23 A business has the following assets and liabilities.

|                                       | \$000 | \$000 |
|---------------------------------------|-------|-------|
| non current (fixed) assets            |       | 420   |
| inventory (stocks)                    | 120   |       |
| trade receivables (debtors)           | 310   |       |
|                                       | 430   |       |
| trade payables (creditors)            | (220) |       |
| net current assets                    |       | _210_ |
| total assets less current liabilities |       | 630   |
| long term loan                        |       | (130) |
| net assets                            |       | 500   |

What is the business's quick (acid test) ratio?

- **A** 1.41 : 1
- **B** 1.95:1
- **C** 2.43:1
- **D** 3.86:1

24 The table shows the year end information for three companies.

| company | sales<br>\$ | operating profit as % of all sales | capital employed<br>\$ |
|---------|-------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Х       | 500 000     | 15                                 | 100 000                |
| Υ       | 200 000     | 8                                  | 40 000                 |
| Z       | 400 000     | 10                                 | 80 000                 |

How should the companies rank in order of return on the actual capital employed?

|   | return on capital employed |   |          |  |  |
|---|----------------------------|---|----------|--|--|
|   | highest —                  |   | → lowest |  |  |
| Α | Х                          | Z | Y        |  |  |
| В | Y                          | Z | X        |  |  |
| С | Z                          | X | Υ        |  |  |
| D | Z                          | Υ | X        |  |  |