



PAN AFRICA CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS, LEADERSHIP AND TECHNOLOGY

**END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF
COMMERCE**

JANUARY-APRIL 2025 TRIMESTER

CAMPUS: ROYSAMBU

DEPARTMENT: BUSINESS

COURSE CODE: CFN303

COURSE TITLE: FINANCIAL STATEMENT ANALYSIS

EXAM DATE: FRIDAY 4TH APRIL 2025

DURATION: 3 HOURS

TIME: 8:00AM-11:00AM

INSTRUCTIONS

- Read the instructions and questions carefully before you write the answers.
- All candidates must have their cameras on during the entire examination session failure to which their attempt shall be cancelled.
- **Answer question ONE and any other THREE questions**
- *ALL PAC University's examination rules and regulations apply*

QUESTION ONE: COMPULSORY

- (a) Explain the meaning of financial statement analysis and interpretation. (2 marks)
- (b) Discuss the contents of the TWO main financial statements. (2 marks)
- (c) Describe the following techniques of financial statement analysis;
 - (i) Cross-sectional analysis. (2 marks)
 - (ii) Time series analysis. (2 marks)
- (d) For studying current financial position or liquidity position of a concern, one should examine the working capital in both the years. Required; explain what is meant by working capital. (2 marks)

QUESTION TWO:

- (a) Explain the meaning of a cash flow statement. (2 marks)
- (b) Discuss the contents of the FOUR sections of a cash flow statement. (8 marks)

QUESTION THREE:

- (a) Discuss TWO areas showing the Importance of financial statements and reports to investors. (4 marks)
- (b) Explain SIX purposes for undertaking financial statement analysis and interpretation. (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR:

- (a) Explain the meaning of income statement. (2 marks)
- (b) Discuss any FOUR tools used in analyzing financial statements. (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE:

Ratio analysis is one of most commonly used financial statement analysis tool;

Describe one ratio in each of the following classifications.

- (a) Profitability ratios. (2 marks)
- (b) Liquidity ratios. (2 marks)
- (c) Debt management ratios. (2 marks)
- (d) Asset management ratios. (2 marks)
- (e) Market value ratios. (2 marks)

QUESTION SIX:

Using the Comparative Income Statement for Mapesa General Agencies shown below, give an analysis and interpretation touching on;

- (a) Sales. (2 marks)
- (b) Cost of sales. (2 marks)
- (c) Gross Profit. (2 marks)
- (d) Operating expenses. (2 marks)
- (e) Net profit after tax. (2 marks)

Mapesa General Agencies Ltd

Comparative income statement for the year ended 31st Dec 2022 and 2023

	2022	2023	Increase (+) Decrease (–) (Ksh)	Increase (+) Decrease (–) (Percentage)
Details	Amount (Ksh)	Amount (Ksh)		
Net sales	785,000	900,000	+115000	+14.65
Less cost of goods sold	450,000	500,000	+50000	+11.11
Gross profit	335,000	400,000	+65000	+19.40
Operating expenses :				
General & Administrative	70,000	72,000	+2000	+2.8
Selling expenses	80,000	90,000	+10000	+12.5
Total operating expenses	150,000	162,000	+12000	+8.0
Operating profit	185,000	238,000	+53000	+28.65
Less : other deductions				
Interest received	25,000	30,000	+5000	+20
Net profit before tax	160,000	208,000	+48000	+30.0
Less income tax	70,000	80,000	+10000	+14.28
Net profit after tax	90,000	128,000	+38000	+42.22