# Appendix A Answers to the Exercises 

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## Answers to the Exercises



## Chapter 2

## Exercise 2.1 (Pub P\&L)

Actual Budget Variance
(£)
(\%)
(£)
(\%)
(£)
(\%)

| Food and beverage |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sales | 12,000 | 100.0 | 12,500 | 100.0 | (500) | (4.0) |
| Cost of sales | $(3,800)$ | (31.7) | $(3,800)$ | (30.4) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Gross profit | 8,200 | 68.3 | 8,700 | 69.6 | (500) | (5.7) |
| Payroll | $(2,700)$ | (22.5) | $(2,700)$ | (21.6) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Benefits | (500) | (4.2) | (500) | (4.0) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Departmental expenses | $(1,600)$ | (13.3) | $(1,600)$ | (12.8) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Departmental profit | 3,400 | 28.3 | 3,900 | 31.2 | (500) | (12.8) |
| Accommodation |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Sales | 1,900 | 100.0 | 1,950 | 100.0 | (50) | (2.6) |
| Payroll | (400) | (21.1) | (400) | (20.5) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Benefits | (80) | (4.2) | (80) | (4.1) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Departmental expenses | (200) | (10.5) | (200) | (10.3) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Departmental profit | 1,220 | 64.2 | 1,270 | 65.1 | (50) | (3.9) |
| Administration |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Admin. expenses | 1,100 | 7.9 | 1,100 | 7.6 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Maintenance | 100 | 0.7 | 100 | 0.7 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Total | 1,200 | 8.6 | 1,200 | 8.3 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Fixed charges |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Rates | 500 | 3.6 | 500 | 3.5 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Depreciation | 1,400 | 10.1 | 1,400 | 9.7 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Total | 1,900 | 13.7 | 1,900 | 13.1 | 0 | 0.0 |
| Front page P\&L |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | (£) | (\%) | (£) | (\%) | (£) | (\%) |
| Sales - F\&B | 12,000 | 86.3 | 12,500 | 86.5 | (500) | (4.0) |
| Sales - accommodation | 1,900 | 13.7 | 1,950 | 13.5 | (50) | (2.6) |
| Total sales | 13,900 | 100.0 | 14,450 | 100.0 | (550) | (3.8) |
| Cost of sales | $(3,800)$ | (27.3) | $(3,800)$ | (26.3) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Gross profit | 10,100 | 72.7 | 10,650 | 73.7 | (550) | (5.2) |
| Departmental payroll | $(3,100)$ | (22.3) | $(3,100)$ | (21.5) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Departmental benefits | (580) | (4.2) | (580) | (4.0) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Departmental expenses | $(1,800)$ | (12.9) | $(1,800)$ | (12.5) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Departmental profit | 4,620 | 33.2 | 5,170 | 35.8 | (550) | (10.6) |
| Administration costs | $(1,200)$ | (8.6) | $(1,200)$ | (8.3) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Gross operating profit | 3,420 | 24.6 | 3,970 | 27.5 | (550) | (13.9) |
| Fixed charges | $(1,900)$ | (13.7) | $(1,900)$ | (13.1) | 0 | 0.0 |
| Net profit | 1,520 | 10.9 | 2,070 | 14.3 | (550) | (26.6) |

## Exercise 2.2

|  | Assets | Liabilities |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Point of sale system | $\checkmark$ |  |
| Mortgage |  | $\checkmark$ |
| Delivery van | $\sqrt{ }$ |  |
| Staff accommodation that is owned | $\checkmark$ |  |
| Stocks of frozen food | $\checkmark$ |  |
| Phone units used but not paid for |  | $\checkmark$ |
| Yearly rental on coffee machine, paid in advance | $\checkmark$ |  |
| Amount owing from a customer | $\checkmark$ |  |
| Overdraft |  | $\checkmark$ |
| Amount owing to a supplier |  | $\checkmark$ |

Did you get them right? Can you think of any more in your area?

## Exercise 2.3

## Assets

(£)
A
B
C
D 4,900 =
$2,800=$
$285=$
$52,000=$
$4,900=$

Capital
(£)

Liabilities

## $700+$

2,100
$+\quad 59$
$+\quad 20,600$
$+1,500$

## Exercise 2.4

$$
=\text { Net value (£) }
$$

| Fixed assets |  | 22,000 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Equipment |  |  |
| Current assets | 7,650 |  |
| Debtors | 1,150 |  |
| Stocks | $\underline{1,700}$ |  |
| Cash | 10,500 |  |
| Total current assets | $(4,300)$ | 6,200 |
| Less current liabilities | $(4,300)$ | 28,200 |
| Creditors |  | 1,200 |
| Total current liabilities |  | $\underline{27,000}$ |
| $=$ Working capital |  | 28,200 |

## Exercise 2.5

|  |  |
| :--- | ---: |
| Opening stock (as at the start of the period) | 490 |
| Plus purchases | 11,060 |
| $=$ | 11,550 |
| Minus cost of staff meals | $(920)$ |
| Minus closing stock | $(530)$ |
| $=$ Cost of sales | 10,100 |

## Exercise 2.6

|  | $(£)$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Rental (per year) | 10,400 |
| Charge per 4 weekly period is (divide by 13) | 800 |
| Eight periods amortised on the P\&L | 6,400 |
| Five periods remaining on the BS | 4,000 |

## Exercise 2.7

| Item | Cost | Depreciation <br> rate | Amount | Net <br> (at end year 1) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Equipment | $£ 6,800$ | $10 \%$ | $£ 680$ | $£ 6,120$ |
| Furniture | $£ 2,600$ | $20 \%$ | $£ 520$ | $£ 2.080$ |

## Exercise 2.8

Workings out

| Depreciation | $\underline{\text { Rate }}$ | $\underline{\text { Value (£) }}$ | Depreciation (£) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Equipment | $10 \%$ | 10,200 | 1,020 |
| Furniture | $15 \%$ | $\underline{3,900}$ | $\frac{585}{1,605}$ |
| Total |  | 14,100 | Net (£) |
| Prepayment | $\underline{\text { Value (£) }}$ | Prepay (£) | 696 |
| Rates | 870 | 174 | 240 |
| Marketing | 300 | 60 | 936 |
| Total |  | 234 | Net (£) |
|  |  |  | 1,737 |
| Accrual | $\underline{\text { Value (£) }}$ | $\underline{\text { Accrue }}$ | 8,925 |
| Utilities | 1,395 | 342 | 10,662 |
| Payroll | 8,835 | 90 | 432 |

Cost of sales calculation

|  | $(£)$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Opening stock | 738 |
| Plus purchases | 16,482 |
| Less staff meals | $(1,380)$ |
| Less closing stock | $(804)$ |
| Equals cost of sales (CoS) | 15,036 |

Profit \& Loss Report

|  | $(£)$ | $(\%)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Sales | 39,852 | 100.0 |
| Less cost of sales | $(15,036)$ | $(37.7)$ |
| Gross profit | 24,816 | 62.3 |
| Less payroll | $(8,925)$ | $(22.4)$ |
|  | 15,891 | 39.9 |


| Less other expenses |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Utilities | $(1,737)$ | (4.4) |  |
| Marketing | (240) | (0.6) |  |
| Repairs \& maintenance | $(1,275)$ | (3.2) |  |
| Staff meals | $(1,380)$ | (3.5) |  |
| Laundry | $(1,239)$ | (3.1) |  |
| Miscellaneous | $\overline{(3,528)}$ | (8.9) |  |
| Total | $(9,399)$ | (23.6) |  |
| Gross operating profit | 6,492 | 16.3 |  |
| Less fixed charges |  |  |  |
| Depreciation | $\underline{(1,605)}$ | (4.0) |  |
| Rates | (696) | (1.7) |  |
| Total | $(2,301)$ | (5.8) |  |
| Net profit | 4,191 | 10.5 |  |
| Balance Sheet |  |  |  |
| Fixed assets | Gross (£) | Depreciation (£) | Net (£) |
| Buildings | 18,000 |  | 18,000 |
| Equipment | 10,200 | $(1,020)$ | 9,180 |
| Furniture | 3,900 | (585) | 3,315 |
| China, glass \& silver | 1,500 |  | 1,500 |
| Total |  |  | 31,995 |
| Current assets |  |  |  |
| Cash | 3,000 |  |  |
| Floats | 60 |  |  |
| Stocks | 804 |  |  |
| Prepayments | 234 |  |  |
| Debtors | 1,560 |  |  |
| Total current assets | 5,658 |  |  |
| Current liabilities |  |  |  |
| Creditors | 2,520 |  |  |
| Accruals | 432 |  |  |
| Total current liabilities | 2,952 |  |  |
| Working capital |  |  | 2,706 |
| Net assets |  |  | 34,701 |
| Financed by |  |  |  |
| Capital |  |  | 33,510 |
| Plus net profit |  |  | 4,191 |
| Less drawings |  |  | $(3,000)$ |
| Total |  |  | 34,701 |

## Chapter 3

## Exercise 3.1

| Rooms sold |  | Occupancy (\%) |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Rack rate | 5 | 5.6 |
| Leisure | 10 | 11.1 |
| Business | 60 | 66.7 |
|  | 75 | 83.3 |
| Rooms revenue | Total | Average room rate (£) |
| Rack rate | $£ 550$ | 110.00 |
| Leisure | $£ 650$ | 65.00 |
| Business | $\underline{£ 6,000}$ | $\underline{100.00}$ |
| Total | $£ 7,200$ | 96.00 |

## Exercise 3.2

Profit \& Loss Report - Restaurant: 28-day period

|  | Budget |  | Actual |  | Variance |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Seats available per day | 50 |  | 50 |  |  |  |
| Seats per 28-day period | 1,400 |  | 1,400 |  | 0 | 0.0 |
| Covers sold | 1,120 |  | 952 |  | (168) | (15.0) |
| Sales | (£) | (\%) | (£) | (\%) | (£) | (\%) |
| Food | 20,100 | 75.0 | 17,600 | 80.4 | $(2,500)$ | (12.4) |
| Beverage | 6,700 | 25.0 | 4,300 | 19.6 | $(2,400)$ | (35.8) |
| Total | 26,800 | 100.0 | 21,900 | 100.0 | $(4,900)$ | (18.3) |
| Average spend/cover - food $£ p$ | 17.95 |  | 18.49 |  | 0.54 | 3.0 |
| Average spend/cover - beverage $£ p$ | 5.98 |  | 4.52 |  | (1.47) | (24.5) |
| Seat occupancy \% | 80.0 |  | 68.0 |  | (12.0) | (15.0) |

So - what does it mean? Here are a few comments:
Customers - Seat occupancy is down by $15 \%$ - this means that, with an average of 34 seats occupied a day, 16 aren't sold. Can you identify why this is? Are any particular days worse than others are?
Average spend for food is up on budget, but beverage is down - so you should add the two together. This gives an overall actual of $£ 23.01$ whereas the budget was $£ 23.93$ - down almost 4\%. Do you know why? Was the budget wrong (easy to say yes, with hindsight - but why did you set it as this)?
Together (occupancy and spend) means a shortfall of almost $£ 5,000$ on revenue $-18 \%$. Is there anything happening locally that would affect both of these factors? If you can identify why things have gone wrong then perhaps you can do something about it.

Exercise 3.3

|  |  | July | August | September |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Days in month |  | 23 | 22 | 22 |
|  |  | (£) | (£) | (£) |
| Sales | Deli-bar | 19,200 | 15,000 | 22,875 |
|  | Food hall | 39,750 | 33,750 | 59,250 |
|  | Total | 58,950 | 48,750 | 82,125 |
| Covers | Deli-bar | 5,200 | 4,200 | 5,900 |
|  | Food hall | 8,300 | 7,600 | 12,300 |
|  | Total | 13,500 | 11,800 | 18,200 |
| Covers per day | Deli-bar | 226 | 191 | 268 |
|  | Food hall | 361 | 345 | 559 |
|  | Total | 587 | 536 | 827 |
|  |  | (£p) | (£p) | (£p) |
| Average spends | Deli-bar | 3.69 | 3.57 | 3.88 |
|  | Food hall | 4.79 | 4.44 | 4.82 |
|  | Total | 4.37 | 4.13 | 4.51 |
|  |  | (£) | (£) | (£) |
| Sales per day | Deli-bar | 835 | 682 | 1,040 |
|  | Food hall | 1,728 | 1,534 | 2,693 |
|  | Total | 2,563 | 2,216 | 3,733 |

What can you work out from these numbers? What's the trend in customers and spends?

## Chapter 4

## Exercise 4.1: Restaurant

|  | Budget | Actual | Variance | Var \% |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Seats available | 50 | 50 |  |  |  |  |
| Seats per period | 1,400 |  | 1,400 |  | 0 | 0.0 |
| Covers sold | 1,120 |  | 952 |  | $(168)$ | $(15.0)$ |
|  | $(£)$ | $(\%)$ | $(£)$ | $(\%)$ | $(£)$ | $(\%)$ |
| Sales |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Food | 20,100 | 75.0 | 17,600 | 80.4 | $(2,500)$ | $(12.4)$ |
| Beverage | 6,700 | $\frac{25.0}{}$ | $\frac{4,300}{19.6}$ | $\frac{(2,400)}{}$ | $\frac{(35.8)}{}$ |  |
| Total | 26,800 | 100.0 | 21,900 | 100.0 | $(4,900)$ | $(18.3)$ |

Cost of sales

| Food | $(10,000)$ | $(49.8)$ | $(7,900)$ | $(44.9)$ | 2,100 | 21.0 |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Beverage | $(2,670)$ | $(39.9)$ | $(1,620)$ | $(37.7)$ | 1,050 | 39.3 |  |  |
| Total | $(12,670)$ | $(47.3)$ |  | $(9,520)$ | $(43.5)$ |  | 3,150 |  |

Gross profit
Food
Beverage
Total
Payroll cost
Departmental expenses
Food \& beverage profit

|  | $(£)$ | $(£)$ | $(£)$ | $(\%)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Average spend/cover - food | 17.95 | 18.49 | 0.54 | 3.0 |
| Average spend/cover - beverage | 5.98 | 4.52 | $(1.47)$ | $(24.5)$ |
| Total cost of sales/cover | 11.31 | 10.00 | $(1.31)$ | $(11.6)$ |
| Total gross profit/cover | 12.62 | 13.00 | 0.39 | 3.1 |
| Payroll cost per cover | 8.50 | 8.82 | 0.32 | $(3.8)$ |
| Expenses cost per cover | 1.88 | 1.68 | 0.19 | $(10.4)$ |
| Profit per cover | 2.24 | 2.50 | 0.26 | 11.6 |
| Seat occupancy \% | 80.0 | 68.0 | $(12.0)$ | $(15.0)$ |

What do all these figures mean? Look at these:
$\square$ Is there any relationship between the average spends for food and for beverage?
$\square$ What about the cost of food amounts? The average costs look less, but what about the percentage?
$\square$ Is payroll cost 'good' or 'bad' - and from whose perspective? Is there a relationship between payroll and cost of sales, for instance?
$\square$ What about other expenses?
$\square$ Lastly, what about profit?

## Exercise 4.2: Town centre department store

|  | March |  | April |  | May |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | (£) | (\%) | (£) | (\%) | (£) | (\%) |
| Sales |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cafe | 9,000 | 42.9 | 10,500 | 41.2 | 12,000 | 36.4 |
| Restaurant | 12,000 | 57.1 | 15,000 | 58.8 | 21,000 | 63.6 |
| Total | 21,000 | 100.0 | 25,500 | 100.0 | 33,000 | 100.0 |
| Cost of sales |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| Cafe | $(4,500)$ | 50.0 | $(5,670)$ | 54.0 | $(6,840)$ | 57.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Restaurant | $(4,800)$ | 40.0 | $(6,300)$ | 42.0 | $(9,030)$ | 43.0 |
| Total | $(9,300)$ | 44.3 | $(11,970)$ | 46.9 | $(15,870)$ | 48.1 |
| Gross profit |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cafe | 4,500 | 50.0 | 4,830 | 46.0 | 5,160 | 43.0 |
| Restaurant | 7,200 | 60.0 | 8,700 | 58.0 | 11,970 | 57.0 |
| Total | 11,700 | 55.7 | 13,530 | 53.1 | 17,130 | 51.9 |
| Wages | $(5,250)$ | 25.0 | $(5,860)$ | 23.0 | $(4,485)$ | 13.6 |
| Overtime | (450) | 2.1 | (530) | 2.1 | $(2,115)$ | 6.4 |
| Net profit | 6,000 | 28.6 | 7,140 | 28.0 | 10,530 | 31.9 |

Covers
Cafe

(£)

(£)

5,714
3,043
8,757

Average spends

| Cafe | 2.40 | 2.25 | 2.10 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Restaurant | 7.20 | 7.05 | 6.90 |
| Total | 3.88 | 3.75 | 3.77 |

Gross profit/cover

| Cafe | 1.20 | 1.03 | 0.90 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Restaurant | 4.32 | 4.09 | 3.93 |
| Total | 2.16 | 1.99 | 1.96 |
| Wages/cover | 0.97 | 0.86 | 0.51 |
| Overtime/cover | 0.08 | 0.08 | 0.24 |
| Net profit/cover | 1.11 | 1.05 | 1.20 |

By the way - the total average spend is the total revenue divided by total covers. It's not calculated by averaging the two spends as you can't 'average an average'. That's why it might look slightly odd.
Where do you start with your analysis? Look at the trends in sales - customers and spends - and compare month to month. There's a rise in covers as you move towards summer - what does this tell you about the location?
Look at the changes in both CoS and payroll \% (basic and OT). Could they be linked? What is happening here?
The most likely scenario is that a lack of staff ('HR issue') is resulting in more purchasing of ready-prepared foods (leading to higher CoS - 'F\&B issue'). As a result, you would also have to consider the morale and health of staff (are they overworked?) and the implications of this (are they giving the best service?) and so on. Again, you need to take a holistic approach here.

## Chapter 5

| Exercise 5.1 |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Coffees |  | 5,000 |
|  | Total <br> $(£)$ | Per cup <br> $(£)$ |
| Fixed costs | 5,000 | 1.00 |
| Profit required | 1,250 | 0.25 |
| Variable costs |  |  |
| Food |  | 0.25 |
| Labour |  | 0.20 |
| Paper |  | 0.07 |
| Add all these together to get a selling price |  | 1.77 |
| Add the VAT (multiply by 1.2$)$ | 2.12 |  |

You could check it works by multiplying it all out to see if you reach the profit that you require.

|  | $(£)$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Sales | 8,850 |
| Variable costs | $(2,600)$ |
| Contribution | 6,250 |
| Fixed costs | $(5,000)$ |
| Net profit | 1,250 |

Now you can see why good cups of coffee are so expensive!

## Exercise 5.2

If contribution is $45 \%$ then variable costs are $45 \%$ :
$\frac{\text { Variable cost } £}{\text { Variable cost } \%}=\frac{£ 32.45}{55 \%}=£ 59.00$ selling price $=£ 70.80$ inc VAT (say $£ 71$ ?)

## Exercise 5.3

| Rooms available | 27,740 | 365 days per year |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Rooms sold | 19,418 | 70\% occupancy |
|  | $(£)$ |  |
| Profit required | 980,000 | then add back tax |
| I Income before tax | $1,361,111$ | (check tax $£ 381,111$ 28\%) |
| Fixed costs | 600,000 |  |
| Administration costs | 435,000 |  |
| Departmental operating profit | $2,396,111$ |  |
|  |  |  |
| Less F\&B \& other dept profit | $(200,000)$ |  |
| = Rooms profit | $2,196,111$ |  |


| Rooms expenses | 394,185 | $£ 20.30$ cost times rooms sold |
| :--- | ---: | :--- |
| Rooms revenue required | $2,590,297$ |  |
|  | $(£ p)$ |  |
| Average room rate | 133.40 | revenue divided by rooms sold |
| Rate plus VAT | 160.08 | $@ 20 \%$ |

## Exercise 5.4

## Information and workings out

| Average spend | $£ 43.00$ | Return on investment | $15 \%$ |  |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Cost of sales | $32 \%$ |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Other variable costs | $15 \%$ | Furniture and equipment | $£ 4,500,000$ |  |
| Salaries | $£ 750,000$ | Depreciation (years) | 10 |  |
| Rent and rates | $£ 700,000$ | Depreciation per year | $£ 450,000$ |  |
| Insurance | $£ 80,000$ |  |  |  |
| Administration | $£ 120,000$ | days in year | 365 |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Fixed costs | $(£)$ | Contribution margin | $(£)$ | $(\%)$ |
| Salaries | 750,000 | Selling price | 43.00 | 100.0 |
| Rent and rates | 700,000 | Cost of sales | $(13.76)$ | $(32.0)$ |
| Insurance | 80,000 | Other variable costs | $(6.45)$ | $(15.0$ |
| Administration | 120,000 | $=$ total variable costs | $(20.21)$ | $(47.0)$ |
| Depreciation | 450,000 |  |  |  |
| Total fixed costs | $2,100,000$ | Contribution Margin | 22.79 | 53.0 |

## Answer

| Fixed costs | $\frac{£ 2,100,000}{£ 22.79}=92,146$ covers total or 252.5 per day |
| :--- | :--- |
| Contribution margin | $\frac{£ 4,500,000}{15 \%}=£ 675,000$ profit required (which $=15 \%$ of the $£ 4.5 \mathrm{~m}$ ) |
| Investment |  |
| Return required |  |

$\begin{aligned} & \text { Fixed costs + profit required } \\ & \text { Contribution margin }\end{aligned} \frac{£ 2,775,000}{£ 22.79}=121,764$ covers total or 333.6 per day
This assumes that it is open every day of the year. What if it were not? Then the average per day would be different. You could try it for, say, 350 days.

## Exercise 5.5

| First you need to find out the number of extra visitors |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Workings out |  |  |  |  |
| Extra visitors | June | July | August | Total |
| total days | 30 | 31 | 31 |  |
| Weekend days | 8 | 8 | 8 |  |
| Weekdays | 22 | 23 | 23 |  |
| Visitors - weekend (40 per day) | 320 | 320 | 320 |  |
| Visitors - weekday (25 per day) | 550 | 575 | 575 |  |
| Total extra visitors | 870 | 895 | 895 | 2,660 |

Then you need to find out the costs
Total existing visitors 6,500
Total variable costs for existing visitors ( $£ 4,000+£ 890+£ 1,750) \quad 6,640$
Cost per existing visitor 1.02
Extra variable costs per new visitor 3.25
Total variable cost per new visitor 4.27
Additional fixed cost (advertising) per new visitor 0.64
( $£ 1,700$ divided by 2,660 new visitors)
Total cost per new visitor 4.91

## Selling price

Profit $\%$ required $30 \%$, therefore Total cost $\%=70 \%$. Use grossing up technique to find selling price.

$$
\text { Selling price }=\frac{\text { Cost } £}{\text { Cost } \%}=\frac{£ 4.91}{70 \%}=£ 7.01
$$

## Break-even point

| Contribution per unit |  | (£) |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Selling price |  | 7.01 |
| Variable costs per new visitor |  | $(4.27)$ |
| Contribution per new visitor |  | 2.74 |
|  |  |  |
| BEP |  |  |
| Fixed costs (advertising) | $£ 1,700$ |  |
| Contribution/unit | $£ 2.74$ |  |

## Effect on profit for 3-month period

|  | Existing | New | Total |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Visitors | 19,500 | 2,660 | 22,160 |  |
|  | $(£)$ | $(£)$ | $(£)$ | $(\%)$ |
| Sales (Visitors $\times$ rate) | 107,250 | 18,660 | 125,910 | 100.0 |
| Variable costs | $(19,920)$ | $(11,362)$ | $(31,282)$ | 24.8 |
| Contribution | 87,330 | 7,298 | 94,628 | 75.2 |
| Fixed costs | $\underline{(55,000)}$ | $\frac{(1,700)}{}$ | $\frac{(56,700)}{32,330}$ | $\frac{45.0}{5,598}$ |
| Profit |  |  | 37,928 | 30.1 |

## Chapter 6

## Exercise 6.1

|  | Normal | Down $20 \%$ | Up 20\% |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Rooms sold | 10 | 8 | 12 |
| Average rate | $£ 80.00$ | $£ 80.00$ | $£ 80.00$ |
| Breakfast cost per room | $£ 5.00$ | $£ 5.00$ | $£ 5.00$ |
| Supplies cost per room | $£ 18.00$ | $£ 18.00$ | $£ 18.00$ |
| Fixed costs | $£ 210$ | $£ 210$ | $£ 210$ |
|  |  |  |  |
|  | $£$ | $£$ | $£$ |
| Sales | 800 | 640 | 960 |
| Food cost | $(50)$ | $(40)$ | $(60)$ |
| Staff \& supplies | $(180)$ | $(144)$ | $(216)$ |
| Fixed costs | $(210)$ | $(210)$ | $(210)$ |
| Profit | 360 | 246 | 474 |

## Exercise 6.2

|  | Occupancy <br> normal | Occupancy down <br> $20 \%$, costs up $5 \%$ | Occupancy up 20\%, <br> costs up $5 \%$ |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :---: |
|  | $£$ | $£$ | $£$ |
| Sales | 800 | 640 | 960 |
| Food cost | $(50)$ | $(42)$ | $(63)$ |
| Staff \& supplies | $(180)$ | $(151)$ | $(227)$ |
| Fixed costs | $\underline{(210)}$ | $\underline{(221)}$ | $\underline{(221)}$ |
| Profit | 360 |  | 450 |

So if occupancy is down by $20 \%$, and costs rise by $5 \%$, profits drop by $37 \%$ ( 360 less $226=134$, expressed as a percentage of 360 ).
It doesn't look much for such a small business but imagine if it were 50 times bigger.

## Exercise 6.3

|  | Original <br> percentage | Original <br> $(£)$ | Mailshot <br> $(£)$ | Equipment <br> $(£)$ |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Sales | 100.0 | 600,000 | 60,000 | 50,000 |
| F\&B costs | $(40.0)$ | $(240,000)$ | $(24,000)$ | $(20,000)$ |
| Gross profit | 60.0 | 360,000 | 36,000 | 30,000 |
| Less payroll (variable) | $(20.0)$ | $(120,000)$ | $(12,000)$ | $(10,000)$ |
| Less other variable costs | $(8.0)$ | $\underline{(48,000)}$ | $(4,800)$ | $\underline{(4,000)}$ |
| Contribution | 32.0 | 192,000 | 19,200 | 16,000 |
| Less fixed payroll | $(10.0)$ | $(60,000)$ |  |  |
| Less other fixed costs | $(20.0)$ | $(120,000)$ |  |  |
| Mailshot costs |  |  | $(1,000)$ |  |
| Equipment costs | $\underline{2.0}$ | $\underline{12,000}$ | $\underline{18,200}$ | $\underline{\underline{(20,000)}}$ |
| Profit | $\underline{(4,000)}$ |  |  |  |

(You could also work out revised percentages)

## Exercise 6.4

Workings out

| Forecast sales | $£ 420,000$ |
| :--- | ---: |
| Shortfall | $20 \%$ |
| So the forecast $=$ | $80 \%$ (of budget) |
| Therefore, budget sales are | $£ 525,000$ Using grossing up technique |


|  | Budget (\%) | Budget (£) | Forecast <br> (£) | Variance <br> (£) | Variance (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total sales | 100.0\% | 525,000 | 420,000 | $(105,000)$ | (20.0) |
| Less food \& beverage costs | 37.0\% | $(194,250)$ | $(155,400)$ | 38,850 | (20.0) |
| Less wages (variable) | 19.5\% | $(102,375)$ | $(81,900)$ | 20,475 | (20.0) |
| Less variable expenses | 4.5\% | $(23,625)$ | $(18,900)$ | 4,725 | (20.0) |
| = Contribution | 39.0\% | 204,750 | 163,800 | $(40,950)$ | (20.0) |
| Less salaries | 9.0\% | $(47,250)$ | $(47,250)$ | 0 | 0.0 |
| Less other fixed costs | 20.0\% | $(105,000)$ | $\underline{(105,000)}$ | 0 | 0.0 |
| $=$ Net Profit | 10.0\% | 52,500 | 11,550 | (40,950) | (78.0) |

The same variable cost percentages are applied to the new sales, meaning that the contribution \% is the same as budget ( $39.0 \%$ ). However, as the fixed costs don't change the result is a $78 \%$ drop in profits compared to the $20 \%$ drop in sales. If this were your situation you would have to see if you could do something about the sales, but also anything about the fixed costs.

## Chapter 8

## Exercise 8.1

| Ingredient F |  | (£) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Standard quantity $\times$ standard price | $255 \times £ 2.00=$ | 510.00 |  |
| Actual quantity $\times$ standard price | $265.2 \times £ 2.00=$ | 530.40 |  |
| Quantity variance |  | 20.40 | ADV |
| Actual quantity $\times$ actual price | $265.2 \times £ 1.90=$ | 503.88 |  |
| Price variance <br> (difference between ACTQ SP and AC |  | 26.52 | FAV |
| Total variance ingredient F |  | 6.12 | FAV |
| Ingredient O |  |  |  |
| Standard quantity $\times$ standard price | $127.5 \times £ 2.40=$ | 306.00 |  |
| Actual quantity $\times$ standard price | $178.5 \times £ 2.40=$ | 428.40 |  |
| Quantity variance |  | 122.40 | ADV |
| Actual quantity $\times$ actual price | $178.5 \times £ 2.60=$ | 464.10 |  |
| Price variance |  | 35.70 | ADV |
| Total variance ingredient O |  | 158.10 | ADV |
| Total variances for recipe ( $\mathrm{F}+\mathrm{O}$ ) |  | 151.98 | ADV |

Can you identify where the major problem has occurred?
It's the ingredient O and is in the actual quantity used - but the price is a problem too. The quantity of ingredient F increased a little but compensated by costing slightly less per kilogram.

## Exercise 8.2

| Catering assistants |  | (£) |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| budget hours $\times$ budget rate | $120 \times £ 7.00=$ | 840 |  |
| actual hours $\times$ budget rate | $110 \times £ 7.00=$ | 770 |  |
|  |  | 70 | FAV |
| actual hours $\times$ actual rate | $110 \times £ 7.10=$ | 781 |  |
|  |  | 11 | ADV |
| Total |  | 59 | FAV |
| General assistants |  |  |  |
| budget hours $\times$ budget rate | $160 \times £ 6.50=$ | 1,040 |  |
| actual hours $\times$ budget rate | $170 \times £ 6.50=$ | 1,105 |  |
|  |  | 65 | ADV |
| actual hours $\times$ actual rate | $170 \times £ 6.40=$ | 1,088 |  |
|  |  | 17 | FAV |
| Total |  | 48 | ADV |
| Total variance |  | 11 | FAV |

## Exercise 8.3

|  | Covers | Selling price (£) | Sales (£) |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Budget | 3,320 | 6.75 | $22,410.00$ |  |
| Actual | 3,170 | 6.80 | $\frac{21,556.00}{}$ |  |
| Variance | $(150)$ | 0.05 | 854.00 | ADV |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Volume (usage) | $(150)$ | 6.75 | $1,012.50$ | ADV |
| Price | 3,170 | 0.05 | $\frac{158.50}{\text { FAV }}$ |  |
| Total |  |  | 854.00 | ADV |

## Exercise 8.4

|  | Rooms | Selling price (£) | Sales $£$ |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Budget | 50 | 79.50 | $3,975.00$ |  |
| Actual | 55 | 77.50 | $\frac{4,262.50}{}$ |  |
| Variance | 5 | $(2.00)$ | 287.50 | FAV |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Volume (usage) | 5 | 79.50 | 397.50 | FAV |
| Price | 55 | $(2.00)$ | 110.00 | ADV |
| Total |  |  | 287.50 | FAV |

## Chapter 10

## Exercise 10.1

| Ordinary shares | Called Numb So th | share capital or ordinary shares minal price of each is |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0,000 \\ & 0,000 \\ & E 0.50 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Return on capital employed | d $=$ | Profit before interest and tax | = | £275,000 | $=$ | 65.8\% |
|  |  | Net assets |  | £418,000 |  |  |
| Gross profit | = | Gross profit | = | £465,000 | $=$ | 24.8\% |
|  |  | Sales (Turnover) |  | £1,875,000 |  |  |
| Profitability | = | Profit before interest and tax | = | £275,000 | = | 14.7\% |
|  |  | Sales |  | £1,875,000 |  |  |
| Gearing | $=$ | Debt | $=$ | £340,000 | $=$ | 81.3\% |
|  |  | Equity |  | £418,000 |  |  |
| Liquidity - Current ratio | = | Current assets | = | £685,000 | $=$ | 1.57 :1 |
|  |  | Current liabilities | = | £437,000 |  |  |
| Liquidity - Acid test | = | Debtors + cash |  | £310,000 |  | 0.71:1 |
|  |  | Current liabilities |  | £437,000 |  |  |


| Earnings per share | = | Profit after tax | = | £168,000 | = | £0.34 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | No. Issued ordinary shares | = | 500,000 |  |  |
| Dividend per share | = | Ordinary dividend paid | = | £100,000 | = | £0.20 |
|  |  | No. issued ordinary shares | = | 500,000 |  |  |
| Price earnings ratio | = | Market price per share | = | £1.50 | = | 4.46 :1 |
|  |  | Earnings per share | = | £0.34 |  |  |
| Debtor days | = | Debtors | = | £250,000 | = | 48.67 days |
|  |  | Average sales per day |  | £5,137 |  |  |

(If you had prior year figures you could also have compared these figures to those.)


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