as these still comply with the Consumer Rights Act.			

	SECTION C					
Q	Question		Answer	Marks	Guidance	
26	(a)		Indicative content:  • flat structure.	1	For <b>one</b> mark.	
					Contradictory response rule applies i.e. if two items circled award zero.	
26	(b)		Indicative content:	1	For <b>one</b> mark.	
			• 5 (five).		Many candidates have written general answers or attempted a description of organisational structure. Please read entire answer and award '5 (five)' if seen.	
27	(a)		Responses include:	2	Award:	
			the type of finance e.g. loan/long-term <u>source</u> of finance over the source of funds /do ht finance.		One mark for type of finance. AND/OR	
			finance/external <u>source</u> of funds/debt finance, borrowing, lending, etc		One mark for reference to property/land	
			<ul> <li>for property/land e.g. house/building/premises/bricks and mortar/shop/factory, etc.</li> </ul>		'Source of finance' is too vague (please annotate TV), the introduction to Q27 tells them that Beth needs finance. Some additional detail e.g. long-term or external required.	
			Exemplar response:			
			A mortgage is a long-term source of funds (1) when buying a building (1).		Do <b>not</b> award vague answers e.g. DNA 'get money from bank', 'pay to own', 'banks gives you money', 'request money from bank', etc. Please annotate TV.	
			Borrowing (1) a lot of money from the bank to run the business (0).		Do <b>not</b> award features of a mortgage e.g. DNA instalments, interest, needs to be paid back, etc. The question asks what a mortgage is.	
			Used to buy a house (1).		No context required.	

Q	uesti	on	Answer	Marks	Guidance
27		on	Indicative content:  • purpose e.g. decide whether to agree an overdraft facility/good idea to grant/worth allowing an overdraft facility/whether willing to lend/acceptable level of risk/assess ability to repay overdraft/whether can make back/set overdraft limit  • content of business plan e.g. cash flow, break-even, aims, objectives, goals, targets, expansion plans, 3-year plan, projected growth, production plan, costs, income, revenue, profits, financials, finances, etc.  Exemplar responses:  The bank might have used the business plan to decide whether the business is likely to be able to pay back an overdraft (1) by checking the first year's targets (+1).	Marks 2	One mark for identification of purpose (1). PLUS One further mark for content of business plan (+1).  Do not award purpose marks for solely checking whether the business is viable/likely to be successful (TV). The answer needs to get to the bank's willingness to agree the overdraft facility i.e. yes or no? or how much?  Do not award 'to assess how long overdraft needed for'/to assess how long to pay back'.  Do not award 'decide whether to invest'.  NB Content of business plan is +1 only.  Contents of business plan: 'the figures' is too vague (TV).
			whether the business is likely to be able to pay back an overdraft (1) by checking the first year's targets (+1).  The bank might look at the cash flow forecast (+1) to		Contents of business plan: 'the figures' is too vague (TV). Would need to refer to 'financial figures' or similar.
			decide what overdraft limit to set (1).  Check whether the business will make a profit TV (0).  Check the cash flow forecast (0).		No context required.

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
28	Use level of response criteria.	12	Levels of response
	Disadvantages include:  responsible for all business functions high workload/always more tasks to be done time consuming/long working hours/hours are long and hard limited time off/no time for hobbies e.g. going out with friends, visiting mother, childcare for daughter in school holidays no absence cover/no one to takeover e.g. illness, holidays lack of skills/expertise e.g. creativity, legal knowledge lack ideas/ideas difficult to come by no one to help with decision-making/problem solving no one to discuss issues with lack of capital/money is in short supply e.g. cannot afford childcare or visiting mother lack of equity funding/debt funding required impacts on physical and mental health e.g. worrying, anxiety, stress, depression unincorporated/no separate legal identity unlimited liability personally liable for finances of business		Level 4 (10 - 12 marks) Candidate evaluates disadvantages to Beth of operating as a sole trader.  Level 3 (7 - 9 marks) Candidate analyses disadvantage(s) to Beth of operating as a sole trader.  Level 2 (4 - 6 marks) Candidate explains disadvantage(s) to Beth of operating as a sole trader.  Level 1 (1 - 3 marks) Candidate identifies disadvantage(s) of operating as a sole trader.  Level 1 (1 - 3 marks) Candidate identifies disadvantage(s) of operating as a sole trader.  L1 - identifies a disadvantage of being a sole trader. Award bottom of mark band for 1 disadvantage identified, middle of mark band for 2 disadvantages identified, and top of mark band for 3 or more disadvantages identified.  L2 - any development of L1 point which falls short of being analytical e.g. explains the cause of a disadvantage or suggests an impact which is not Beth/business-facing (e.g. a
	Exemplar response:		disadvantage to an employee, customer or Beth's daughter).  Award bottom of mark band for the development of 1 disadvantage, middle of mark band for the development of 2
	One disadvantage of being a sole trader is that capital is limited (L1), causing Beth to be stressed (L3).		disadvantages, and top of mark band for the development of 3 or more disadvantages.
	Another disadvantage is that running a business as a sole trader has a high workload (L1). This is particularly difficult for Beth because she also has a daughter to look after (L2). This may lead to Beth being unable to spend quality time with her daughter (L3).		L3 – analysis which is Beth/business-facing i.e. an impact on Beth/the business of an L1 disadvantage. Award bottom of mark band for 1 disadvantage analysed, middle of mark band for 2 disadvantages analysed, and top of mark band for 3 or more disadvantages analysed.

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	Overall, the biggest disadvantage to Beth of being a sole trader is likely to be the number of tasks that need doing because time and energy are limited (L4). This could prove especially problematic to Beth in the school holidays (CONT) when she would like to spend additional time with her daughter. Lack of capital may be less of a problem because there are several sources of finance Beth could try, including crowd funding (L4).		L3 examples include: exhaustion, stress, poor health, lack of job satisfaction, limited social life, fewer customers, fewer sales, reduced customer satisfaction, lower revenue, etc.  NB: Max one L3 per L1/L2 point.  L4 evaluation – an overall judgement of which is the worst/ greatest/most important/most serious impact, etc. Award 10 marks for a non-contextual justified judgement (with no context) i.e. pick one with non-contextual reasoning. Award 11 marks for a contextual justified judgement (with context) i.e. pick one with contextual reasoning. Award 12 marks for a detailed, contextual justified judgement (with context) i.e. pick one and explain rejection of at least one of the others (explanation of rejection must be explicit).  Examples of context (for 11+ marks): 5 employees, takeaway, food, restaurant, university, daughter, school holidays, pineapple, mushroom, meal, USA, mortgage, £80,000, £6000, 1500 customers, £10, £12k costs, £10k profit, etc but (not pancakes as it is in the name of the business).  NB Accept drawbacks to the business as well as drawbacks to Beth personally throughout all levels, since Beth is a sole trader.  NB Business fails/business failure – TV.

	SECTION C							
Q	uestion		Answer			Marks	Guidance	
29			Indicative content:			3	One mark for identifying an objective that has been achieved.  AND	
		Obj	Actual	Objective	Outcome		One mark for identifying an objective that has not been	
		A   Cust	11400/12 = 950 customers	1500 customers	Not met		achieved, to a maximum of <b>two</b> such objectives.	
		B Rev	£123120/11400 = £10.80	£10.00	Met		Objectives met = B (Revenue) or C (Costs).	
							Objective B Revenue per customer £10.00	
		C Cost	£121550/12 = £10,129	£12,000	Met		Objective Difference per customer £10.00  Objective C Total costs per month £12000	
		D Profit	£123120 – 121550 =£1570	£10,000	Not met		Objectives not met = A (Customer) or D (Profit).	
							Objective A Number of customers per month1500 Objective D Profit for the year £10000	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
30	Use level of response criteria.	12	Levels of response
	Responses include:		Level 4 (10 - 12 marks) Candidate evaluates likely impacts on Filmore Pancakes of
	<ul><li>protests</li><li>petitions</li></ul>		not listening to the complaints of local residents.
	<ul> <li>bad publicity</li> <li>damaged reputation/getting a bad name/bad image</li> <li>bad reviews/poor online ratings</li> </ul>		Level 3 (7 - 9 marks) Candidate analyses likely impacts on <i>Filmore Pancakes</i> of not listening to the complaints of local residents.
	<ul> <li>lack of goodwill</li> <li>a boycott</li> <li>poor/lack of customer satisfaction</li> <li>involvement of local MP/(local) council</li> </ul>		Level 2 (4 – 6 marks) Candidate explains likely impacts on <i>Filmore Pancakes</i> of not listening to the complaints of local residents.
	<ul><li>involvement of pressure groups</li><li>planning permission issues</li><li>increased costs</li></ul>		Level 1 (1 – 3 marks) Candidate identifies likely impacts on <i>Filmore Pancakes</i> of not listening to the complaints of local residents.
	<ul> <li>fewer customers</li> <li>lower revenue</li> <li>higher breakeven point</li> <li>poorer cash flow</li> </ul>		<b>L1</b> – identifies an impact. Award bottom of mark band for 1 impact identified, middle of mark band for 2 impacts identified, and top of mark band for 3 or more impacts identified.
	<ul> <li>public health/hygiene inspections</li> <li>business being <u>forced</u> to close down</li> <li>facing legal action/being taken to court/being sued</li> <li>in trouble with the police</li> <li>business going bankrupt.</li> </ul>		L2 – any development of L1 point which falls short of being analytical e.g. explains the cause of an impact, describes an impact or suggests a further impact which is stakeholderfacing (rather than business-facing). Award bottom of mark band for the development of 1 impact, middle of mark band for the development of 2 impacts, and top of mark band for the development of 3 or more impacts.
	Exemplar response:		L3 – analysis which is business-facing i.e. an impact on the
	One impact of not listening to these complaints is that the local residents may take to social media to discuss their complaints (L1). This may damage <i>Filmore Pancakes</i> ' reputation (L3).		business of the L1 identified. Award bottom of mark band for 1 impact analysed, middle of mark band for 2 impacts analysed, and top of mark band for 3 or more impacts analysed.  L3 examples include: damage to reputation, bad publicity,
	In addition, the business might receive negative publicity in the local press (L1). This would increase the number of people who hear bad things about the business (L2)		increased costs, lower profits, reduced cash flow, higher breakeven point, fewer customers, reduced customer satisfaction, less sales, etc.

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	and lead to a significant reduction in customers (L3).  The biggest impact on Filmore Pancakes is likely to be negative publicity in the local press causing a loss of custom. This is because gaining sufficient customers is a particular problem for the business (L4) as shown by its failure to meet its objective of 1500 customers per month (CONT). Complaints on social media may be less damaging as the business can respond to such posts in an effort to counteract the negativity (L4).		NB: Max one L3 per L1/L2 point.  L4 evaluation – an overall judgement of which is the worst/ greatest/most important/most likely impact, etc. Award 10 marks for a non-contextual justified judgement (with no context) i.e. pick one with non-contextual reasoning. Award 11 marks for a contextual justified judgement (with context) i.e. pick one with contextual reasoning. Award 12 marks for a detailed, contextual justified judgement (with context) i.e. pick one and explain rejection of at least one of the others (explanation of rejection must be explicit).  Examples of context (for 11+ marks): 5 employees, takeaway, food, restaurant, university, daughter, school holidays, pineapple, mushroom, meal, USA, mortgage, £80,000, £6000, 1500 customers, £10, £12k costs, £10k profit, etc but (not pancakes as it is in the name of the business).  NB Local residents are also customers. Such answers should be awarded e.g. boycotts.  Do not award local residents/customers going on strike. However, do award employees going on strike.  Do not award impacts of litter, noise or anti-social behaviour – the questions is about impacts of not listening to local residents.  Do not award solutions or business improvements.

	SECTION C						
Question		ion	Answer		Guidance		
31	(a)		Indicative content:	4	Up to <b>four</b> marks.		
			(£5000 + £3400) x 12 = 1866.67 x12 = <b>22,400</b> £5.50 - £1.00		Award <b>four</b> marks for the correct answer: <b>22,400</b> .		
					Award <b>three</b> marks for monthly BE: <u>1867</u> (accept 1866).		
					Else, award one mark for each of the following, if seen: '100800' and '4.50' (accept 4.5).		
31	(b)		Responses include:	1	For <b>one</b> mark.		
			difference between actual/current sales level and breakeven level		Do <b>not</b> award vague answers e.g. DNA 'how far you are away from BE', 'how close the business is to making a loss' 'the amount that is over the BEP'. Please annotate TV. Some		
			difference between actual number of customers and the number of customers required to break even		reference to sales/output/customers/operating level/number of pancakes, etc required.		
			operating level minus breakeven level (or vice versa as could be operating below break even)		No context required.		
			amount by which <u>sales/output</u> can fall before the business makes a loss.				

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32	Use level of response criteria.	12	Levels of response
	<ul> <li>Responses include:</li> <li>disposable income e.g.</li> <li>high levels of disposable income, high level of</li> </ul>		Level 4 (10 - 12 marks) Candidate evaluates which social factor would best secure the long-term success of <i>Filmore Pancakes</i> .
	income/high wages o low levels of poverty social trends e.g.		Level 3 (7 - 9 marks) Candidate analyses one or more social factors which might have a positive impact on <i>Filmore Pancakes</i> .
	<ul> <li>healthy eating trend/feel need to be healthy</li> <li>anti-obesity trend/weight conscious trend</li> <li>trend towards veganism/vegetarianism</li> <li>trend to buy takeaways</li> </ul>		Level 2 (4 – 6 marks) Candidate shows understanding of one or more social factors which might have a positive impact on <i>Filmore Pancakes</i> .
	<ul> <li>retail therapy trend/lots of people like shopping</li> <li>trend to support small, independent businesses</li> <li>low crime rate</li> </ul>		Level 1 (1 – 3 marks) Candidate identifies one or more social factors which might have a positive impact on <i>Filmore Pancakes</i> .
	<ul> <li>demographic issues e.g.</li> <li>larger local population/more people in area</li> <li>lots of couples/young families in the area</li> <li>large number of teenagers in the area</li> <li>lots of students</li> </ul>		L1 – identifies a social factor e.g. high levels of disposable income. Award bottom of mark band for 1 social factor identified, middle of mark band for 2 social factors, and top of mark band for 3 or more social factors.
	<ul> <li>attitudes to work e.g.         <ul> <li>lots of local residents working from home</li> <li>lots of local workers buying lunch</li> <li>lots of part-time workers</li> </ul> </li> <li>cultural beliefs e.g.         <ul> <li>American cuisine being popular</li> </ul> </li> <li>Exemplar response:</li> </ul>		L2 – any development of L1 point which falls short of being analytical e.g. explains the cause of the factor (e.g. more houses built) or an impact which is stakeholder-facing (e.g. general public willing to spend more). Award bottom of mark band for the development of 1 social factor, middle of mark band for the development of 2 social factors, and top of mark band for the development of 3 or more social factors.
	One social factor which could have a positive impact on <i>Filmore Pancakes</i> is a change in demographics (0). For example, a greater number of teenagers living on the estate (L1) as teenagers are one of the business' main customer groups (L2). This would likely mean a greater cash inflow (L3) for the business.		L3 – analysis which is business-facing i.e. an impact on the business of an L1 factor. Award bottom of mark band for 1 factor analysed, middle of mark band for 2 factors analysed, and top of mark band for 3 or more factors analysed. Do not award 'more successful/less successful' – too vague for L3.  L3 examples include: improved cashflow, increased profits,

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Question	A second social factor would be high levels of disposable income (L1). This would mean that more families are likely to be able to afford a takeaway (L2), increasing Filmore Pancakes' profits (L3).  A third social factor is a desire to eat healthily (L1) even when having a weekend treat. This may lead to more sales at Filmore Pancakes (L3), since they offer healthy options.  I think that high disposable incomes for those who live in the area would best secure the success of Filmore Pancakes. This is because it would likely increase the number of customers the business receives and the average spend on a meal (CONT), increasing revenue in the long-term (L4). A greater number of teenagers living in the area may increase the amount of evening customers a little, but is unlikely to increase lunchtime sales, or the average spend per customer because teenagers have limited spending power (L4).	Widths	greater demand, higher sales, able to charge a higher price, etc.  NB: max one L3 per L1/L2 point.  L4 evaluation – an overall judgement of which social factor would best secure the success of Filmore Pancakes. Award 10 marks for a non-contextual justified judgement (with no context) i.e. pick one with non-contextual reasoning. Award 11 marks for a contextual justified judgement (with context) i.e. pick one with contextual reasoning. Award 12 marks for a detailed, contextual justified judgement (with context) i.e. pick one and explain rejection of at least one of the others (explanation of rejection must be explicit). L4 selection needs to be explicitly referenced and specific, not just for selecting a category e.g. 'social trends' is insufficient.  Examples of context (for 11+ marks): 5 employees, takeaway, food, restaurant, university, daughter, school holidays, pineapple, mushroom, meal, USA, mortgage, £80,000, £6000, 1500 customers, £10,£12k costs, £10k profit, etc but (not pancakes as it is in the name of the business).  NB Must be social factors. Do not award technological, economic, environmental, political, legal, ethical or competitor factors. E.g. DNA internet banking, mobile technology,
			unemployment, inflation, recycling, pollution, sustainability, etc.  NB Social factors are external factors, they always originate from the external business environment. Do not award any improvements the business could make as L1 social factors e.g. DNA L1 for 'change menu', 'use social media', 'advertise',

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Qu	<u>iestior</u>	n Answer	Marks	are, therefore, not external factors.  L1 factors must be of EXTERNAL origin, of SOCIAL origin and RELEVANT i.e. likely lead to a POSITIVE IMPACT on the success of Filmore Pancakes.  E.g. Do not award social trends to reduce sugar, as Filmore Pancakes does not offer low sugar pancakes. But do award social trends for a high fibre or low fat diet.  E.g. Do not award 'social media' as Filmore Pancakes does not use social media.  E.g. Do not award 'online shopping' as Filmore Pancakes does not have a website.  Do not award 'ageing' population or 'more older' people unless clearly linked to high disposable income.  No marks for naming the categories ie. disposable income, social trends, demographic issues, attitudes to work and cultural beliefs. A specific social factor that might have a positive impact on Filmore Pancakes is required.

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