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## Level 1 Business Studies, 2013

# 90837 Demonstrate an understanding of internal features of a small business

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Achievement	Achievement with Merit	Achievement with Excellence
Demonstrate an understanding of internal features of a small business.	Demonstrate a detailed understanding of internal features of a small business.	Demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of internal features of a small business.

Check that the National Student Number (NSN) on your admission slip is the same as the number at the top of this page.

#### You should attempt ALL the questions in this booklet.

Refer to relevant business knowledge and/or Māori business concepts in your answers.

If you need more room for any answer, use the extra space provided at the back of this booklet.

Check that this booklet has pages 2–15 in the correct order and that none of these pages is blank.

YOU MUST HAND THIS BOOKLET TO THE SUPERVISOR AT THE END OF THE EXAMINATION.

TOTAL

You are advised to spend 60 minutes answering the questions in this booklet.

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#### **QUESTION ONE: BUSINESS AIMS AND OBJECTIVES**

Use the information in the boxes and your business knowledge to complete the following tasks.

*Mīere Reka* (Sweet Honey) has had a relationship with the local iwi (large Māori tribal group) for the past 10 years. A large number of its staff have strong connections to the local area. Honey is sourced locally and harvested by staff skilled in extraction methods that are environmentally friendly. Like any other business, *Mīere Reka* has a number of business objectives.

(a)	Define the term "business objectives".	
b)	Identify TWO business objectives of <i>Mīere Reka</i> and fully explain <b>how</b> it could achieve the objectives to become a successful business.	se
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*Mīere Reka* incorporates the philosophy of "rangatiratanga" in its operations by ensuring the local iwi is consulted on significant management decisions. There is often general agreement between iwi, management, and employees about the business' aims and objectives, but there may be conflict about how to achieve them.

(c) Discuss how the philosophy of **rangatiratanga** may help *Mīere Reka* to achieve its business objectives.

In your answer:

- describe a possible conflict between iwi, management, and employees that could occur, when ONE of the business' objectives stated in (b) is being pursued
- explain the impact the conflict could have on the business

such conflict. Pro	ovide examples	to support you	r explanation.	

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### **QUESTION TWO: COMMUNICATION**

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Use the information in the boxes and your business knowledge to complete the following tasks.

	ective and efficient communication systems are essential for all businesses.
)	Describe how effective communication will assist <i>Mīere Reka</i> in achieving its objectives.
)	Fully explain, with examples, why management at <i>Mīere Reka</i> would use two-way rather than one-way communication with their staff.

7 Businesses use a range of visual, written, and oral communication. (c) Referring to a small business (up to 20 employees and/or with local or community significance) that you have studied, discuss the methods of communication used by businesses to ensure they operate efficiently. You MUST choose from the types of communication shown below. Visual Written Oral In your answer: describe TWO types of communication used by the named business fully explain, with examples, when each type of communication is most suitable for the business. Name of the small business Good(s) sold or service(s) provided Types of communication selected

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#### **QUESTION THREE: FINANCIAL RECORDS**

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Use the information in the boxes and your business knowledge to complete the following tasks.

Managing the finances of a small business is essential, but can be challenging for some

owners. (a) Describe the purpose of financial records in a small business. (b) Identify TWO potential users of Miere Reka's financial records. Fully explain why each user would be interested in the financial records of Mīere Reka. Give examples to support your explanations. (1) (2)

*Mīere Reka* has retained all of its financial documents in order to complete an accurate Income Statement.

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•	our answer: identify the purpose of an Income Statement
•	explain TWO problems the Income Statement may reveal fully explain actions <i>Mīere Reka</i> could take to avoid these problems in the future.

#### QUESTION FOUR: MARKET RESEARCH

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Use the information in the boxes and your business knowledge to complete the following tasks.

*Mīere Reka* specialises in the production of Manuka Honey. Management are considering expanding the business into the production of other types of honey, such as Rata and Wildflower. They have decided to carry out some market research to analyse the competition, prior to any expansion.

Jeseribe ur	ne importance of a business analysing its competition.
Fully explai opportunitie	in how market research could assist <i>Mīere Reka</i> to identify and evaluate es prior to expansion.

*Mīere Reka* has decided to use primary research as their main method for gathering the information they require.

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(c)	Discuss the benefits for Mīere Reka of completing a range of primary market research prior
	to expanding its business.

In your answer:

• describe ONE type of primary market research Mīere Reka could use

•	explain ONE advantage of this method of research for <i>Mīere Reka</i> fully explain TWO disadvantages of this method of research for <i>Mīere Reka</i> , compared with secondary research.						

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