Business A Level Curriculum Map



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Topic: Marketing and People Key Learning: 1.1.1 The market 1.1.2 Market research 1.1.3 Market positioning 1.2.1 Demand 1.2.2 Supply 1.2.3 Markets 1.2.4 Price elasticity of demand 1.2.5 Income elasticity of demand 1.3.1 Product/service design 1.3.2 Branding and promotion 1.3.3 Pricing strategies 1.3.4 Distribution 1.3.5 Marketing strategy 1.4.1 Approaches to staffing 1.4.2 Recruitment, selection and training 1.4.3 Organisational design 1.4.4 Motivation in theory and practice 1.4.5 Leadership 1.5.1 Role of an entrepreneur 1.5.2 Entrepreneurial motives and characteristics 1.5.3 Business objectives 1.5.4 Forms of business 1.5.5 Business choices 1.5.6 Moving from entrepreneur to leader Assessment: Exam	Topic: Managing Business Activities Key Learning: 2.1.1 Internal finance 2.1.2 External finance 2.1.3 Liability 2.1.4 Planning 2.2.1 Sales forecasting 2.2.2 Sales, revenue and costs 2.2.3 Break-even 2.2.4 Budgets 2.3.1 Profit 2.3.2 Liquidity 2.3.3 Business failure 2.4.1 Production, productivity and efficiency 2.4.2 Capacity utilisation 2.4.3 Stock control 2.4.4 Quality management 2.5.1 Economic influences 2.5.2 Legislation 2.5.3 The competitive environment Assessment: Exam	Topic: Business Decisions and Strategy Key Learning: 3.1.1 Corporate objectives 3.1.2 Theories of corporate strategy 3.1.3 SWOT analysis 3.1.4 Impact of external influences 3.2.1 Growth 3.2.2 Mergers and takeovers 3.2.3 Organic growth 3.2.4 Reasons for staying small 3.3.1 Quantitative sales forecasting 3.3.2 Investment appraisal 3.3.3 Decision trees 3.3.4 Critical Path Analysis 3.4.1 Corporate influences 3.4.2 Corporate culture 3.4.3 Shareholders versus stakeholders 3.4.4 Business ethics 3.5.1 Interpretation of financial statements 3.5.2 Ratio analysis 3.5.3 Human resources 3.6.1 Causes and effects of change 3.6.2 Key factors in change 3.6.3 Scenario planning Assessment: Exam	Topic: Global Business Key Learning: 4.1.1 Growing economies 4.1.2 International trade and business growth 4.1.3 Factors contributing to increased globalisation 4.1.4 Protectionism 4.1.5 Trading blocs 4.2.1 Conditions that prompt trade 4.2.2 Assessment of a country as a market 4.2.3 Assessment of a country as a production location 4.2.4 Reasons for global mergers or joint ventures 4.2.5 Global competitiveness 4.3.1 Marketing 4.3.2 Niche markets 4.3.3 Cultural/social factors 4.4.1 The impact of MNCs 4.4.2 Ethics 4.4.3 Controlling MNCs Assessment: Exam