

FACULTY OF MANAGEMENT

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

FINAL ASSESSMENT

MODULE : STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING

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DURATION : THREE (3) HOURS

TIME : 8h30 to 11h30

VENUE :

TOTAL MARKS : 100

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. This is a closed-book assessment.
- 2. Question papers must be handed in.
- 3. Read the questions carefully and answer only what is asked.
- 4. Number your answers clearly.
 - a. Indicate the numbers of the questions on the front cover of your answering book.
 - b. Answer all the questions (based on the case study) in the examination book provided.
 - c. Start every question on a new page.
- 5. The general University of Johannesburg policies, procedures and rules pertaining to written assessments apply to this assessment.
- 6. Table A-2 with the Present Value Interest Factors is attached as Annexure A.
- 7. Ratio Formulas are attached as Annexure B.

QUESTION 1

Tru-Cape announces non-roll square fruit

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Cape Town - SA fruit supplier Tru-Cape Fruit Marketing has announced a programme to create square apples and pears.

This is to make slicing easier and to stop them rolling off kitchen counter surfaces onto the floor.



According to quality assurance manager Henk Griessel, who is behind the test bloc of trees being grown on Oak Valley Estate, Grabouw, this move follows a growing Asian trend to mould fruit into shapes.

"We saw some Chinese pears in the shape of The Buddha and have previously successfully created images on fruit by applying decals during the growing process to create effectively suntanning lines," he explained.

Buks Nel, Tru-Cape's varietal expert, said that many growers approached him to find a more effective way of packing fruit into bins and a way to stop them rolling about.

"We are pleased to report that we can pack more square fruit into a bin now that we have utilised the space that round fruit wastes," he said.

Tru-Cape managing director Roelf Pienaar said while square fruit might make packing more efficient, Tru-Cape's fruit is sold by weight rather than number.

He determined that an initial investment of R500,000 (R200,000 in current assets and R300,000 in fixed assets) is necessary. These funds can be obtained in three ways, as illustrated in Table 1 as Alternatives A, B and C. In Alternative A, Roelf Pienaar would invest the full R500,000 without borrowing. Alternatives B and C will involve borrowing at 23% and 29% annual interest respectively.

Regardless of which alternative he chooses, Pienaar expects sales to average R300,000, costs and operating expenses to average R180,000 and earnings to be taxed at a 27% rate.

The return available on a risk-free investment is 10%. The company's risk relative to the average systematic risk has a 1.2 beta. Having examined the historical data, investors have on average earned about 5% more by taking on additional risk through investing in the stock market.

Projected balance sheets and income statements associated with the three plans are summarised in Table 1.

You are required to:

1.1 Compare the leverage of the three alternatives in Table 1. In terms of each alternative, draw conclusions on the effect of leverage on ROE as well as the operating ratios respectively. (14)

- 1.2 Should Pienaar opt for Alternative C, will his company be able to create true economic value for his shareholders? Your answer must include all calculations as well as an interpretation of the calculated EVA. (12)
- 1.4 Based on your calculations in question 1.2 above, how much economic value added should be enough for Alternative C? (2)
- 1.5 Strategically, how could Pienaar increase his company's EVA? (2)

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TABLE 1: FINANCIAL STATEMENTS ASSOCIATED WITH ROEL PIENAAR'S

BALANCE SHEETS	ALTERNATIVES									
Current Assets Fixed Assets Total Assets (TA)	A	B	C							
	R	R	R							
	200,000	20,000	20,000							
	300,000	30,000	30,000							
	R 500,000	R 50,000	R 50,000							
Debt (23% & 29% interest respectively) Equity Total Capital (TC)	0	250,000	250,000							
	500,000	250,000	250,000							
	R 500,000	R 50,000	R 50,000							
INCOME STATEMENTS										
Sales less: Costs + Operating Expenses EBIT less: Interest Expense Net Profit before Tax less: Taxes (rate = 27%) Net Profit After Tax	300,000	300,000	300,000							
	180,000	180,000	180,000							
	120,000	120,000	120,000							
	0	57,500	72,500							
	R 120,000	R 62,500	R 47,500							
	32,400	16,875	12,825							
	R 87,600	R 45,625	R 34,675							
Profitability % Activity RONA % Interest % ROE % = NPAT/Equity Leverage = TC/Equity	40 0.6 24 0 ?	40 0.6 24 23 ? ?	40 0.6 24 29 ?							

Other Key Ratios

EcRONAT(EcROCE) = NOPATx100/TC NOPAT = Ebit - Tax $K_d = K\%(1-t)Debt$ $K_e = RfR + B(MRP)$ WACC = Equity x Ke Debt x K_d TC хK EVA = R - K (or NOPAT - CoC)

QUESTION 2

If a supermarket can reduce inventory days from 55 to 50 days (a cost of sales per day of R54 800) without facing a stock-out on any items calculate the impact on the activity ratio.

Net assets	=R2	240 000
Sales	= R 25 (000 000
Current Liabilities	= R 2 :	500 000
Fixed Assets	=R2 (000 000

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QUESTION 3

The financial statements of Shatterproof Ltd are made available to you.

Balance sheet 31 December 2013

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Opening equity	60 000
Opening Debt	40 000
Opening Capital	100 000
Fixed Assets	20 000
Working Capital	<u>80 000</u>
Nett Assets	100 000

Income Statement 1 January to 31 December 2013

	R
Sales	100 000
Cost of Sales	55 000
Gross Profit	45 000
Overheads	30 000
EBIT	15 000
Interest at 12%	4 800
Profit after interest	10 200
Tax at 40%	4 080
Net Income	6 120

Cost of Equity = 17.5%

You are required to calculate the EVA (25)

QUESTION 4

When shareholders purchase shares they are in effect paying today for the expectation of future stream cash from the company. The price paid represents the average value placed on the expected stream by buyers and sellers. In a free and efficient market, the calculated market value of each share of equity would equal the average view of buyers and sellers of the value per share, i.e. the share price.

You are required to calculate the MVA, market value when the following assumptions have been made:

- 1. Capital is effective from day 1 of year 1, Y1
- 2. WACC = 14% in Y0, 14% in Y1, 14% in Y2, 16.5% in Y3
- 3. 1000 shares have been issued
- 4. Interest, tax and leverage remain constant
- 5. Growth is 10% per annum

Income Statements

	Y0	Y1	Y2	Y3
	R	R	R	R
Sales		110 000	121 000	133 100
CoS		60 500	66 550	73 205
Gross Profit		49 500	54 450	59 895
Overheads		22 000	24 200	<u> 26 620</u>
EBIT		27 500	30 250	33 275
Interest		8 800_	9 680	<u>10 648</u>
PBT		18 700	20 570	22 627
Tax		7 480	8 228	9 051
Net Income		11 220	12 342	13 576
Taxed Interest		5 280	5 808	6 389
NOPAT		16 500	18 150	19 965
Dividends		5 220	5 742	6 316
Retained Earnings		6 000	6 600	7 260

Balance Sheets				
	Υ0	Y1	Y2	Y3
	R	R	R	R
Equity	60 000	66 000	72 600	79 860
Loans	40 000	44 000	48 400	53 240
Capital	100 000	110 000	21 000	133 100
Fixed Assets	60 000	66 000	72 600	79 860
Working Capital	40 000	44 000	48 400	53 240
Net Assets	100 000	110 000	121 000	133 100

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