# **NCEA Marketing**

How to answer for Achieved, Merit, Excellence

10 Business Studies



# NCEA questions & answers

Achieved: Describe, identify, state, define concepts, examples

Merit: . . plus Explain

- give **reasons** why,
- use 'because',
- apply MHO theory / concepts to product

Excellence: . . plus Fully explain

- advantages & disadvantages
- consequences (so what?)
- integrate / link other business knowledge



## **Achieved** (facts)

Describe, identify, state or define **facts** in context. (relevant business knowledge (MHO), examples, Māori concepts)

Facts stated / described

#### **Example:**

Toblerone chocolate is wrapped in foil and comes in a triangular shaped box. The brand name is in big bold red lettering. There are also pictures of the Swiss alps or mountains on the sides of the box. Included in its labelling are the ingredients and weight of the product.



## Merit (why?)

Explain 'why' in context.

(relevant business knowledge (MHO), examples, Māori concepts)

**Explains why** 

### **Example:**

This ensures the chocolate is not damaged and stays fresh for consumers in transport to retailers. It's triangle shape is easy to stack in boxes for global distribution. The shape represents the alps in Switzerland, known for high quality chocolate. Toblerone is signalling its own high quality. The shape is easily recognised and distinguishes it from other chocolate bars on retail shelves. The bold brand lettering also distinguishes it from competition.



## Excellence (so what? links)

Consequences / links

Fully explain links between knowledge, examples, concepts (impacts, effects or consequences on the business)

### **Example:**

These packaging features help global product distribution and keep it fresh. A stale product would worsen sales and brand image and consumer loyalty. The features that make it stand out can give the brand a competitive advantage as consumers can easily recognise the product on the shelf. Effects explained A drawback for the business of unusual packaging is higher production costs, which could make the product less profitable.