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Learning Outcome Assessment Criteria Indicative Content



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1	Understand the UK tax system as relevant to the needs and circumstances	1.1	Explain the main features of Income Tax.	1.1.1	Income Tax – sources of income, liability, allowances, reliefs, employee benefits, priorities for taxing income, income of trusts and beneficiaries, trustees and settlors.
15 Standard	of individuals and trusts.	1.2	Explain the main features of National Insurance Contributions (NICs).	1.2.1	NICs – liability for employers, employees, self-employed contribution levels, voluntary NICs.
Questions		1.3	Explain the main features of Capital Gains Tax (CGT).	1.3.1	CGT – liability, rate, disposals, gains and losses, reliefs and exemptions, capital gains of trusts.
		1.4	Explain the main features of Inheritance Tax (IHT).	1.4.1	IHT – liability, transfers, nil rate bands, rates, reliefs and exemptions including gifts to charities and political parties, assets held in trusts, transfers to and from trusts.
		1.5	Explain the implications of residence and domicile on UK tax liability.	1.5.1	Residence and domicile – Statutory Residence Test (SRT), UK ties, impact on liability to Income Tax, CGT and IHT.
		1.6	Explain the main features of UK tax compliance.	1.6.1	UK tax compliance – self assessment, Pay As You Earn (PAYE), tax returns, tax payments, tax evasion and avoidance issues.
		1.7	Explain Stamp Duty Reserve Tax and Stamp Duty Land Tax.	1.7.1	Stamp Duty, Stamp Duty Reserve Tax and Stamp Duty Land Tax – transactions subject to tax, rates of tax, main reliefs.
		1.8	Describe the rules and impact of Value Added Tax (VAT) and Corporation Tax.	1.8.1	Outline of VAT and Corporation Tax.

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2	Analyse the taxation of	2.1	Analyse the taxation of direct	2.1.1	Direct investments – cash and cash equivalents, gilts, corporate	
	investments as relevant to		investments.		bonds, equities and property.	
8	the needs and		Analyse the taxation of indirect	Indirect i	ndirect investments:	
Standard	circumstances of		investments.	2.2.1	Pension arrangements.	
Questions	individuals and trusts.			2.2.2	Individual Savings Accounts (ISAs) and other types of savings	
					account to which contributions can be made.	
7				2.2.3	Onshore and offshore collectives and investment companies.	
Multiple				2.2.4	Onshore and offshore life assurance policies, qualifying and non-	
Response					qualifying, including effect of adviser fees on tax-deferred	
					withdrawals.	
				2.2.5	Real Estate Investment Trusts (REITs).	
				2.2.6	Venture Capital Trusts (VCTs) and Enterprise Investment Schemes	
					(EISs) and Seed Enterprise Investment Schemes (SEISs) – basic	
					outline.	
				2.2.7	Social enterprises eligible for Social Investment Tax Relief (SITR).	
				2.2.8	Structured products (in outline).	
3	Analyse the role and	3.1	Analyse the impact of taxes on	3.1.1	The impact of taxes on individuals, trusts and their investments.	
	relevance of tax in the		individuals, trusts and their			
	financial affairs of		investments in different situations.			
6	individuals and trusts.	3.2	Analyse the ways in which key	3.2.1	Key principles of Income Tax and Capital Gains Tax planning –	
Analytical			elements of tax planning provide tax		spouses, civil partners, children, pension contributions, ISA	
Questions			efficiency to individuals and trusts.		allowances, use of the main CGT exemptions and reliefs.	
				3.2.2	Main uses of lifetime gifts, business relief, wills and trusts in basic	
4					IHT mitigation and use of joint tenancies, tenancies in common	
Multiple					and deeds of variation.	
Response				3.2.3	Taxation consequences when direct and indirect investments are	
					gifted or sold to family members or third parties including gifts to	
					charities.	

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4	Apply the knowledge of	4.1	Calculate basic elements of Income	4.1.1	Carry out computations on the most common elements of
	personal taxation to the		Tax, NICs, CGT, and IHT, including the		Income Tax and NICs; CGT; IHT including the impact of lifetime
	provision of investment		impact of lifetime transfers and		transfers and transfers at death.
	advice.		transfers at death.		
10		4.2	Recommend elementary tax plans in	4.2.1	Make elementary tax planning recommendations in the context
Standard			the context of investments and		of investment advice.
Questions			pensions advice.		