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Paper 3 Analysis and Critical Evaluation

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1 hour 30 minutes

Candidates answer on the Question Paper.

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The extract '**Poverty**' will be needed for this question.

1 (a) (i) State **two** reasons why some workers are paid more than others.

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(ii) What do the gender gap figures for Japan and Costa Rica indicate?

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(b) Explain **two** costs of poverty indicated in the extract.

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(c) (i) Using Table 1, analyse the relationship between the MPI measure and the income measure.

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(ii) Identify **two** possible reasons why Uzbekistan has low poverty on the MPI measure.

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(d) Discuss whether increasing government spending will always reduce poverty.

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The extract '**Market changes**' will be needed for this question.

2 (a) Identify **two** variable costs for hotel owners mentioned in the extract.

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(b) What does the price elasticity of demand of (–) 1.5 for hotel accommodation mean?

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(c) Explain **two** reasons for the increase in the demand for tickets on Emirates Airline.

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(d) What evidence is there in the extract that the airline industry is **not** operating under conditions of perfect competition?

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(e) Discuss whether the merger between United Airlines and Continental Airlines would benefit air passengers.

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