

BCS Higher Education Qualification

Professional Graduate Diploma

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EXAMINERS' REPORT

Management Information Systems

Questions Report:

A1	<p>Most were answered with respect to a piece of software.</p> <p>There was a lack of depth with the answers. Few candidates took up the suggestion of diagrams to enhance their answers and most answers were short and to the point. With reasonable justification, lots of software could complete these tasks. Workflow/ dataflow diagrams would have been helpful and resulted in higher marks.</p>
A2	<p>Some answers did not refer to the self-served element and concentrated on the BI.</p> <p>With part b) the final few words to BI Systems that are not self-service were not referenced and the answers focused on the self-served parts.</p> <p>Part c) was well answered.</p>
A3	<p>A few candidates had issues with ad-hoc reporting.</p> <p>Most candidates understood parts ii), iii) and iv).</p> <p>ERP is misunderstood in places and seems to be a definition for all software a business uses rather than a purpose-built integrated suite. OLAP vs ERP was answered OK.</p>
B4	<p>Due to the answers given, candidates may have been put off by the governed by UK legislation – only one of two mentioned GDPR.</p>
B5	<p>A mix of answers, covering a range of design consideration.</p> <p>One issue is that part a) was repeated in Part b). Part b) became a “presentation” of the contents in Part a), and this limited the marks for Part b).</p>