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ITIR – ISTITUTO ECONOMICO INTERNAZIONALE QUADRIENNALE ARTICOLAZIONE RELAZIONI INTERNAZIONALI PER IL MARKETING

Tema di: ECONOMIA AZIENDALE E GEO-POLITICA e LINGUA INGLESE

Il candidato svolga la prima parte della prova e due tra i quesiti proposti nella seconda parte di cui uno di Economia Aziendale e uno di Lingua Inglese.

#### PRIMA PARTE

### Situazione operativa

Alfa spa, impresa industriale, realizza da anni prodotti "pet food" per animali domestici.

La concorrenza delle grandi multinazionali del settore costringe l'impresa a innovare continuamente i prodotti per soddisfare le esigenze del mercato in crescita per effetto dell'attenzione che i padroni rivolgono al benessere dei loro animali, come testimonia anche l'articolo *Trends driving the growth of the pet food market*.

In particolare, durante l'esercizio 2018, il management di Alfa spa ha iniziato la collaborazione con una équipe di veterinari per lo studio di prodotti rispondenti a specifiche soluzioni nutrizionali per gli animali.

I risultati di tali attività si sono concretizzati nel progetto per la realizzazione di prodotti "grain free" e "gluten free" per un target che predilige, per i propri animali, cibi privi di cereali e glutine.

L'attuazione di tale progetto richiede l'ampliamento e la diversificazione della produzione per cui si rendono necessari investimenti pari a 950.000,00 euro finanziati per il 40% con risorse interne e per la parte restante con finanziamento ottenuto dalla locale banca che ritiene fattibile il *business plan* presentato dall'impresa.

Il candidato, dopo aver analizzato la situazione operativa, tragga da questa gli elementi necessari per redigere: lo Stato patrimoniale, rielaborato secondo il criterio finanziario, e il Conto economico, riclassificato nella configurazione a "valore aggiunto", per un periodo di due anni, contenuti nel progetto imprenditoriale presentato alla banca.

### COMPREHENSION AND INTERPRETATION

Read the text and answer all the questions below.

### Trends driving the growth of the pet food market

Consumers are growing increasingly interested in health and wellness and they want the same for their pets. As a result, the pet food market is growing unexpectedly fast. The US pet food market is expected to reach more than \$30bn in 2022. The global pet food market was worth \$94bn in 2017, with a compound annual growth rate (CAGR) of 5% from 2010 to 2017.

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For many pet owners, their pets are part of the family. They refer to them as their 'children', or 'fur babies', making humanisation one of the key trends driving the pet food market and pet owners are now looking for the same quality meals to feed their pets as they want for themselves.

Labelling and marketing of pet food products have also become humanised, showing photos of mouth-watering steaks, pink salmon, and carrots and broccoli bursting in colour to appeal to gourmet owners. Taking the trend even further, some pet food producers add trendy or exotic ingredients to create food that appeal to consumers. Indeed, the growing demand for higher-quality premium food has increased retail sales dramatically over the past decade and annual household pet food spending among pet owners rose by 36% between 2007 and 2017.

Consumers are also taking more notice of their pet's allergies and intolerances. Data from a dog nutrition service, <u>tails.com</u>, have revealed a 75% increase in the demand for hypoallergenic food blends for dog food since 2016. Consumers expect the food for their pets to be made without artificial colours, flavours, preservatives, antibiotics, synthetic hormones or toxic pesticides. The Organic Pet Food Market Report has forecast that the global organic pet food market will grow at a CAGR of 9.08% during the period 2017-2021. To capitalise on the trend and tap into this growing market, brands are launching a wider and wider range of products.

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Adapted from: https://www.retail-insight-network.com/features/trends-driving-growth-pet-food-market/

Choose the answer which fits best according to the text. Circle one letter.

- 1) Which of the following reasons does the article offer to explain why the pet food market is growing?
  - a) People are beginning to think their pets are humans
  - b) People want their pets to eat the same food as they do
  - c) More and more people are keeping pets
  - d) People are becoming as concerned about their pet's well-being as they are about their own
- 2) According to the article,
  - a) there has been a similar increase in pet food products retail sales of all quality levels in the
  - b) sales of higher quality pet foods brands have contributed more to the increase than have sales of other quality brands.
  - c) more and more people are starting to keep pets and those that already have them are buying them better food
  - d) marketing strategies adopted for lower quality pet food brands are not proving successful
- 3) What are firms doing in order to get as much benefit as possible from the trend described in the article?
  - a) They are producing more organic pet food
  - b) They are widening their range of products
  - c) They are lowering pet food prices
  - d) They are using hypoallergenic blends in pet foods

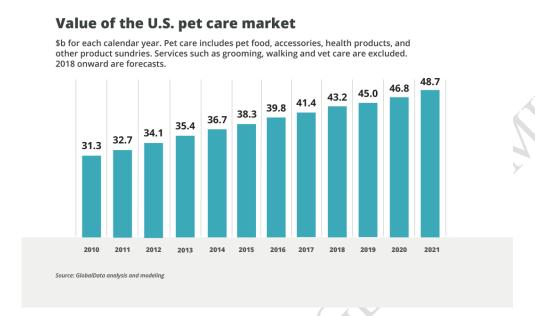




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4) Answer the question by referring to the bar chart.

The bar chart below shows the value of the U.S. pet care market. What data is used and what is not included, in the value of this pet care market? Suggest reasons for this choice of data.



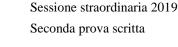
5) Answer the question. Use complete sentences and your own words.

Outline the diverse marketing strategies adopted by the higher premium quality pet food brands mentioned in the article and explain why these firms decided to adopt these strategies.

#### SECONDA PARTE

Il candidato scelga due dei seguenti quesiti (uno di Economia aziendale e uno di Lingua Inglese) e per Economia aziendale presenti, ove richiesto, le linee operative, le motivazioni delle soluzioni prospettate e la produzione dei relativi documenti.

- 1. L'interpretazione dell'andamento della gestione aziendale richiede, tra l'altro, l'analisi di bilancio per indici. Redigere il report contenente l'analisi economica elaborata sulla base dei dati tratti dai documenti presentati da Alfa spa alla banca utilizzando gli opportuni indicatori.
- 2. Beta spa, impresa industriale monoprodotto, realizza la produzione sfruttando parzialmente la capacità produttiva e sostenendo costi fissi totali pari a 4.750.000,00 euro. Il candidato calcoli e commenti il punto di equilibrio. Analizzi, inoltre, gli effetti che hanno sul punto di equilibrio investimenti su impianti che consentirebbero di migliorare la qualità del prodotto con un conseguente aumento del prezzo di vendita del 6%.
- 3. You work in the graphics section of the marketing department of an organic food production company that has decided to diversify and start producing high quality pet foods using only products that were originally destined for human consumption. There will be a brainstorming session next week about the images, the keywords and the slogans to be used in the advertising campaign that will accompany the launch of this new product line. You have been asked to bring at least 3 ideas to the session. Make the full notes you will need in order to introduce and explain your choices in the short speech you will be asked to make to the group.







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4. Imagine you are a pet. You are interested in your owner's concerns about healthy eating and fitness in general but are not always happy about how it is affecting you and can't get your owner to listen to you! Write an e-mail to your owner in which you complain about their choice of food for you and say what you want them to feed you on, and why.

Dati mancanti opportunamente scelti.

Durata massima della prova: 6 ore.