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Pearson Edexcel
Level 3 GCE

Total Marks

Economics A
Advanced
Paper 3: Microeconomics and Macroeconomics

Tuesday 4 June 2019 – Morning

Time: 2 hours plus your additional time allowance.

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You do not need any other materials.

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Data Book

INSTRUCTIONS

There are two sections in this question paper.

In Section A, answer ALL questions 1(a) to 1(c) and ONE question from 1(d) or 1(e).

In Section B, answer ALL questions 2(a) to 2(c) and ONE question from 2(d) or 2(e).

Answer the questions in the spaces provided in this question paper or in the Data Book – there may be more space than you need.

INFORMATION

The total mark for this paper is 100

The marks for EACH question are shown in brackets – use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.

Calculators may be used.

ADVICE

Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.

Check your answers if you have time at the end.

SECTION A

Read Figure 1, Extract A, Extract B and Extract C in the Data Book before answering Question 1.

Answer ALL Questions 1(a) to 1(c), and EITHER Question 1(d) OR 1(e).

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

You are advised to spend 1 hour plus some of your additional time allowance on this section.

1. Markets for food and drinks high in fat, salt or sugar (HFSS)

(a) With reference to Figure 1 and Extract A, explain what is meant by a ‘highly concentrated’ market for potato crisps (Extract A, line 2).

(5 marks)

(b) Apart from changes in indirect taxes and subsidies, examine TWO causes of income inequality within a developed economy such as the UK.

(8 marks)

(c) In Extract A, lines 17–19, it was suggested that some firms may respond to the advertising ban by cutting the prices of their products.

Using game theory and the information provided in Figure 1 and Extract A, discuss the effects on firms of cutting prices in an oligopolistic market.

(12 marks)

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EITHER

(d) Evaluate the microeconomic and macroeconomic effects of increased government spending on education to promote healthy eating in the UK.

(25 marks)

OR

(e) Evaluate the likely microeconomic and macroeconomic effects of imposing a tax on HFSS foods.

(25 marks)

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SECTION B

Read Figure 2, Figure 3, Extract D, Extract E and Extract F in the Data Book before answering Question 2.

Answer ALL Questions 2(a) to 2(c), and EITHER Question 2(d) OR 2(e).

Write your answers in the spaces provided.

You are advised to spend 1 hour plus some of your additional time allowance on this section.

2. Mozambique

(a) With reference to Extract D line 23, explain why 'opportunity cost' is a problem for governments of developing countries when servicing debt.
(5 marks)

(b) Examine TWO reasons, apart from access to finance, why 90% of the manufacturing sector in Mozambique 'is made up of small enterprises' (Extract E, line 10).
(8 marks)

(c) Discuss whether borrowers benefit from microfinance. Make reference to Mozambique in your answer.
(12 marks)

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EITHER

(d) Evaluate the microeconomic and macroeconomic factors, apart from access to credit and banking, influencing growth and development in Mozambique.

(25 marks)

OR

(e) Evaluate the likely microeconomic and macroeconomic effects of relatively high inflation rates in many African countries.

(25 marks)

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EITHER

(d) Evaluate the microeconomic and macroeconomic factors, apart from access to credit and banking, influencing growth and development in Mozambique.

(25 marks)

OR

(e) Evaluate the likely microeconomic and macroeconomic effects of relatively high inflation rates in many African countries.

(25 marks)

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(Total for Question 2 = 50 marks)

TOTAL FOR SECTION B = 50 MARKS

TOTAL FOR PAPER = 100 MARKS

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