

# Level 7 end-point assessment

Approach to overall grading

## Synoptic Case Study – Strategic Business Leader (SBL)

The SBL syllabus is examined using a 100% integrated case study. Apprentices will be marked on both their technical ability and their professional skills. To pass, apprentices must achieve a mark of 50%.

Apprentices are awarded a **mark out of 100**.

## Project Report

The project report consists of 4 separate questions, 2 on skills and 2 on behaviours as defined by the Level 7 Accountancy / Taxation Professional Standard. Each of the four questions will be marked out of 100, using a rubric. The rubric will be based around the structure specified in the Level 7 Accountancy / Taxation Professional Assessment Plan:

- Background and context to the scenario;
- A description of the apprentice's role,
- Responsibilities and actions within the scenario;
- An evaluation of the particular professional skills and behaviours used and developed in the context of the scenario; and
- A critical examination of the lessons the apprentice learned.

Apprentices need to score at least 50% (200 out of 400) to pass and the word count of the report must not exceed 4,000 words. It is not necessary to pass all 4 questions separately.

Apprentices submit a declaration form confirming that the project report is accurate, has been completed by the apprentice and is original work. Apprentices will not be expected to submit evidence as part of their submission, but the Independent Assessors reserve the right to request it as part of the marking process.

Apprentices are not awarded marks, but a 'pass' or 'fail'.

## Overall

Should the apprentice fail the case study they are required to resit/retake it. Should the apprentice fail the project report they are required to resit/retake it. If both the case study and the project report have been failed, both must be retaken. The number of times an apprentice is permitted to resit/retake the end-point assessment and the date at which they do so is determined by the employer. However, there is a 7-year time limit for on-programme and end point assessment examination passes at the final level of the ACCA Qualification.

