

# **QUALIFI ASSESSMENT DOCUMENT**

Qualification	Qualifi Level 5 Diploma in Business Management
Qualification No (RQF)	601/6049/4
Unit Name	Effective Decision Making
Unit Reference	BUS 2.2
No of Credits	20 Credits

#### Introduction

Prior to attempting this coursework assignment, Learners must familiarise themselves with the following policies:

- Centre Specification
  - o Can be found at https://qualifi.net/qualifi-level-5-diploma-in-business-management/
- Qualifi Quality Assurance Standards
- Qualifi Quality Policy Statement

### **Plagiarism and Collusion**

In submitting the assignment Learner's must complete a statement of authenticity confirming that the work submitted for all tasks is their own. The statement should also include the word count.

Your accredited study centre will direct you to the appropriate software that checks the level of similarity. Qualifi recommends the use of <a href="https://www.turnitin.com">https://www.turnitin.com</a> as a part of the assessment.

Plagiarism and collusion are treated very seriously. Plagiarism involves presenting work, excerpts, ideas or passages of another author without appropriate referencing and attribution.

Collusion occurs when two or more learners submit work which is so alike in ideas, content, wording and/or structure that the similarity goes beyond what might have been mere coincidence

Please familiarise yourself on Qualifi's Malpractice and Maladministration policy, where you can find further information

## Referencing

A professional approach to work is expected from all learners. Learners must therefore identify and acknowledge ALL sources/methodologies/applications used.

The learner must use an appropriate referencing system to achieve this. Marks are not awarded for the use of English; however, the learner must express ideas clearly and ensure that appropriate terminology is used to convey accuracy in meaning.

Qualifi recommends using Harvard Style of Referencing throughout your work.

### **Appendices**

You may include appendices to support your work, however appendices must only contain additional supporting information, and must be clearly referenced in your assignment.

You may also include tables, graphs, diagrams, Gantt chart and flowcharts that support the main report should be incorporated into the back of the assignment report that is submitted.

Any published secondary information such as annual reports and company literature, should be referenced in the main text of the assignment, in accordance of Harvard Style Referencing, and referenced at the end of the assignment.

## **Confidentiality**

Where a Learner is using organisational information that deals with sensitive material or issues, they must seek the advice and permission from that organisation about its inclusion.

Where confidentiality is an issue, Learners are advised to anonymise their assignment report so that it cannot be attributed to that particular organisation.

### **Word Count Policy**

Learners must comply with the required word count, within a margin of +10%. These rules exclude the index, headings, tables, images, footnotes, appendices and information contained within references and bibliographies.

When an assessment task requires learners to produce presentation slides with supporting notes, the word count applies to the supporting notes only.

### **Submission of Assignments**

All work to be submitted on the due date as per Centre's advice.

All work must be submitted in a single electronic document (.doc file), or via Turnitin, where applicable.

This should go to the tutor and Centre Manager/Programme Director, plus one hard copy posted to the Centre Manager (if required)

## **Marking and grades**

Qualifi uses a standard marking rubric for all assignments, and you can find the details at the end of this document.

Unless stated elsewhere, Learners must answer all guestions in this document.

### **Assignment Question**

#### Scenario

Learners may use their own employment context to write an assignment based on assessment tasks. Assessment tasks are learning outcomes of the unit associated with Assessment Criteria. You are required to generate sufficient evidence on assessment criteria to meet learning outcomes of the unit within the rules, regulations and standards to achieve credits of the unit. If you are not in employment, please use the following scenario.

Consider you are working as a Business Development Manager of a small-medium sized organisation, which deals with its customers all over the world to sell its products and services. You are leading a team of ten individuals within your company who are interacting with customers individually or in a group in their day-to-day roles and responsibilities to achieve the sales target, develop business relationship and provide customer services. You are using your managerial and leadership abilities, skills and capabilities to influence, motivate, and enable individuals and groups in your organisation to contribute toward the effectiveness and success of the organisation goals. That includes planning and then sound decision making in any business situation and context, adoption of contingency plans in adverse situation, organising resources, leading and implementing strategies to achieve the organisational short- and long-term targets. You have been asked to write an assignment based on reviewing, exploring, researching, analysis and improvement of business decision making by meeting the following 3 tasks to demonstrate your managerial qualities and skills.

#### Task 1 - 600 words

Review relevant issues that are important to making business decision.

- **1.1:** Outline the relevant issues that are important to making business decisions, with particular reference to stakeholder needs and expectations.
- 1.2: Review the relevant information of the business issues where decisions are needed.

#### **Assessment Criteria**

- **1.1:** Review several different business issues where decisions are needed and analyse stakeholder needs and expectations for each case.
- 1.2: Research and review all relevant information and knowledge on the business issues where decisions are needed.

#### Task 2 - 800 words

Explore approaches to the decision-making process and how to improve approaches.

- **2.1:** Evaluate processes for obtaining relevant information on business issues and identify where any strengths or weaknesses in approach exists.
- **2.2:** Make decisions based upon information gained; provide justifications for these decisions and explain how the decisions should be disseminated.

#### **Assessment Criteria**

- **2.1:** Evaluate processes for obtaining relevant information on business issues for given organisations and identify where any strengths or weaknesses in approach exists.
- 2.2: Take decisions based upon information gained, provide justifications and say how the decision should be disseminated.
- **2.3:** Make recommendations for improvements to the decision-making process and make sure there is relevant participation in the process.

#### Task 3 - 600 words

Recommend approaches to improve decision making.

- **3.1:** Make recommendations for improvements to the decision-making process, ensuring there is relevant participation in the process.
- **3.2:** Plan for, communicate and oversee new approaches to decision making.

#### **Assessment Criteria**

- **3.1:** Plan for, communicate and oversee new approaches to decision making.
- **3.2:** Identify and develop measures to allow the effectiveness of the decision-making process to be evaluated.

	Distinguished	Excellent	Good	Proficient	Basic	Marginal	Unacceptable
Criteria	80+	70	60	50	40	30	0
Content (alignment with assessment criteria)	Extensive evaluation and synthesis of ideas; includes substantial original thinking	Comprehensive critical evaluation and synthesis of ideas; includes coherent original thinking	Adequate evaluation and synthesis of key ideas beyond basic descriptions; includes original thinking	Describes main ideas with evidence of evaluation; includes some original thinking	Describes some of the main ideas but omits some concepts; limited evidence of evaluation; confused original thinking	Largely incomplete description of main issues; misses key concepts; no original thinking	Inadequate information or containing information not relevant to the topic
Application of Theory and Literature	In-depth, detailed and relevant application of theory; expertly integrates literature to support ideas and concept	Clear and relevant application of theory; fully integrates literature to support ideas and concepts	Appropriate application of theory; integrates literature to support ideas and concepts	Adequate application of theory; uses literature to support ideas and concepts	Limited application of theory; refers to literature but may not use it consistently	Confused application of theory; does not use literature for support	Little or no evidence of application of theory and relevant literature
Knowledge and Understanding	Extensive depth of understanding and exploration beyond key principles and concepts	Comprehensive knowledge and depth of understanding key principles and concepts	Sound understanding of principles and concepts	Basic Knowledge and understanding of key concepts and principles	Limited and superficial knowledge and understanding of key concepts and principles	Confused or inadequate knowledge and understanding of key concepts and principles	Little or no evidence of knowledge or understanding of key concepts and principles
Presentation and Writing Skills	Logical, coherent and polished presentation exceeding expectations at this level; free from errors in mechanics and syntax	Logical, coherent presentation demonstrating mastery; free from errors in mechanics and syntax	Logical structure to presentation; makes few errors in mechanics and syntax which do not prohibit meaning	Orderly presentation; minor errors in mechanics and syntax	Somewhat weak presentation; errors in mechanics and syntax may interfere with meaning	Confused presentation; errors in mechanics and syntax often interfere with meaning	Illogical presentation lacking cohesion; contains significant errors that interfere with meaning
Referencing	Advanced use of in- text citation and references	Mastery of in-text citation and referencing	Appropriate use of in-text citation and referencing	Adequate use of in- text citation and referencing	Limited use of in- text citation and referencing	Inadequate use of citation and referencing	Little or no evidence of appropriate referencing or use of sources

Instructor's Comments			

### **Directions:**

- **1.** For each of the criteria listed in the first column, circle one box in the corresponding column to the right which best reflects the student's work on this particular assessment activity (e.g., project, presentation, essay).
- 2. Provide specific feedback to a student about each of the criteria scores he/she earned by writing comments and suggestions for improvement in the last row titled "Instructor's comments."
- **3.** To arrive at a mark, total the boxes and divide by 5 to arrive at final mark.

#### Example:

	Distinguished	Excellent	Good	Proficient	Basic	Marginal	Unacceptable
Range	80-100	70-79	60-69	50-59	40-49	35-39	0-34

Criteria	Score
Content	50
Application of Theory and Literature	40
Knowledge and Understanding	50
Presentation/Writing Skills	40
Referencing	40

**Total Score** 220/5 = **44**, **Basic** 



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