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Level 3 Constructing the Built Environment – Theory exam

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Thursday 21 June 2018
09:30 – 12:30

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• Please ensure that you staple additional answer sheets to the back of this answer booklet, clearly labelling them with your full name, enrolment number, centre number and qualification number in BLOCK CAPITALS.
• All candidates need to use a black/blue pen. Do not use a pencil or gel pen.
• If provided with source documents, these documents will not be returned to City & Guilds, and will be shredded. Do not write on the source documents.

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You should have the following for this examination
• a pen with blue or black ink

General instructions
This question paper is the property of City and Guilds of London and should be returned after the examination.
• This examination contains 25 questions. Answer all questions.
  • Answer the questions in the space provided.
  • The marks for each question are shown in brackets.
• Show all calculations.
1 Name **two** secondary building elements commonly found in domestic properties. (2 marks)

2 Describe what is meant by the term 'security' in terms of the performance requirement of buildings. (2 marks)

3 Name **two** components of a suspended ceiling. (2 marks)

4 Name the type of foundation that is a large concrete slab which covers all of the ground under a building. (1 mark)

5 State **two** disadvantages of traditional methods of construction. (2 marks)
6. Explain how Energy Performance Certificates (EPCs) are used to support improvements to the energy performance of domestic buildings in the UK. (6 marks)

7. Explain why ‘thin joint’ construction techniques may be specified for masonry walls. (5 marks)

8. a) What is the term for concrete that is moulded, formed and cured in a controlled environment, transported to site and lifted into place? (1 mark)

     

8. b) What is the term for concrete that is poured into formwork on site, where it sets and hardens? (1 mark)
9 Define the following terms as they apply to ground improvement techniques.
   a) Consolidation. (1 mark)

   b) Compaction. (1 mark)

10 Describe one advantage of a green roof. (2 marks)

11 a) Identify the type of floor shown in Figure 1. (1 mark)

   ![Figure 1](image)

   b) Identify one advantage of this type of floor compared to a timber floor. (1 mark)
12 Explain why laminated timber may be specified for a portal framed beam. (4 marks)

13 Explain one benefit of using a deep strip foundation for an industrial building in good ground. (2 marks)

14 Explain why a monitor roof might be preferred to a traditional flat roof for a wide-span building. (6 marks)
15 Name two groups of people, classified in a risk assessment, who could be placed at risk because of construction works. (2 marks)

16 Identify the term used to denote ‘an unplanned event or occurrence, resulting in injury or damage’. (1 mark)

17 Describe the purpose of an on-site health and safety induction. (3 marks)

18 Explain why an experienced and qualified construction worker, who has a CSCS card, still needs to obtain a ‘permit to work’ for particular tasks on site. (4 marks)
19. Explain why weather conditions should be taken into account when performing risk assessments for on-site tasks. (4 marks)

20. Define the term 'snagging list' as used in construction projects. (2 marks)

21. Describe one communication skill required by a site supervisor to efficiently perform their role. (2 marks)
22 a) Identify the document from which the extract in Figure 2 has been taken. (1 mark)

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Figure 2

b) Name the type of paper used to display the information in Figure 2. (1 mark)

c) Describe the purpose of the document in Figure 2. (2 marks)
23 Explain how site supervisors work with buyers to procure materials. (5 marks)

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24 Explain how a site supervisor can make a contribution to
a) the management of sub-contractors (3 marks)

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b) the training and skills development of directly employed on-site staff. (2 marks)

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A construction company has purchased a large plot of land that was previously used for agricultural purposes. The intention is to construct a housing estate with a range of properties from single-bed starter homes up to larger four-bed family homes, and a low-rise discount supermarket, on the site.

The local authority has indicated that it will only approve projects that serve the local community and are sustainable, environmentally friendly, use modern methods of construction, reduce or eliminate accidents during the construction process, and make satisfactory arrangements to ensure effective site supervision, supported by appropriate documentation.

a) Explain why the local authority is keen on locally-sourced materials and components. (3 marks)

b) Summarise the documents used to help reduce risk on the site during construction. (3 marks)
c) Discuss how the construction company will meet the requirements of the local authority. (12 marks)