

Chapter 10

Level I

E10.8 *Time allowed – 30 minutes*

Happycabs Ltd is a taxi business that specialises in contracts to provide cars dedicated to specific corporate customers. One of the Happycabs vehicles, which originally cost £26,400, has an estimated life of three years and is depreciated at the rate of £8,800 a year.

A contract has now been proposed, which would require the use of the vehicle for five months.

The current net realisable value of the vehicle is £18,000. If the vehicle is used for this contract its value is expected to fall to £16,800. The net book value of the vehicle is £18,480.

Routine maintenance of the vehicle currently costs £70 a month. For this contract, these costs including fuel and driver costs would increase to £1,800 a month.

- (i) What are the relevant costs of using the vehicle for this contract?**
- (ii) How much should the customer be charged per month on the basis of making a profit of 15% on the contract price?**

Level II

E10.9 *Time allowed – 60 minutes*

Yves-Andre Ltd manufactures fashion garments for which costs in the forthcoming year are expected to be as follows:

	D1	D2	D3	D4
Production (units)	100	200	400	300
	£	£	£	£
Unit marginal costs				
Direct materials	51	65	26	53
Direct labour	103	116	51	80
Variable production overheads	<u>26</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>27</u>
	<u>180</u>	<u>220</u>	<u>90</u>	<u>160</u>

Fixed costs incurred specifically as a result of making each garment are:

	D1	D2	D3	D4	Total
£	3,000	6,000	8,000	9,000	68,000

An overseas garment manufacturer has offered to supply Yves-Andre the same garments for the following prices:

	D1	D2	D3	D4
£	160	270	130	180

(i) Should Yves-Andre Ltd manufacture the garments itself, or purchase from the overseas supplier?

(ii) What other factors should Yves-Andre Ltd consider in addition to cost comparisons?