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Key to mark scheme abbreviations

M	mark is for method
m or dM	mark is dependent on one or more M marks and is for method
A	mark is dependent on M or m marks and is for accuracy
B	mark is independent of M or m marks and is for method and accuracy
E	mark is for explanation
✓or ft or F	follow through from previous incorrect result
CAO	correct answer only
CSO	correct solution only
AWFW	anything which falls within
AWRT	anything which rounds to
ACF	any correct form
AG	answer given
SC	special case
OE	or equivalent
A2,1	2 or 1 (or 0) accuracy marks
–x EE	deduct x marks for each error
NMS	no method shown
PI	possibly implied
SCA	substantially correct approach
c	candidate
sf	significant figure(s)
dp	decimal place(s)

No Method Shown

Where the question specifically requires a particular method to be used, we must usually see evidence of use of this method for any marks to be awarded.

Where the answer can be reasonably obtained without showing working and it is very unlikely that the correct answer can be obtained by using an incorrect method, we must award **full marks**. However, the obvious penalty to candidates showing no working is that incorrect answers, however close, earn **no marks**.

Where a question asks the candidate to state or write down a result, no method need be shown for full marks.

Where the permitted calculator has functions which reasonably allow the solution of the question directly, the correct answer without working earns **full marks**, unless it is given to less than the degree of accuracy accepted in the mark scheme, when it gains **no marks**.

Otherwise we require evidence of a correct method for any marks to be awarded.

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Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
1	(a) $P(X < 2) = P(X \leq 1)$.	M1	2	Award for 0.267 or 0.199 from adjacent columns seen
	$P = 0.231(1)$	A1		
	(b) Use of Po(14)	B1	3	Must be 8 – 7 Or formula applied to relevant λ 0.0304 to 0.0305
	$P(X \leq 8) - P(X \leq 7)$	M1		
	$= 0.0621 - 0.0316 = 0.0305$ Calculator $\rightarrow 0.0304$	A1		
	(c) Use of Po(12)	B1	3	0.156
	$1 - P(X \leq 15)$	M1		
	$1 - 0.8444 = 0.1556$	A1		
	(d) Tyres will often be sold in multiples.	E1	2	NB. Not ‘customers are not independent’, or ‘tyres & other product not independent’
	So not independent as required by Poisson	E1		
	or Garage has limited stock of tyres/time to change tyres	E1		Must be clearly tied to restriction of context, not simply ‘Poisson can be infinite, number of tyres cannot be’
	Poisson is not limited	E1		
	or Rate of sales not likely to be constant through the day	E1		Must tie to context. Not simply ‘mean must be constant’
Total			10	

SS02 (cont)

Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
2 (a)	$H_0: \mu = 72.8$	B1	8	Use of $\frac{8.7}{\sqrt{10}}$ Rest of method for z (ignore sign) AWR 2.07, must be -ve Comparison must be seen. AG B1 for ± 1.96 becomes A1 for 0.019 Then A1 for $0.019 < 0.025$
	$H_1: \mu \neq 72.8$	B1		
	$\bar{x} = 67.1$	B1		
	$z = \frac{(67.1 - 72.8)}{\frac{8.7}{\sqrt{10}}}$	M1 m1		
	$= -2.07$	A1		
	c.v. = ± 1.96	B1		
	Test statistic compared with negative critical value (diagram or statement). Reject H_0 , evidence that prices have changed.	A1		
	Alt. p value of 0.019 compared with 0.025 (or 0.038 compared with 0.05)			
(b)	Type I	M1	2	Or 'if mean is still 72.80' Defining both Type I and Type II without saying which might apply in this case scores 0.
	H_0 rejected or H_1 accepted	E1		
(c)	Method would not be valid.	E1	2	
	Only a small sample (so CLT does not apply)	E1		
(d)	Hotels on website may not be representative of hotels in Blackport Or Website prices may be inaccurate/out of date. Or Because the standard deviation may not actually be 8.7	E1	1	
	Total		13	

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Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
3(a)(i)	$E(X) = 0 \times 0.1 + 1 \times 0.15 + 2 \times 0.25 + 3 \times 0.35 + 4 \times 0.15 = 2.3$ $E(X^2) = 0^2 \times 0.1 + 1^2 \times 0.15 + 2^2 \times 0.25 + 3^2 \times 0.35 + 4^2 \times 0.15 (= 6.7)$ $\text{Var}(X) = "6.7" - 2.3^2 = 1.41$ s.d. = 1.19	M1 M1 m1 A1	4	Must see this working for this M1 These 3 marks are to be given if CAO seen from calculator work. AWRT 1.19
(ii)	$2.3 \times 24 - 1.7 \times 16$ = (£)28	M1 A1	2	Or by direct calculation of profit from probability distribution. AG
(b)(i)	0.5	B1	1	
(ii)	$E(X) = 0 \times 0.1 + 1 \times 0.15 + 2 \times 0.25 + 3 \times 0.5 = 2.15$ $2.15 \times 24 - 0.85 \times 16$ = (£)38	B1 M1 A1	3	
(iii)	More profit	E1	1	
(iv)	Might lose/disappoint customers who request lobster but cannot have it.	E1	1	OE Must refer to losing customers not profit
	Total		12	

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Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
4(a)(i)	5 013 5 013 thousand or 5 013 000	B1 B1	2	Consistent ignoring of thousands hereafter loses no further marks
(ii)	$19545 - 2877 - 12538 - 3597 = 533$	M1 A1	2	Accept 532 or 534 or 533000
(iii)	Figures are to nearest thousand. Two rounded down can lose a thousand Eg $1400 + 2400 = 1000 + 2000 = 3000$	E1	1	“Rounding error” accepted.
(b)(i)	Rising at first then decreasing later With peak at 1986	B1 B1	2	Allow use of an appropriate sketch graph. Single statement of “decreasing” scores 0
(ii)	At least 2 attempts at proportions seen At least 2 accurate proportions seen (at least 2 s.f.) Proportion may be expressed as decimal, percentage, ratio or fraction. Decreasing (with random variation)	M1 A1 A1	3	0.0388, 0.0382, 0.0376, 0.0364, 0.0374, 0.0374, 0.0362, 0.0339. Allow M1 A0 A1 if working with proportion of widowed males.
(c)	Totals are single 14516, married 21774, divorced 3940, widowed 3264 $\div 43494$ and $\times 360$ $120^\circ, 180^\circ, 33^\circ, 27^\circ$	M1 M1 A1	3	Attempt to obtain correct totals Full method Allow one slip or extra s.f.
	Total		13	

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Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
5(a)	Points plotted correctly	B1	1	Allow single small slip
(b)	3 point averages calculated.... ..by correct method Correct values obtained Located at correct <i>x</i> positions And plotted correctly	B1 M1 A1 m1 A1	 5	4307, 4584, 4939, 5262, 5524, 5847, 6192 (3 s.f. acceptable) Monday Day through to Wed Day Allow single small slip
(c)	Fair line for their points	B1	1	
(d)	From table & averages or from graph $(+1000+1112+1150) \div 3$ $= +1087$	M1 m1 A1	 3	Seasonal effect measured three times and averaged 1040 – 1140
(e)	7150 +1090 $= 8240$	M1 A1	 2	From their graph and (d) 8100 – 8400
(f)(i)	Points plotted correctly	B1	1	
(ii)	Day figure well above forecast from (e) Pattern of calls has changed (E higher than D)	E1 E1	 2	
	Total		15	

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Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
6(a)(i)	Use 3-figure random numbers Reject repeats, 000 and numbers > 500 Continue until 50 numbers generated. Use the numbers to identify the animals from the stock book.	E1 E1 E1 E1	4	Condone not mentioning 000 If candidate uses 0 to 499 they must relate to stock number for this mark
(ii)	The random sample may not include any goats (or too many).	E1	1	For showing appreciation that number of goats may be disproportionate
(b)(i)	Systematic.	B1	1	
(ii)	Not random Not every group of 50 can be chosen (Eg if 7 then not 8).	B1 E1	2	
(c)(i)	He decides how many of each type to test (Eg.33 sheep, 16 cattle and 1 goat) Then he tests any 33 sheep, 16 cattle and 1 goat that he finds.	M1 E1	2	Not necessarily proportionately stratified. Consistent with above.
(ii)	Convenience Or Guarantees at least one of each type of animal. Or Gives correct proportions	E1	1	If stratified in (i)
(iii)	The sample may be biased – he might only test the slower animals.	E1	1	OE Not simply ‘Not random’ – must say why this is a disadvantage
	Total		12	
	TOTAL		75	