

Question			Answer	Marks	AO	Guidance	
7	(a)		Identify AP with $a = 5000$ and $d = 1500$ $\frac{n}{2}(2(5000) + (n-1)1500)$ $= n(750n + 4250)$	M1 A1 [2]	3.1b 1.1	Identification recognised by an attempt at the sum formula or n th term formula for an AP Or $750n^2 + 4250n$	
7	(b)		$\frac{5000(1 - (0.9)^n)}{1 - 0.9}$ Obtain $50000(1 - (0.9)^n)$	M1 A1 A1 [3]	3.1b 3.1b 1.1	Identification recognised by an attempt at the sum formula with n , $n-1$ or $n+1$ or with a positive sign in numerator Obtain correct unsimplified sum Or $50000 - 50000(0.9)^n$	
7	(c)		Obtain $750n^2 + 4250n - 385000 = 0$ $n = 20 \text{ or } n = -\frac{77}{3}$ State 20 years	M1 A1 A1 [3]	3.1b 1.1 3.4	Equate to 385 000 and solve a 3 term quadratic $= 0$ BC both required Allow different methods for solving the quadratic	OR M1 For writing down and summing the total profit for at least the first four years (may be implied BC) A1 For finding that the total is equal to 385 000 for $n = 20$ A1 state 20 years
7	(d)		Business A's profits continue to grow Business B's profits eventually plateau at £50 000 as $(0.9)^n$ tends to 0 with large enough n	E1 E1 [2]	3.4 3.2a	Some mention is required about the effect of $(0.9)^n$	