

Department of Commercial Accounting

CREDIT MANAGEMENT 2

CRM22A2

Last Assessment Opportunity

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Time: 2 hours Marks: 100

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INSTRUCTIONS:

- This paper consists of 3 pages (including the cover page).
- Start each question on a new page.
- Calculators are allowed

Question	Topic	Marks	Time	
1	Ratio analysis	21	25 minutes	
2	Decision regarding the granting of credit	15	18 minutes	
3	Definitions	12	20 minutes	
4	The different forms of credit	5	6 minutes	
5	Decision regarding the granting of credit	17	21 minutes	
6	Decision regarding the granting of credit	10	12 minutes	
7	Ratio analysis	15	18 minutes	
		100	120 minutes	

QUESTION 1 - (21 marks)

- 1.1 Fully discuss the purpose of undertaking a detailed analysis of the annual financial statements of a business. (5)
- 1.2 Identify the inherent limitations to be considered by a credit analyst when analysing of annual financial statements of a business undertaking. (6)
- 1.3 Write down the formulae for the following ratios and briefly cite the meaning and interpretation of each ratio, alongside each one listed:
 - 1.3.1 Quick ratio
 - 1.3.2 Net profit margin
 - 1.3.3 Accounts payable payment period
 - 1.3.4 Return on equity
 - 1.3.5 Inventory turnover (10)

QUESTION 2 - (15 marks)

Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of an automated decision making process.

QUESTION 3 - (17 marks)

3.1 Define the following concepts in no more than two lines each:

3.1.1	Inflation	(2)
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3.1.5 Quick ratio (2)

3.1.6 Mortgage loan	(2)
3.1.7 Planning	(2)
3.1.8 Leading	(2)
3.1.9 Control	(1)

QUESTION 4 - (5 marks)

Clearly explain what you understand by the meaning of 'trade credit'.

QUESTION 5 - (17 marks)

Archie's Catering Services has always operated on a strictly 'cash sales only' basis in all of its business transactions since its inception. Archie's Catering Services is now considering the introduction of credit.

- 5.1 Explain five advantages that the granting of credit to its customers would hold for Archie's Catering Services. (11)
- 5.2 Explain five disadvantages that the granting of credit to its customers would hold for Archie's Catering Services. (6)

QUESTION 6 - (10 marks)

Explain in detail the various motives for a business to hold cash.

QUESTION 7 - (15 marks)

There are five critical success factors for any business. List these factors and explain why they are important for any business.

Hint: these relate to the categories of ratios.

