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AWARENESS

Module C – Corporation Tax



1. Hoally Ltd was incorporated on 28 August 2016. On 15 September 2016 an interest-bearing bank account was opened with a deposit of £10,000. The company began trading on 1 November 2016 and prepared its first accounts to 31 December 2017.

State, with reasons, the start and end dates of Hoally Ltd's first two accounting periods.

	<p>1st AP: 15 September 2016 to 1 November 2016</p>	
	<p>An accounting period begins when the company comes within charge to corporation tax, i.e. opens an interest-bearing bank account and it ends when the company starts to trade.</p>	
	<p>2nd AP: 1 November 2016 to 31 October 2016¹⁷</p>	
	<p>An accounting period begins immediately after the end of the previous AP and it ends 12 months from the beginning of the accounting period. An AP cannot be any longer than 12 months.</p>	

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2. At 1 January 2017, Prooly Ltd had a tax written down value for capital allowances purposes on its main pool of £182,000.

The company incurred the following capital expenditure in its 15-month period of account ended 31 March 2018:

		£
1 February 2017	New office equipment	225,000
1 March 2018	New car with CO ₂ emissions of 62g/km	18,000

Calculate the maximum capital allowances that Prooly Ltd can claim for the period ended 31 March 2018.

<u>Y/e 31-Dec-17</u>			
	AIA	General	CAs
	@100%	Pool	Claim
	£	£	£
Tax WDV b/fwd		182,000	
Additions:			
Office equip	<u>200,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	
	200,000	207,000	
AIA @ 100%	(200,000)		200,000
WDA @ 18%		<u>(37,260)</u>	37,260
Tax WDV c/f	nil	169,740	
CA claim Cor y/e 31.12.17			<u>237,260</u>

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3Mle 31-Mar-18

FYA	General	CA
@100%	Pod	Claim
£	£	£

Tax w/dv b/f 169,740

Additions:

Car (CO₂ < 75g/km) 18,000

18,000 169,740

FYA @100% (18,000) 18,000

wDA @ 18%^{3/12} (7,638) 7,638

Tax w/dv c/f nil 162,102

CA claim for ple 31.3.18 25,638

Total CA claim: £262,898

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4. On 1 August 2017, Billoo Ltd purchased an investment property for £850,000, financed in part by a bank loan of £500,000 on which interest is payable at 4% per annum.

On 1 September 2017, Billoo Ltd granted a 10-year lease on the property to Toolilly Ltd, charging a premium of £60,000 and annual rent of £24,000, payable quarterly in advance. Toolilly Ltd will use the property for trading purposes.

Both companies prepare accounts to 31 March each year.

You are required to calculate for the year ended 31 March 2018:

- 1) The property income assessment for Billoo Ltd.
- 2) The trading income deduction for Toolilly Ltd.

1) Property income	£	£
Rent receivable:		
£24,000 x $\frac{7}{12}$		14,000
Add:		
Premium	60,000	
Less: $2\% \times (P \times n - 1)$		
$2\% \times (60^k \times 9)$	(10,800)	
		<u>49,200</u>
Property income assessable		<u>63,200</u>
2) Property income assessable as landlord / length of lease		
$\frac{£49,200}{10} = \underline{\underline{£4,920}}$ deduction for Toolilly		

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5. Zullax Ltd had a trading profit for the year ended 31 December 2017 of £8 million after deducting the following expenditure:
- 1) £250,000 on repairs to a second-hand asset purchased on 17 October 2017. The asset could not be used until these repairs were carried out, and the purchase price was reduced accordingly.
 - 2) Pension contributions of £1.8 million. Contributions of £800,000 were paid in the year ended 31 December 2016.

Briefly explain, with calculations where necessary, how the two items of expenditure will be treated in calculating the taxable trading profit of Zullax Ltd for the year ended 31 December 2017.

	<p>1) Cost of repairs was a capital expense as these repairs were required to be carried out before the asset could be used. The £250,000 of repair cost will be added to the base cost of the asset and will reduce an profit/increase loss on any future sale of the asset. The £250k will therefore be added back when calculating the adjusted profits for y/e 31.12.17</p>	
	<p>2) Pension contributions are an allowable deduction for the calculation of trade profits. However, as only £1 million of contributions were paid in the year, the allowable deduction will be restricted to the amount paid during the accounting period. The remaining £800,000 will be added back when calculating the adjusted profits for the y/e 31.12.17</p>	

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7. Unero Ltd has owned 100% of Segundo Ltd for many years. Both companies prepare accounts to 31 March each year.

On 15 July 2001, Unero Ltd purchased an investment property for £225,000.

On 30 March 2017, Unero Ltd transferred the property to Segundo Ltd when the market value was £360,000 and the indexed cost was £349,650.

On 1 October 2017, Segundo Ltd sold the property for £380,000, incurring legal and professional fees of £5,000.

Calculate the after-tax proceeds on the disposal of the property on 1 October 2017.

Capital gains group i.e. transfer of property on 30 March 2017 at no gain/no loss. Base cost for Segundo Ltd is £225,000 (original cost for Unero Ltd)		
	£	£
Disposal proceeds	380,000	
less: legal & prof fees	<u>(5,000)</u>	
		375,000
less: base cost		(225,000)
less: indexation		
	$£225k \times \frac{273.0 - 173.3}{173.3}$	<u>(129,375)</u>
Taxable gain		<u>20,625</u>
CT @ 19%		£3,918
Net proceeds		375,000
less: CT payable		<u>3,918</u>
After-tax proceeds		<u>371,082</u>

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8. On 1 November 2016 Fillux plc, a trading company which prepares accounts to 31 December, purchased an 18% holding in Gollix Ltd, which is also a trading company, at a cost of £180,000.

In October 2017, Fillux plc accepted an offer from Hulloy Ltd (an unconnected company) to buy the entire 18% shareholding in Gollix Ltd for the current market value of £165,000.

The sale is likely to complete on 3 November 2017, but the solicitors have suggested they could bring the sale forward to 27 October 2017. The market value of Gollix Ltd is not expected to change in the near future.

Fillux plc has substantial capital gains in the year ending 31 December 2017.

Briefly explain why it may be advantageous to Fillux plc to bring the sale forward to 27 October 2017.

	<p style="text-align: center;">UC resident</p> <p>Where a company sells shares in another UC resident company there may be the possibility of the disposal qualifying for the substantial shareholding exemption.</p>	
	<p>Where SSE applies the gain on the sale of the shares is exempt and any losses arising are not allowable losses.</p>	
	<p>For SSE to apply, the vendor company must have held the shares at least 10% of the company's OSC for at least a period of 12 months in the 2 year period prior to the sale.</p>	
	<p>If the sale is brought forward to 27 October 2017, Fillux plc will not meet the conditions</p>	

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for SSE, i.e. will not have held the shares in Bollix Ltd for 12 months and so the loss arising on the sale will be an allowable loss and can be offset against any capital gains arising in the year.

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