## Assessment Schedule - 2023

## Accounting: Interpret accounting information for entities that operate accounting subsystems (91177)

## Evidence

| Question ONE | Sample Evidence |
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| (a) | Mika should be pleased with the decision to sell second-hand inventory because Mika's Music World's sales have increased by $18.8 \%$ from 2022 to 2023, from $\$ 404000$ to $\$ 480000$. This means for every $\$ 1$ of sales made in 2022, \$1.19 was earned in 2023. <br> The introduction of the second-hand inventory helped lead to the increase in sales because (one of): <br> - It allowed customers to trade in old instruments and pay less for new purchases. This was a bigger incentive to shop with Mika's Music World as opposed to its competition, which increased the sales of new inventory. This helped increase sales by $18.8 \%$ from last year. <br> - It provided a new line of more affordable inventory for customers who couldn't afford the new stock. This increased the quantity of customers in the store and increased the number of sales which is supported by the increase in inventory turnover. The introduction of second-hand sales helped increase Mika's Music World's sales by $18.8 \%$ from last year. <br> The increase in sales, and a lot of inventory now having a cheaper cost price / more customers, has helped increase the profit from $\$ 28000$ in 2022 to \$39 300 in 2023. |
| (b) | Mika's Music World's inventory turnover in 2023 means that on average, Mika's Music World sold its average inventory seven times throughout the year / in under every two months. <br> Mika's Music World's mark-up \% has increased from $57.8 \%$ in 2022 to $62.2 \%$ in 2023, indicating a greater margin on each item sold. The introduction of the second-hand inventory has led to this increase because Mika's Music World has been able to put a bigger mark-up on the second-hand items because they were purchased more cheaply in the first place, decreasing the cost of goods sold for those items. This allowed Mika to increase the selling price by a greater percentage than last year, and still keep the price affordable as they are cheaper items and therefore customers will still buy them. They are still cheaper than the new inventory and therefore will have a greater quantity sold. <br> As a result of a more affordable range of inventory in the store due to the second-hand inventory, the inventory turnover increased. Also being able to trade in musical instruments has attracted new customers and has increased sales as customers who previously couldn't afford to buy a new instrument now can. Despite the mark-up \% being higher and having more inventory on hand (increasing on average from $\$ 40600$ to $\$ 45400$ ), the actual selling price that the customers pay is less on the second-hand goods / the new inventory is cheaper due to the trade-in, therefore attracting more customers, increasing sales, and increasing inventory turnover from six times per year to seven times per year. |

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| With minimal / no reference to context, provides ONE partial description. | With minimal / no reference to context, provides TWO descriptions. | With some reference to context describes TWO of: <br> - meaning of \% change in sales <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased sales <br> - meaning of inventory turnover <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased in mark-up \% <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased inventory turnover. | With some reference to context, describes THREE of: <br> - meaning of $\%$ change in sales <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased sales <br> - meaning of inventory turnover <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased in mark-up \% <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased inventory turnover. | With reference to context, explains TWO of: <br> - meaning of $\%$ change in sales <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased sales <br> - meaning of inventory turnover <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased in mark-up \% <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased inventory turnover. | With reference to context, explains THREE of: <br> - meaning of $\%$ change in sales <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased sales <br> - meaning of inventory turnover <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased in mark-up \% <br> - how the secondhand inventory increased inventory turnover. | Integrates the context of second-hand musical inventory to justify the impact on the percentage change in sales, the trend in mark-up \%, and the trend in inventory turnover, and the impact on profit. <br> Part of the justification may be weaker. | Integrates the context of second-hand musical inventory to justify the impact on the percentage change in sales, the trend in mark-up \%, the trend in inventory turnover, and the impact on profit. |

N0 = No response; no relevant evidence.

| Question <br> TWO | (a) Sample Evidence |
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| Mika's Music World's distribution cost percentage has increased from $25.2 \%$ in 2022 to $26.5 \%$ in 2023 . The reason for this increase is the $\$ 25000$ |  |
| increase in distribution costs from $\$ 102000$ in 2022 to $\$ 127000$ in 2023 . One of the reasons for the increase in the distribution cost percentage, |  |
| despite the large increase in sales, was (examples, must relate to the resource): |  |
| - The introduction of the photo promotion on social media. The monthly prize of $\$ 250$ totals $\$ 3000$, which introduces this new distribution cost |  |
| 'prizes' (allow other valid names or advertising) this year, which has contributed to the increase in the distribution costs, and the distribution cost |  |
| percentage. |  |
| - The introduction of the second-hand inventory and trade-ins meant that Mika had to employ more sales staff. This has resulted in an increase in |  |
| staff wages and therefore distribution costs and distribution cost percentage. |  |
| - An increase in advertising to promote the new second-hand inventory. This would have increased the advertising expense which would increase |  |
| the distribution costs and distribution cost percentage. |  |
| This increase in advertising / introduction of the competition prize / more staff has led to an increase in customers / customers being served more |  |
| and kept happy, which has increased sales - both new and second-hand - and therefore helped contribute to the increase in inventory turnover |  |
| from six times per year to seven times. |  |
| (Note: the cost of trade-ins would be purchases / cost of goods sold, however, allow for Achieved and Merit if explained as distribution cost). |  |

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| Question THREE | Sample Evidence |
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| (a) | Mika should be happy with her capital investment in Mika's Music World and analysis measures support this. <br> Mika's Music World's equity ratio in 2023 is $0.71: 1$. This tells Mika that she has personally financed / invested 71 cents for every $\$ 1$ of assets currently in her business. This supports Mika's Music World's ability to borrow from the bank as Mika has funded more than twice that the liabilities. The return on average owner's equity has increased from $44.6 \%$ in 2022 to $52.4 \%$ in 2023 , both being very high returns. The main reason for this increase in return on equity is the increase in profit from 2022 to 2023 from $\$ 28000$ to $\$ 39300$, a $40 \%$ increase. This is due to the increase in sales due to the introduction of the second-hand inventory / trade-in facility. |
| (b) | Either answer is acceptable. The answer should explain, with evidence, one reason using one appropriate analysis measure (e.g Equity ratio, Finance Cost \%, Return on Equity) and one other reason (can be financial, non-financial, a second analysis measure). <br> Mika should invest $\mathbf{\$ 1 5 0 0 0}$ savings and borrow \$25000 <br> Given that the current profitability is high and has increased, and the current return on equity ratio is so high at $52.4 \%$, Mika should definitely invest her $\$ 15000$ into Mika's Music World. The return on equity ratio of $52.4 \%$ means that the money invested by Mika is generating a $52.4 \%$ return on investment, or for every dollar invested, she is earning 52.4 cents back. Compared to the interest rate on term deposits at $4.2 \%$, this is a much more profitable investment for Mika than her current savings return. <br> In addition to this, if she invests $\$ 15000$, Mika's Music World only needs to borrow $\$ 25000$ instead of the full $\$ 40000$ which will make the equity ratio $0.62: 1$ which is a much stronger position than $0.53: 1$ if they borrow it all. This will allow room to borrow again in the near future if Mika's Music World needs to. By borrowing less, it also means that $\$ 1725$ less interest will be paid on the new loan ( $\$ 2875$ compared to $\$ 4600$ per year), which will help provide a higher profit than if it borrows the full amount, and further increase Mika's return. <br> Borrow \$40000 from the bank <br> If Mika's Music World borrows the entire $\$ 40000$, then the equity ratio will still be above $50 \%$ at $0.53: 1$, indicating that Mika will still have funded more than half the assets and Mika's Music World will still be financially stable. Despite the increase in interest payments, Mika's Music World can afford an increase in interest payments of $\$ 4600$ for the first year as it only paid $\$ 1700$ in 2023, and the profit is high at $\$ 39300$, an $\$ 11300$ increase from 2022. <br> Borrowing the full amount will mean that Mika can keep her \$15000 savings and use it if she needs it for something personal (e.g. go on holidays), or she won't need to take as many drawings next year, or if the expansion costs more than she expects it to she can use her savings then. She will be able to invest the money to increase the equity as needed in the future, and in the meantime take advantage of the cheap business-borrowing from banks. |


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| With minimal / no reference to context provides ONE partial description. | With minimal / no reference to context, provides ONE description. | With some reference to context describes TWO of: <br> - meaning of equity ratio <br> - reason for the trend in return on average equity <br> - makes a recommendation. | With some reference to context, describes TWO of, with one being a recommendation: <br> - meaning of equity ratio <br> - reason for the trend in return on average equity <br> - makes a recommendation and provides one reason. <br> One part may be weaker. | With reference to context, explains TWO of: <br> - meaning of equity ratio <br> - reason for the trend in return on average equity <br> - makes a recommendation and explains one analysis measure | With reference to context, explains ALL of: <br> - meaning of equity ratio <br> - reason for the trend in return on average equity <br> - makes a recommendation and explains one analysis measure. <br> One part may be weaker. | Integrates the context to justify the funding of the Auckland store expansion by using the equity ratio and return on equity percentage to support the recommendation. At least ONE reason, with AN ADDITIONAL calculation and comparison made. <br> Part of the justification may be weaker. | Integrates the context to justify the funding of the Auckland store expansion by using the equity ratio and return on equity percentage to support the recommendation. At least two reasons, with some new calculations and comparisons made. |

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Cut Scores

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