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Question	Answer				Marks
1(a)	Manufacturing Account for Marco for year ended 31 January 2018				**12**
		$	$		
	Opening inventory of raw materials		40 000		
	Purchases of raw materials	568 000			
	Carriage inwards	12 000		**(1)**	
	Returns outward	(23 000)		**(1)**	
	Net purchases		557 000		
			597 000		
	Closing inventory of raw materials		(42 000)	**(1) both**	
	Cost of raw materials consumed		555 000		
	Direct factory wages		265 000	**(1)**	
	Prime cost		820 000	**(1) OF**	
	Factory overheads				
	Indirect factory wages	159 000		**(1)**	
	Heating and lighting	56 000		**(1)**	
	Machinery depreciation	66 000		**(1)**	
	Rent and rates	72 000	353 000	**(1)**	
			1 173 000		
	Opening work in progress	60 000			
	Closing work in progress	(80 000)	(20 000)	**(1) both**	
	Cost of production		1 153 000		
	Factory profit		288 250	**(1) OF**	
	Transfer price		1 441 250	**(1) OF**	
1(b)	Extract from statement of Financial Position for Marco at 31 January 2018				**3**
	Current assets **(1)**	$	$		
	Inventories				
	Raw materials		42 000		
	Work in progress		80 000		
	Finished goods	150 000			
	Less provision for unrealised profit	(30 000)	120 000	**(1)**	
			242 000	**(1) OF**	

Question	Answer	Marks
1(c)	Realisation concept **(1)** Prudence concept **(1)**	**2**
1(d)(i)	It is important that Marco creates a provision for unrealised profit because: IAS2 states that inventory is valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, so unrealised profit should be removed from the inventory valuation otherwise profits **(1)** and current assets **(1)** will be overvalued. Realisation concept states that revenue should only be recorded in the business books of account when the goods have been sold for credit or cash**(1)** and prudence concept states that losses should be provided for as soon as they are anticipated but profits are not recorded until realised **(1)**	**4**
1(d)(ii)	Profit will be greater by $30 000 **(1)** if there is no provision for unrealised profit. However this profit is overstated **(1)** as the inventories have not been adjusted for unrealised profit. **(1)** Any decision based on these levels of profit would be based on expectations of a higher profit which may not be achieved **(1)**	**4**

Question	Answer			Marks
2(a)		$		**6**
	Sales (1850 + 340)	2 190	**(1)**	
	Purchases (900 + 200 – 60)	(1 040)	**(1)**	
	Repairs (160 + 120)	(280)	**(1)**	
	Carriage (90 + 50)	(140)	**(1)**	
	Rental	(100)	*	
	Advertising	(70)	***(1) both***	
	Profit	560	**(1) OF**	

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Raj’s books
Joint venture with John account
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<tr><td>Purchases</td><td>900</td><td></td><td>Sales</td><td>2 190</td><td>(1)</td></tr>
<tr><td>Repairs</td><td>280</td><td>(1)</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Carriage</td><td>90</td><td>(1)</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Share of profit</td><td>280</td><td>(1) OF</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Cash to John</td><td>500</td><td>(1)</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Cash in settlement to John</td><td>140</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
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John’s books
Joint venture with Raj account
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<tr><td>Rental</td><td>100</td><td>*(1)</td><td>Cash in settlement from Raj</td><td>140</td><td>(1) OF in both ac</td></tr>
<tr><td>Advertising</td><td>70</td><td>*</td><td>Bicycle for daughter</td><td>60</td><td>(1)</td></tr>
<tr><td>Purchases</td><td>200</td><td>(1)</td><td>Cash from Raj</td><td>500</td><td>(1)</td></tr>
<tr><td>Carriage</td><td>50</td><td>(1)</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Share of profit</td><td>280</td><td>(1) OF</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
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<tr><td>2(c)</td><td>In a joint venture one person may have the skills and another the contacts. (1) In this instance Raj has the selling contacts and can repair bicycles, whereas John is able to pay the overheads. (1)</td><td>2</td></tr>
<tr><td>2(d)</td><td>Raj appears to be doing most of the work repairing and selling the bicycles. (1) The bicycles purchased by John were not as profitable as the ones he purchased. (1) Raj purchased bicycles for $990 plus repairs of $160 = $1150 but sold for $1850 so profit of $700 / 12 = $58.33 each (1) whereas the bicycles John purchased only made a profit of $30 ($250 +$120= $370 but sold for $400). This is $30 / 4 = $7.50 each (1).
It may be more beneficial for Raj to work on his own rather than enter into a partnership with John (1)
Decision (1) plus 4 marks</td><td>5</td></tr>
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<tr><td></td><td>$</td><td></td><td>$</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Sales revenue</td><td>1 500 000</td><td></td><td>250 000</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Gross profit 50% / 45%</td><td>750 000</td><td>(1)</td><td>112 500</td><td>(1)</td></tr>
<tr><td>Profit for the year</td><td>132 000</td><td></td><td>19 800</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Operating expenses</td><td>618 000</td><td>(1) OF</td><td>92 700</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
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<tr><td>3(a)(ii)</td><td>
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<tr><td></td><td>$</td><td>$</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Sales revenue</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>($1 500 000 + $250 000) × 120%</td><td>2 100 000</td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Gross profit</td><td>1 050 000</td><td>1 050 000</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Original gross profit ($750 000 + $112 500)</td><td>862 500</td><td>(862 500)</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Increase in gross profit</td><td></td><td>187 500</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
<tr><td>Decrease in operating expenses</td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>($558 000 + $92 700) × 30%</td><td></td><td>195 210</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td></td><td>382 710</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Director’s fee</td><td></td><td>(30 000)</td><td>(1)</td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td></td><td>352 710</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
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<tr><td>3(b)</td><td>To reward the owner with the benefits of the increase in value over time of the assets. (1)

The fair value of assets (1) forms the base of calculating the purchase consideration. (1)
Max 1</td><td>1</td></tr>
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Question	Answer	Marks
3(c)	R Limited Statement of financial position after acquisition	**11**

	$	
Non-current assets		
Land and buildings **(W1)**	621 000	**(3)**
Plant and equipment	308 000	*
Goodwill **(W2)**	18 000	**(2)**
	947 000	
Current assets		
Inventory	138 000	* **(1)**
Trade receivables	159 000	**
Cash and cash equivalents	58 000	** **(1)**
	355 000	
Total assets	1 302 000	
Equity and liabilities		
Equity		
Ordinary shares of $1 each	950 000	**(1)**
Share premium	30 000	**(1)**
Revaluation reserve	28 000	**(1)**
Retained earnings	132 000	**(1)**
	1 140 000	
Current liabilities		
Trade payables	162 000	
Total equity and liabilities	1 302 000	

W1: $454 000 **(1)** + $139 000 **(1)** + $28 000 **(1)** = $621 000

Question	Answer	Marks
3(c)	**W2** | | $ | | |---|---|---| | Land and buildings | 139 000 | | | Plant and equipment | 14 000 | | | Inventory | 40 000 | | | Trade receivables | 36 000 | | | Trade payables | (67 000) | | | | 162 000 | **(1)** | | Purchase consideration | 180 000 | **(1)** | | Goodwill | 18 000 | |	
3(d)	Responses could include: For the purchase: • Joe Tu's expertise / knowledge / experience brought to the business • Issuing shares to Joe Tu so that his personal interest is linked with the business • Synergy effect which has long-term benefit • Economy of scale **Max 2** Against the purchase: • Control is diluted • Interest in the company is diluted • May be friction between the directors Accept any reasonable alternative **Max 2 and 1 Decision**	**5**

Question	Answer	Marks
4(a)	Responses could include: <table><tr><td>Shareholders</td><td>Directors</td></tr><tr><td>Principal</td><td>Agent</td></tr><tr><td>Master</td><td>Steward</td></tr><tr><td>Owners of the company</td><td>Management of the company</td></tr><tr><td>Entrust responsibilities to directors</td><td>Accountable to shareholders</td></tr><tr><td>Do not interfere with the daily operations of the company</td><td>Conduct daily operations of the company</td></tr><tr><td>Making decisions in general meeting relating to e.g. appointment of auditor</td><td>Making daily operating, financing and investing decisions</td></tr></table> (**1 mark**) × 4 valid points **Max 2 for each**	**4**
4(b)	Responses could include: • It is not required by law • Sole proprietor is the one who contributes capital and manages the business Accept any reasonable alternative (**1 mark**) × one valid reason	**1**
4(c)	<table><tr><td></td><td></td><td>$</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Original profit</td><td></td><td>78 000</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>Less :</td><td>Inventory overvalued</td><td>(16 000)</td><td>**(1)**</td></tr><tr><td>Add :</td><td>Cash dividend</td><td>75 000</td><td>**(1)**</td></tr><tr><td></td><td>Proposed dividend</td><td>82 500</td><td>**(1)**</td></tr><tr><td>Less :</td><td>Rent undercharged</td><td>(21 000)</td><td>**(2)**</td></tr><tr><td>Adjusted profit</td><td></td><td>198 500</td><td>**(1) OF**</td></tr></table> Working Inventory overvalued $120 000 – $104 000 = $16 000 Rent undercharged ($21 000 × 6) – $105 000 **(1)** = $21 000 **(1)**	**6**

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Stock valuation
• Both FIFO and AVCO are permitted by IAS 2
• Adoption of either method is an accounting policy
• Accounting policy should be consistently applied
• Accounting policy should not be changed for the sole purpose of increasing current year profit.

Dividend
• Dividend paid is distribution of profit, not expenses.
• Dividend paid should be accounted for in the Statement of Changes in Equity
• Proposed dividend is not regarded as liability
(1 mark) × 6 valid points, 3 marks for each item</td><td>6</td></tr>
<tr><td>4(e)</td><td>Statement of Changes in Equity for the year ended 31 December 2017
<table>
<tr><th></th><th>Share Capital
$</th><th>Share Premium
$</th><th>Retained Earnings
$</th><th>Total
$</th></tr>
<tr><td>Balance at 1 January 2016</td><td>500 000</td><td>80 000</td><td>94 000</td><td>674 000</td></tr>
<tr><td>Profit for the year</td><td></td><td></td><td>198 500 (1) OF</td><td>198 500</td></tr>
<tr><td>Dividend paid</td><td></td><td></td><td>(75 000) (1)</td><td>(75 000)</td></tr>
<tr><td>Bonus shares</td><td>50 000</td><td>(50 000) (1)</td><td></td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Balance at 31 December 2016</td><td>550 000</td><td>30 000</td><td>217 500 (1)OF</td><td>797 500 000</td></tr>
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<tr><td>4(f)</td><td>Responses could include:
• True and fair view
• Auditor is independent third party so more dependable
• More credible documents
• The bank may also request for other information, i.e. budgeted financial statements
• Request a business plan
• Bank may require collateral
Accept any reasonable alternative
1 for decision
(1 mark) × 3 valid points</td><td>4</td></tr>
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<tr><td>5(a)</td><td>Budgetary control is the planning of the use of resources **(1)** including money through the use of budgets **(1)** to achieve an overall objective. **(1) max 2**</td><td>2</td></tr>
<tr><td>5(b)</td><td>
Labour budget
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<tr><th></th><th>Casting</th><th></th><th>Polishing</th><th></th><th>Finishing</th><th></th></tr>
<tr><td></td><td>$</td><td></td><td>$</td><td></td><td>$</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Production</td><td>24 000</td><td></td><td>24 000</td><td></td><td>24 000</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>Labour hours</td><td>16 000</td><td>**(1)**</td><td>6 000</td><td>**(1)**</td><td>48 000</td><td>**(1)**</td></tr>
<tr><td>Number of employees</td><td>8</td><td>**(1) OF**</td><td>3</td><td>**(1) OF**</td><td>24</td><td>**(1) OF**</td></tr>
<tr><td>Labour cost</td><td>192 000</td><td>**(1) OF**</td><td>48 000</td><td>**(1) OF**</td><td>672 000</td><td>**(1) OF**</td></tr>
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Each employee works 50 × 40 = 2000 hours a year
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<tr><td>5(c)</td><td>
Hyung Min would find budgetary control beneficial to achieve the target profit because it would control **(1)** resources i.e. staff so correct number of staff **(1)** allocated to correct department **(1)** and not sitting around idle. **(1)**

• Plan **(1)** by allocating the right number of staff as needed **(1)** to keep labour costs down **(1)**
• communicate and coordinate **(1)** between production, sales and human resources **(1)** so right number of staff for the right department **(1)**

May also explain the following reasons:

• Motivation to reach targets
• Performance evaluation
• Aids decision making

(**(1)** for each benefit plus **(1)** for explanation and relevance to Hyung Min) × **3**
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Question	Answer	Marks
5(d)	With the casting department Hyung Min has an adverse efficiency variance of $57 000. This means the workforce employed were not as efficient and spent more time than expected to produce the 28 500 vases. **(1)** this may be because they were not as skilled as expected **(1)** or the machinery kept breaking down **(1)** or there were other faults in the production line. Finally it could be because the quality of the material was less than expected and so took longer to use **(1) max 3** In both the polishing and finishing departments there are adverse rate variances which means that Hyung Min paid out more money per hour than he expected to do. This may be because he employed employees with more skills in these departments. **(1)** Alternatively there may be a scarcity of labour in the area so more has to be paid to attract the workforce **(1)** **Overall max 4 (1)**	**4**
5(e)	Overall total labour variance was favourable **(1)** by $1500 **(1)**. Therefore it is not a cause of concern **(1)**. However, rate variance in finishing and efficiency in casting are quite high. Therefore take some action to reduce these **(1)**.	**4**

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<tr><td>6(a)</td><td>Net present value uses discounted rates to calculate the present value of future money (1) whereas the payback method does not. (1)
The net present value method considers all (1) the cash flows of a capital investment whereas the payback method just considers those cash flows up to the date of payback. (1)</td><td>4</td></tr>
<tr><td>6(b)(i)</td><td>Payback is 3 years (1) and 2 months (1)</td><td>2</td></tr>
<tr><td>6(b)(ii)</td><td>
<table>
<tr><th>year</th><th>net cash flow
$</th><th></th><th>discount rate</th><th>present value
$</th><th></th></tr>
<tr><td>0</td><td>(210 000)</td><td></td><td>1</td><td>(210 000)</td><td></td></tr>
<tr><td>1</td><td>72 000</td><td>(W1)</td><td>0.926</td><td>66 672</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
<tr><td>2</td><td>72 000</td><td></td><td>0.857</td><td>61 704</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
<tr><td>3</td><td>72 000</td><td></td><td>0.794</td><td>57 168</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
<tr><td>4</td><td>72 000</td><td></td><td>0.735</td><td>52 920</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
<tr><td>5</td><td>72 000</td><td></td><td>0.681</td><td>49 032</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
<tr><td></td><td></td><td></td><td>Net present value</td><td>77 496</td><td>(1) OF</td></tr>
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W1 210 000 / 35 = 6000 (1) per month × 12 = 72 000 (1) per year</td><td>8</td></tr>
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6(b)(iii)	ARR Machine A 72 000 – 210 000 / 5 = 30 000 profit **(1) OF** Cost of investment 210 000 / 2 = 105 000 **(1)** ARR = 30 000 / 105 000 × 100 = 28.57% **(1) OF** Machine B 51 000 – 161 500 / 4 = 10 625 **(1)** Cost of investment 161 500 / 2 = 80 750 **(1)** ARR 10 625 / 80 750 × 100 = 13.16% **(1) OF**	**6**
6(c)	**Decision (1) plus (4) for justification** Machine A has a greater annual cash flow of $72 000 compared to $51 000. **(1)OF** Machine A has the greater cash flows and expected life **(1)OF**, NPV **(1)OF**, ARR **(1)OF** and quicker payback. **(1)OF** Daniyar should choose machine A **(1)** provided that it can be financed **(1)**. **Max 5**	**5**