

Tutor2u Advice on Exam Technique

Please see below some specific guidance on the different types of questions you will face in the mock. Please note that additional guidance on 25 mark questions has been issued and will be reissued again in due course.

4 mark
data
explanation
question
6 minutes

- Include at least **two** pieces of evidence - you must **quote** the data accurately, and you may need to complete a **calculation** to provide more evidence
- **Define** the key economic concept in the question
- Include an **analytical chain that is at least 3 steps in length** which links the evidence to the key concept

9 mark
diagram and
analysis
question
12 minutes

- **ACE diagram** - accurate, comprehensive, equilibria labelled
- Use as many **economic key terms** as possible
- Quote all the **relevant data** from the case study
- Develop an **analytical chain that refers explicitly to the diagram** - aim for **5 steps** in the chain
- Try to identify and analyse 2 points

Step 3 – the data response 25m question – 30 minutes

Introduction

- Briefly introduce the 3 or 4 points that you will make in your essay
- Write one sentence that briefly summarises your conclusion - use the **specific words from the question** in your sentence to ensure that you are totally focused!

PECAN PIE and
APE paragraph
for each point!

- Make your **Point**, briefly **Explain** it, then give **Contextualised ANalysis** - this means writing an analytical chain (with diagram if possible) and using evidence from the case study
- State that your **Point** may not hold, because **In Evaluation**, the **Assumptions** underlying your analysis may not hold, there are different **Perspectives**, and there may be **Evidence** that negates or supports your view
- The final sentence must **LINK BACK** to the question - use the specific words from the question

Conclusion

- **DO NOT** introduce anything new
- You **MUST** reach a **judgement** based on the 3 or 4 points that you have made