

Evidence for Question 4 (a)

Candidate 1

4.a)	<p>A multinational would consider locating in a country with a skilled labour force as they would have more chance of increasing productivity and therefore increasing their chances of profit maximisation with a skilled batch of workers as the workers with high amount of skills would be highly occupationally mobile.</p> <p>A multinational would also consider a country with a high education rate so that they would not have to waste scarce resources educating their workforce.</p> <p>It would also consider locating in a country where the Government would offer them financial assistance through subsidies so they can increase their profit margin.</p>	
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	They would also consider locating in a country	
	where labour costs are cheap so that they	
	could avoid large labour costs in their	
	country of origin.	
	They would also consider locating in a	
	country where they would be able to	
	penetrate markets in order to	
	avoid trade barriers i.e. the European	
	Union's single market.	

Candidate 7

4.a)	A multinational organisation is a large	
	company with productive assets in	
	more than one country. When	
	choosing a country to locate in, it	
	would consider the language spoken	
	in a particular location - it would be	
	easier to do business there if the	
	same language was spoken. They	

	would also consider the skill of the pool of labour available in the potential location	
	- a skilled work force would be more attractive to produce goods efficiently.	
	If a potential good location has a stable government is a crucial factor when a multinational corporation is locating. Another factor is the proximity to other potential markets when choosing a new location - some MNCs may choose to locate in the UK due to our proximity to the EU.	
	An MNC would also consider their access to cheap labour when locating - they want to ensure high profit margins.	

Evidence for Question 4 (b)

Candidate 2

b)	The implications for the	
	Scottish economy of the UK	
	joining the Eurozone could	
	mean that their currency	
	will be transparent, this means	

that it is harder for producers to rip off the consumer as consumers will be able to see two different prices from the same currency from two different countries.

By joining the Eurozone there is one central bank therefore one size fits all. This means that ~~the~~ ~~country~~ the country has very little control over their interest rates. Therefore if UK was suffering from a high rate of economic growth and a high inflation rate but Italy was wanting to increase their economic growth and wanted a low interest rate to achieve this, this would greatly damage our UK economy.

Candidate 6

4b)	Implications for the Scottish economy	
	joining the Eurozone include free	
	trade. This means that Scotland	
	can trade within the Eurozone at	
	cheaper costs because there's no taxes	
	involved.	
	Another reason is that they are	
	able to have a better trained ^{and skilled} ^	
	workforce because people are able	
	to move to Scotland to work.	
	This increases outputs (Free movement)	
	It also means that Scotland is part	
	of a larger group of countries. This	
	gives them a better international	
	stance and voice, compared with	
	other countries, such as the USA.	

Candidate 5

4b.	If the UK Scottish economy joined the eurozone then
	their currency would be replaced from £ Pounds to
	Euros. One disadvantage of this would be the
	initial transaction costs as it is estimated to ^{it}
	will cost £5 billion to convert to the Euro currency. ^{This will have an opportunity cost as less money will be spent on public services}
	An advantage was ^{would be} that when the UK is trading
	with other EU countries there would be no need to
	change currency and there would be no uncertainty
	in firms' profit due to unpredictable movements
	in the exchange rate. This will provide stability
	for firms and as a result we will trade more
	with There would be less transparency for consumers
	when purchasing other goods from other

	Let Eurozone countries as the firms	
	cannot hide behind the exchange rate. It will	
	make visiting other Eurozone countries easier	
	for consumers since there would be no need to	
	convert currency and they will not lose	
	any money through commission. One disadvantage	
	is the UK will not be setting its own interest	
	rates as the ECB will do that. More UK consumers	
	purchase their house compared to other Eurozone	
	countries such as Germany, so this will make	
	UK consumers more sensitive to changes in the	
	interest rate.	

Evidence for Question 4 (c)**Candidate 2**

c)	A advantage of a floating exchange rate is when the pound is weak this can increase exports as it is cheaper for foreigners to buy our goods and service.	
	On the other hand when the exchange rate for the pound is to high, this makes it cheaper for us to import from other countries,	
	^{and} that to import our essentials as we rely a lot on other countries.	

Candidate 3

<p>c) - There is no need for the government to intervene and hold huge currency reserves. They can therefore direct these resources into other aspects of economic policy, eg creating growth.</p>	
<p>- In a floating exchange rate the balance of payments is self correcting. For example if demand for UK exports rises the value of sterling rises causing demand for exports to fall causing the value of sterling to fall and so on. This means less costly government intervention would be required in terms of trade barriers to correct the balance of payments.</p>	