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BUSINESS STUDIES

0450/21

Paper 2

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1 hour 45 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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Answer **all** questions.

The Insert contains the case study.

The businesses described in this question paper are entirely fictitious.

At the end of the examination, fasten all your work securely together.

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- 1 (a) Identify and explain **four** reasons why Kolo might want to set up his own business rather than work for an employer.

Reason 1:

Explanation:

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Reason 2:

Explanation:

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Reason 3:

Explanation:

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Reason 4:

Explanation:

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- 2 (a) Kolo wants to get information about his competitors. Identify and explain **four** ways Kolo could research this information.

Way 1:

Explanation:

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Way 2:

Explanation:

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Way 3:

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Way 4:

Explanation:

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(b) Kolo plans to promote his new business. Consider the advantages and disadvantages of the following methods of promotion. Recommend which method he should choose. Justify your choice.

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Advertising in local newspapers:

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Free car repairs for a year with every car purchase:

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Offering price reductions to the first 100 customers:

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Recommendation:

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- 3 (a) Kolo needs to buy parts to repair cars. He plans to buy these parts directly from large manufacturers. Identify and explain **one** advantage and **one** disadvantage for a small business of buying from large companies.

Advantage:

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Explanation:

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Disadvantage:

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Explanation:

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(b) There are three possible sites for the new garage. Consider the advantages and disadvantages of each site. Recommend which site Kolo should choose. Justify your choice.

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Site A:
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Site B:
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Site C:
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Recommendation:
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- 4 (a) Explain **how** the economic data from Appendix 3 could affect the success of Kolo's new garage.

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Unemployment:

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Economic growth:

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- 5 (a) Kolo plans to use different methods of payment for mechanics (car repair workers) and sales staff. Identify and explain a suitable method of payment for mechanics and a suitable method of payment for sales staff.

Payment method for mechanics:

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Explanation:

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Payment method for sales staff:

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Explanation:

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