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GCSE Exam Questions: Best Buys

- 1) Washing powder is sold in 3 different sizes of container.

A 3kg container costs £5.40

A 5kg container costs £8

A 7kg container costs £13.30

Which size of container is the best value for money?

You must show how you got your answer.

(3 marks)

- 2) Sarah is buying shampoo. She needs to choose between two brands and wants to buy the shampoo that is better value for money.

Silky Smooth

400ml

£3.60

Crisp and Clean

300ml

£3

- (a) Which shampoo is better value for money?

(2)

- (b) Silky Smooth is available in the USA for \$4.50 per bottle.

Given that £1 = \$1.35, in which country is Silky Smooth better value for money?

(2)
(4 marks)

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- 3) A multipack of crisps usually contains 12 packets of crisps and is sold for £3.
The crisp manufacturers consider two different offers:

Offer 1: 50% extra free	Offer 2: Buy one multipack, get the second half price
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Which of these offers is better value? Show how you decide.

(5 marks)

GCSE Exam Questions: Best Buys Answers

	Question	Answer	Marks						
1)	<p>Washing powder is sold in 3 different sizes of container.</p> <p>A 3kg container costs £5.40 A 5kg container costs £8 A 7kg container costs £13.30</p> <p>Which size of container is the best value for money?</p> <p>You must show how you got your answer.</p>	<p>3kg container: 1kg = £1.80 5kg container: 1kg = £1.60 7kg container: 1kg = £1.90</p> <p>Calculates the value of two containers with a comparable unit.</p> <p>Calculates the value of all three containers with comparable units.</p> <p>5kg container is better value for money.</p>	<p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p>						
2) (a)	<p>Sarah is buying shampoo. She needs to choose between two brands and wants to buy the shampoo that is better value for money.</p> <table><tr><td>Silky Smooth</td><td>Crisp and Clean</td></tr><tr><td>400ml</td><td>300ml</td></tr><tr><td>£3.60</td><td>£3</td></tr></table> <p>Which shampoo is better value for money?</p>	Silky Smooth	Crisp and Clean	400ml	300ml	£3.60	£3	<p>Silky smooth: 100ml = £0.90</p> <p>Crisp and clean: 100ml = £1</p> <p>Silky Smooth better value</p>	<p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p>
Silky Smooth	Crisp and Clean								
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(b)	<p>Silky Smooth is available in the USA for \$4.50 per bottle. Given that £1 = \$1.35, in which country is Silky Smooth better value for money?</p>	<p>£3.60 v 1.35 = \$4.86</p> <p>or 4.50 ÷ 1.35 = £3.33</p> <p>Better value in the USA</p>	<p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p>						
3)	<p>A multipack of crisps usually contains 12 packets of crisps and is sold for £3.</p> <p>The crisp manufacturers consider two different offers:</p> <table><tr><td>Offer 1: 50% extra free</td><td>Offer 2: Buy one multipack, get the second half price</td></tr></table> <p>Which of these offers is better value? Show how you decide.</p>	Offer 1: 50% extra free	Offer 2: Buy one multipack, get the second half price	<p>Offer 1: 18 packs for £3 1 pack = 16.67p</p> <p>Offer 2: 24 packs for £4.50 1 pack = 18.75p</p> <p>Offer 1 is better</p>	<p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p> <p>(1)</p>				
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