

Advice for teachers

- Answers to money questions should be correct to two decimal places.
- Learning correct terminology needs to be emphasised regularly.
- Rounding correctly needs to be practised.

Comments on specific sections and questions

Section One: Calculator-free

Attempted by 8863 candidates

Mean 25.00(/35)

Max 35.00

Min 0.00

Most candidates attempted all questions in this section and found it easier generally than Section Two. Basic arithmetic and algebraic skills were lacking, especially in Question 4. The section contained some fairly routine questions. However, questions that required explanations were done poorly.

Section Two: Calculator-assumed

Attempted by 8857 candidates

Mean 38.75(/65)

Max 64.35

Min 0.00

Most candidates attempted all questions in this section. Candidates found this more difficult than the first section. Some of the finance questions proved a little difficult for some, especially Question 16. Clearly, some candidates could not use the finance app on their calculators. The setting out for the maximum flow question was quite untidy. Rounding was also an issue for some candidates.