## Mini-task: Tables, charts and graphs

## Summarising what charts show

Q 1. In a tourist attraction, the different kiosks keep track of their takings over the six-week summer period. The bar charts below show the takings for each kiosk over the six weeks:





## Match each of the following sentences to the right chart

1 The takings increased steadily over the six weeks.
2 The takings decreased slightly over the six weeks.
3 The takings over the six weeks were very variable from week to week.
4 The takings stayed more or less constant over the six-week period.
2. Write your own summary to describe what each of these charts show:

Q 2(a) Tim's mark in his first year module tests


Q 2(b) Sally's diet chart

3. For each of these charts, decide which of the statements given is NOT true:


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| (a) The temperature was hottest in July |
| and August. |
| (b) The temperature was coldest in |
| October. |
| (c) June was hotter than May. |
| (d) The temperature in September was |
| the same as the temperature in July. |
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(a) The family's leisure expenses were more than their food expenses.
(b) The family spent least on clothes
(c) The family spent about a quarter of their expenditure on car related costs.
(d) The family spent most on rent.

(a) The company profits increased over the first five years.
(b) The profits rose by roughly the same amount each year.
(c) The company profits more than doubled over the five years.
(d) The profits were nearly $£ 10,000$ in year 5 .
4. Think about roughly what shape the charts will be that show each of these:

4(a) The number of club members at a tennis club gradually increased between 2000 and 2007.

4(b) The number of products made in a new factory rose slowly at first and then increased more quickly after the first three months.
4(c) House prices in a town remained constant for the first half of the year but fell slightly in the second half.
4(d) School attendance was good in the autumn and spring terms but dropped noticeably in the summer term.
Draw a sketch for each, label the axes and give it a title.
You won't be able to put in numbers as you don't have any data.

## Tables, charts and graphs - Answer sheet

Q 1. The sentences match best to the following charts:
Sentence 1
Sentence 2
Chart D
Chart B
Sentence 3
Sentence 4
Chart C
Chart A

Q 2. You may have written something like these summaries:
2(a) Tim's module tests improved over the year.
2(b) Sue lost weight steadily over the six months.
3. The following are the statements that are NOT true:

3(a) Statement (d) is not true. The temperature in September was lower than the temperature in July.

3(b) Statement (a) is not true. The family's leisure expenses were less than their food expenses.
3(c) Statement (b) is not true. The profits rose by more in years 4 and 5 .

Q 4. The charts that you have sketched might look something like this:


If you represent these items as graphs rather than bar charts, they would roughly be these shapes:





Note: The answers that you got may be slightly different for sections 2 and 4 as there is not one right answer.

Is there anyone you can share your thinking with and/or run your answers by?

