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Careers and Employability

General course

Externally set task sample two
Marking key

Total marks for this task: 43

Question 1

(9 marks)

- (a) Describe **one** possible mental health challenge that Axel may face as a result of this injury. (2 marks)

Description	Marks
Describes a possible mental health challenge that Axel may face as result of the injury	2
Identifies a possible mental health challenge	1
Total	2
Answers could include:	
Axel may experience depression, suffering frustration and despair, while coming to terms with the fact that he may not be able to continue his career as an AFL player.	
Accept other relevant answers.	

- (b) Explain how this unexpected event might impact on Axel's career planning. (3 marks)

Description	Marks
Explains how this unexpected event might impact on Axel's career planning	3
Describes how this unexpected event might impact career planning	2
Makes a general comment about an impact of this unexpected event	1
Total	3
Answers could include:	
This knee injury could potentially end his career, so Axel may need to reconsider his future career plans. During his rehabilitation he could explore alternative options within football, such as coaching and media roles and/or undertake retraining in a completely new field. While Axel may still continue his football career as an AFL player, adjusting his career plans for the 'worst case scenario' could benefit him in the future.	
Accept other relevant answers.	

- (c) Outline **two** advantages for Axel of undergoing re-training during his rehabilitation. (4 marks)

Description	Marks
For each advantage (2 x 2 marks)	
Outlines an advantage of Axel undergoing re-training during his rehabilitation	2
Identifies an advantage of undergoing re-training	1
Total	4
Answers could include:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • skill development – Axel will be able to acquire new skills by undergoing re-training • provides a focus – by engaging in re-training Axel is less likely to suffer a mental health challenge, such as depression • gives a sense of purpose – undergoing re-training provides Axel with the opportunity to explore alternative roles outside the AFL. 	
Accept other relevant answers.	

Question 2

(10 marks)

- (a) Explain how the following **two** strategies will assist Levi to manage his personal finances.
- tracking income and spending
 - budgeting.
- (6 marks)

Description	Marks
For each strategy (2 x 3 marks)	
Explains how the strategy will assist in managing personal finances	3
Describes how the strategy will assist in managing personal finances	2
Makes a general statement about the strategy	1
Total	6
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Tracking income and spending: involves recording all sources of income (cash in) and all expenses (cash out). By monitoring cash flow, it allows Levi to identify his spending habits and patterns. Reviewing his personal financial information will also assist him to discover areas where he can make savings and prevent overspending during this time of financial strain.</p> <p>Budgeting: budgeting involves planning how income (cash in) will initially be used to cover everyday expenses (cash out). Levi will need to prioritise essential expenses over the next two months and look for ways to cut back, if possible. Having a budget in place to manage personal finances should help Levi navigate this period of financial strain.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

- (b) Discuss why Levi should plan for the unexpected when managing his personal finances to avoid being caught out again.
- (4 marks)

Description	Marks
Discusses why Levi should plan for the unexpected when managing personal finances to avoid being caught out again	4
Explains why Levi should plan for the unexpected when managing personal finances to avoid being caught out again	3
Outlines planning for the unexpected when managing personal finances	2
Makes a general comment about planning for the unexpected	1
Total	4
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Planning for the unexpected involves Levi setting aside funds for unforeseen events. Having a financial plan for dealing with emergencies, such as a roommate suddenly moving out or unplanned medical bills, loss of employment etc can provide Levi with peace of mind knowing that he should still be able to cover regular expenses. Emergency funds will help Levi to build financial resilience and maintain control over personal finances. This should reduce stress and provide financial stability when dealing with an unexpected event.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

Question 3

(12 marks)

- (a) Based on Amelia’s research data, identify the occupation **least** likely to be a secure career path. State **one** reason for your choice. (2 marks)

Description	Marks
Identifies Aquaculture and fisheries technician	1
States a reason for choice	1
Total	2
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Occupation: Aquaculture and fisheries technician</p> <p>Reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> projected employment growth in the next five years is in decline the Agriculture, forestry and fishing industry has experienced negative growth over the last 20 years. <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

- (b) (i) Using the data from Amelia’s research, compare these two occupations from part (b) page 9 by providing **two** similarities and **two** differences. (4 marks)

Description	Marks
Identifies similarities (2 x 1 mark)	1–2
Identifies differences (2 x 1 mark)	1–2
Total	4
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Similarities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> both occupations have a skills shortage in WA both occupations have moderate to strong projected employment growth in the next five years. <p>Differences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a film or television director requires a bachelor’s degree or higher, whereas an electrician only requires a Certificate III or IV qualification there is a national skill shortage for electricians, but no shortage nationally for film or television directors. <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

- (ii) Keeping Amelia’s goal in mind, state which of these occupations is the **better** choice. (1 mark)

Description	Marks
Electrician	1
Total	1

- (c) Analyse Amelia’s research data to determine the occupation that is **most** likely to lead to a secure career path with long-term opportunities. (5 marks)

Description	Marks
Physiotherapist is the most likely occupation	1
Subtotal	1
Analyses the research data that supports the choice of occupation	4
Explains the research data that supports the choice of occupation	3
Outlines the research data that supports the choice of occupation	2
Identifies research data that supports the choice of occupation	1
Subtotal	4
Total	5
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Occupation: physiotherapist Amelia is seeking an occupation that will lead to a secure career path with long-term opportunities. She should consider industry data that shows positive growth over the past 20 years and very strong/strong projected employment growth in the next five years. The shortage status both nationally and in WA should also be taken into account.</p> <p>The research data that supports physiotherapist as the most likely choice to lead to a secure career path with long-term opportunities includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the health care and social assistance industry has experienced significant growth (135.1%) over the past 20 years • there is a shortage of physiotherapists both nationally and in WA • physiotherapists have very strong projected employment growth in the next five years. <p>As part of Amelia’s decision-making, she should also factor in that physiotherapists require a bachelor’s degree or higher, it is highly competitive to gain entry into the course and whether this is something she is able to achieve.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

Question 4

(12 marks)

(a) Outline the concept of a megatrend.

(2 marks)

Description	Marks
Outlines the concept of a megatrend	2
Makes a general comment about megatrends	1
Total	2
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>A megatrend is a significant and long-lasting development that has a transformative impact on the way we live, work and do business. Megatrends influence the restructure of industries, workplace environments and how people work.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

(b) Apart from impactful technology, describe **two** other megatrends. Include **one** example of each in your response.

(6 marks)

Description	Marks
For each megatrend (2 x 2 marks)	
Describes the megatrend	2
Identifies a megatrend	1
Subtotal	4
Provides an example (2 x 1 mark)	
Identifies a megatrend	1
Subtotal	2
Total	6
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Economic power shifts – highlights the long-term global shift away from established advanced economies to emerging market countries. They emphasise the economic inequalities between nations and the increased uncertainty in international engagements. For example, the growth of mega economies in the Asia region is driving the rise of newly affluent communities.</p> <p>Demographic shifts – highlights changes in the size and nature of a population due to migration and changes in birth and death rates. For example, the median age in all countries around the world is increasing, but at different rates and from a different starting position.</p> <p>Climate change – highlights the impact that climate change is having on all aspects of our lives. For example, it is predicted that global temperatures will continue to rise and are expected to reach 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels by 2030.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

- (c) Discuss the influence of impactful technology on the future of work. (4 marks)

Description	Marks
Discusses the influence of impactful technology on the future of work	4
Explains the influence of impactful technology on the future of work	3
Outlines the influence of impactful technology on the future of work	2
Makes a general comment about impactful technology	1
Total	4
<p>Answers could include:</p> <p>Impactful technology refers to the emergence of technologies that have the capacity to improve products, services and processes, but to also cause disruption and uncertainty for society and the economy. Advances in technology are increasing data accessibility, speeding up data processing and enhancing collaboration. This allows individuals and teams to achieve more, with less effort. However, a significant number of jobs are at risk of automation. This will be disruptive for many workers, requiring them to upskill to maintain employability.</p> <p>Accept other relevant answers.</p>	

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