

Question 10

(11 marks)

A school canteen manager recorded the number of ice-creams sold for three weeks. The data are recorded in the table below, together with some calculations.

	Sales day (<i>d</i>)	Ice-cream sales	Weekly mean	Percentage of weekly mean
Monday	1	210	<i>B</i>	132.9%
Tuesday	2	230		145.6%
Wednesday	3	100		63.3%
Thursday	4	90		57.0%
Friday	5	160		101.3%
Monday	6	190	148	128.4%
Tuesday	7	230		155.4%
Wednesday	8	90		60.8%
Thursday	9	80		54.1%
Friday	10	150		101.4%
Monday	11	180	142	126.8%
Tuesday	12	220		154.9%
Wednesday	13	<i>A</i>		<i>C</i>
Thursday	14	70		49.3%
Friday	15	150		105.6%

- (a) Determine the values of ***A***, ***B*** and ***C***, giving the value of ***C*** correct to one decimal place.
(4 marks)

- (b) (i) Use the average percentage method to complete the table below by calculating the seasonal index for Wednesday. (1 mark)

Day	Seasonal index
Monday	129.4% = 1.294
Tuesday	152.0% = 1.520
Wednesday	
Thursday	56.8% = 0.568
Friday	102.8% = 1.028

- (ii) Use the seasonal index to determine the deseasonalised number of ice-cream sales for Tuesday of Week Three, correct to the nearest 10. (2 marks)

- (c) The equation of the least-squares line used to forecast the deseasonalised number of ice-cream sales is

$$\text{deseasonalised number of ice-creams} = -1.695d + 161.16.$$

- (i) Describe the trend in the number of ice-cream sales over time. (1 mark)

- (ii) Predict the **actual** number of ice-cream sales for Friday of Week Four. (3 marks)