

BUSINESS STUDIES

GRADE 11

Olympiad Paper

Round One

Marks: 30

Time: 1 hour

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Instructions

1. Complete questions on the ANSWER SHEET provided.
2. Complete all information on the ANSWER SHEET.
3. The ANSWER SHEET consist of 4 sections. Please select the correct section/subject.
4. There are 4 possible answers per question (A B C D)
Only one answer is correct.
Colour a circle completely.
5. Good luck!

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ROUND 1 - CHOOSE THE MOST CORRECT OPTION FOR QUESTIONS 1 – 30.

INFLUENCES ON AND CONTROL FACTORS INFLUENCING BUSINESS ENVIRONMENTS

1. According to the typical hierarchical arrangement of the lines of authority, the organisation is divided into smaller groups based on specialised functional areas.
 - A A functional organisation structure.
 - B Line organisation structure.
 - C Line and staff organisation structure.
 - D Matrix organisation structure.

2. Engen and Woolworths are examples of ____
 - A functional areas.
 - B intermediaries.
 - C competitors.
 - D strategic alliances.

3. Which one of the following scenarios is not considered a challenge from the market environment in which Woolworths operates?
 - A An advertising campaign by Pick n Pay promoting its joint venture with Discovery Health to encourage healthy eating.
 - B Lack of communication between top-level management and lower-level management on a new salary structure.
 - C Changes in the demographic structure of the target market.
 - D Willingness of suppliers to negotiate changes in the price of raw materials.

4. Evaluate if the following extract is classified as a Mission or Vision statement.

Our educational organisation raises the funds needed to create safe, high-quality schools in underprivileged communities so that every child has access to the quality of education they deserve. Our organisation will continue our mission until we have touched the lives of every child worldwide, and provided them access to a high-quality education so that they have the knowledge and skills necessary to be change-makers within their communities.

- A Combined mission and vision statement
- B Vision statement
- C Mission statement
- D None of the above

CHALLENGES IN BUSINESS ENVIRONMENTS

5. The state of the _____ environment affects business decisions on things such as spending, borrowing, and investing in the _____.

- A quaternary; tertiary
- B micro; macro
- C primary; secondary
- D macro; micro

6. On 1 April 2022, the corporate tax rate in South Africa has ____

- A decreased to 27%.
- B stayed unchanged at 28%.
- C increased to 29%.
- D increased to 30%.

7. The share prices on the JSE are determined by ____

- A supply and demand.
- B the Rand/Dollar exchange rate.
- C inflation.
- D stockbrokers.

8. SUSTAINABLE FIBRES

We work with farmers to help conserve natural habitats and recycle what we can into our fabrics. BETTER COTTON INITIATIVE: We're a member of the Better Cotton Initiative, which helps farmers improve their livelihoods while reducing environmental stress.

The extract above has an impact on a market factor and a macro factor. Identify the TWO factors.

I Supplier

II Environment

III Technology

IV Complimentary products

- A I and II
- B I and III
- C III and IV
- D II AND III

9. A mine workers union and negotiators at Impala Platinum were in talks/negotiations to head off a strike over wages that could affect global prices of the precious metal.

Most strikes are about wage negotiations. What is the current minimum wage in South Africa?

- A R21,69
- B R23,19
- C R20,35
- D R18,49

ADAPTING TO CHALLENGES IN BUSINESS ENVIRONMENTS

- 10.** What do we call investments that protect investors from the declining purchasing power of money due to inflation?
- A** Bear investments against recession.
 - B** Bull investments.
 - C** Influencing investments.
 - D** Hedging against inflation.
- 11.** The most likely impact of a recession on Pick n Pay would be ____
- A** an increase in wages.
 - B** an increase in retrenchments.
 - C** a decrease in disciplinary grievances.
 - D** a decrease in employer bargaining power.
- 12.** What do we call the activity of trying to persuade someone in a position of authority?
- A** Lobbying
 - B** Networking
 - C** Corruption
 - D** Fraud
- 13.** When Russia attacked Ukraine, the South African petrol price increased to new record highs. This led to a higher inflation rate. How can a local organisation overcome this challenge?
- A** Close the business temporarily until the petrol price has settled.
 - B** Load the additional transport cost on the selling price, so that the customer covers the extra cost.
 - C** Put a stop to all CSR projects until the war has ended.
 - D** Find a local supplier, offering a similar product at a similar price.
- 14.** What do we call business transactions in which the ownership of companies, other business organisations, or their operating units are transferred to or consolidated with another company?
- A** Takeover
 - B** Alliances
 - C** Merger
 - D** Intermediaries

IMPACT AND CHALLENGES OF CONTEMPORARY SOCIO-ECONOMIC ISSUES ON BUSINESS OPERATIONS

15. A symbol, word, or words legally registered or established for use as representing a company or product.
- A Copyright
 - B Trademark
 - C Patent
 - D Slogan
16. This Act regulates the organisational rights of trade unions and promotes and facilitates collective bargaining at the workplace and at the sectoral level.
- The above statement is the purpose of which legislation?
- A Basic Conditions of Employment Act.
 - B Skills Development Act.
 - C Labour Relations Act.
 - D Consumer Protection Act.
17. Stats SA reported the population of South Africa to be 60.6 million citizens. Unemployment is at an all-time high of 34.2%. How many citizens are jobless?
- A 20.72 million
 - B 20.40 million
 - C 19.32 million
 - D 18.5 million
18. One of the biggest social challenges faced by contemporary South African businesses is to promote ___ in the workplace.
- A human rights
 - B equality
 - C diversity
 - D all the above
19. *Takes place in response to a strike or to force the employees to accept a demand of the employer.*
- Which industrial action is best described by this statement?
- A Sympathy strike
 - B Lockout
 - C Picketing
 - D Go-slow
20. What does the following abbreviation for the largest trade union in South Africa stand for?
COSATU
- A Constitution of South African Trade Unions.
 - B Conciliation of South African Trade Unions.
 - C Congress of South African Trade Unions.
 - D Co-operation of South African Trade Unions.

BUSINESS SECTORS

- 21.** Which one of the following sectors contributes most to South Africa's GDP?
- A** Manufacturing
 - B** Agriculture
 - C** Mining
 - D** Construction
- 22.** Fill in the missing information: *FocusEconomics Consensus Forecast panelists project GDP to expand _____% in 2023.*
- A** 0.9
 - B** 1.2
 - C** 1.4
 - D** 2.5
- 23.** The following is a suggested list of businesses in the Primary Sector of the economy.
- 1. Sappi
 - 2. Nedbank
 - 3. Aqua Monte Bottling Plant
 - 4. De Beers
 - 5. I&J
- Choose the correct combination:**
- A** 1, 3 and 5
 - B** 1, 2 and 5
 - C** 1, 4 and 5
 - D** 3, 4 and 5

WAYS OF ACQUIRING A BUSINESS AND COMPANIES AS A FORM OF OWNERSHIP

24. Which term best describes the following definition relating to forms of ownership?

A business practice in which a company hires a third party to perform tasks, handle operations, or provide services for the company.

- A Sole trader
- B Leasing
- C Franchising
- D Outsourcing

25. Define the term “unlimited liability” as it relates to forms of ownership.

- A Unlimited liability means business owners are not responsible for their companies' debts.
- B Legal capacity to enter into agreements or contracts.
- C Unlimited liability means business owners are responsible for their business' debts.
- D No legal capacity to enter into agreements or contracts.

26. Which of the following is not an example of a franchise?

- A KFC
- B Wimpy
- C Spar
- D Starbucks

27. Complete the missing information in the statement below:

PNC Financial (PNC) filed a _____ with the Securities and Exchange Commission in 2019 requesting a new issuance of debt.

- A MOI
- B Prospectus
- C Commencement statement
- D Incorporation memorandum

28. Profit shared in a private company is known as ____

- A dividends paid.
- B capital paid.
- C debenture paid.
- D none of the above.

29. How much does it cost to register a company?

- A R125
- B R550
- C R1250
- D R2560

- 30.** Some years ago your stockbroker advised you to buy shares in Ecomove Ltd. You invested heavily in this share and owned 10% of the issued share capital. Due to cash flow problems, Ecomove was declared insolvent by the courts. As a part owner of the business you stand to lose ____
- A** nothing.
 - B** everything, including your personal possessions.
 - C** the value of the shares that you purchased.
 - D** only those assets that were registered in your name at the time of the insolvency.